



November 2013 Asides

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov. 14, 2013	Board Meeting	5:00
	Half Hour Happy Hour	6:30
	General Meeting	7:00
Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2013	Holiday Party - Palo Verde	
Thursday, Jan. 9, 2014	Board Meeting	5:00
	Half Hour Happy Hour	6:30
	General Meeting	7:00
Thursday, Feb 13, 2014	Board Meeting	5:00
	Half Hour Happy Hour	6:30
	General Meeting	7:00
Thursday, March 13, 2014	Board Meeting	5:00
	Half Hour Happy Hour	6:30
	General Meeting	7:00
Tuesday, Apr. 8, 2014	Annual End-Of-Year Dinner – Palo Verde	

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Thespians:

Your SLCT Board of Directors has been hard at work trying to make our Community Theatre a cooperative effort that adds value to all those who participate and enjoyment to the community we entertain. At the same time your Board has fiduciary responsibilities as a recognized 501(c) 3 non-profit entity to adhere to the “Articles of Incorporation”, the Bylaws and our Policies and Procedures. In addition, we have been examining SLCT financials in consultation with the Lorie D. Blum, CPA, and CFP. The Board has established a workable budget that may help secure some grants down the road but more importantly will provide us with a better picture to view our revenue, assets, and expenditures from year to year. We have a performance schedule with potential directors that will take us through year 2015. We are also looking into our insurance coverage and trying to get some classes together for the upcoming year. We also serve as a sounding board for directors to discuss problems and solutions as they arise.

Since I mentioned directors I must give praise to Sandy Pallett and the entire cast and crew of “Polter-Heist” for their success and innovation in putting on a dinner theatre at two locations. For those who don’t realize this a lot of “blood, sweat and tears” goes into a production. SLCT has so many talented people and more are being recruited thanks in part to our presence at all the “Open House” events. A holiday party on December 10th at Palo Verde is being planned so mark your calendars accordingly. More information is to follow.

As a Community Theatre we are trying to involve all the communities within the greater Sun Lakes area. These include but are not limited to dinner theatres at IronOaks; stage performance at Cottonwood; Improv at whoever wants us; Children’s Theatre at Chandler Schools; and Reader’s Theatre at the Renaissance. We are trying to reach out to all who wish to participate. That is why we are a **community** that transcends the obvious boundaries and borders.

Please take note: A “Special Meeting” of the General Membership to amend the current Bylaws is scheduled for 7PM on November 14th at Cottonwood’s Saguaro Room. Please access your copy on the slctinfo.com website and bring it with you as we go through the updates. Perry High School will also be performing at our General Meeting on the 14th. Auditions for Penny’s play will be a 1PM on November 17th in the Cottonwood Saguaro Room.

Thank you all,
Michael

Sun Lakes Community Theatre
Special General Membership Meeting
Held at Cottonwood Meeting Room
October 10, 2013

Opening Comments: Michael Carter opened the meeting with comments on theatre as a way to develop and nourish relationships and connections among people from within the entire Sun Lakes community.

Minutes: A motion to accept minutes from the March 14, 2013 meeting was made, seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report: A motion to accept the Treasure's Report submitted by Kathy Jones was made, seconded and approved.

Entertainment: The cast of "Poltergeist" presented a Snippet of the show through which all of the characters were introduced. Sandy Pallet, the director, introduced others who are working backstage.

Approval of Board Member: The membership approved the appointment of Grace Geisinger to the Board of Directors.

Education: It was announced that it is likely that there will be classes available in acting, set design and construction and technical aspects of theatre.

Spring Production: Penney Petersen will direct "Straight from the Horse's Mouth" to be produced in March 2014 with auditions to be held December 2013. She presented a brief synopsis of the play, casting requirements and introduced members who have already agreed to work backstage.

Children's Theatre: A touring group will present "Horton Hatches an Egg" to kindergarten and first grade classes in the public schools. Roger Edmonds, director, is looking for members who would like to act or help in some other capacity with the show.

Improvables: This improvisation group meets to practice and learn new skills, but they also have a great time while doing so. The Improvables have many performances lined up and the proceeds will go to SLCT.

Open Houses: SLCT will participate in three open houses. It's an excellent opportunity to recruit new members.

A & A: A question was raised about how the decision was made regarding the number of persons to be seated at each table at the dinner theatre production. Director Sandy Pallett explained that in consultation with Oakwood Food and Beverage it was deemed necessary to limit maximum seating to 10 per table to allow necessary room between tables for dinner service and movement of the actors.

Next meeting: The next meeting will be held November 14, 2013 with entertainment to be provided by the area High School Drama Departments.

Horton

We still need a few more cast members for our Children's Theater. This is a wonderful opportunity to have a great time. Most of our shows will be in Jan., Feb., and March. You will still be able to sign up with me at our October SLCT meeting. It would be a shame if we had to cancel the season.

Roger Edmonds

We would like to thank everyone who attended the Polter-Heist show and to those who helped make the show possible...We had a great run..

Sandy Pallett and Grace Geisinger

"A slide show from Polter Heist has been loaded onto the SLCT website. Go to www.slctinfo.com and click on the Photos tab. Thank you to Roger Edmonds for his pictures. "

JIMN

Basha HS to Present Aida on November 14 -16.

Basha High School will present Elton John and Tim Rice's Aida, This is a lavish musical with Tony Award winning music and elaborate ancient Egyptian costumes. Cost for Seniors is \$5.00. Let's support these young people as they have put in a tremendous amount of work. Show starts at 7:00 PM at Basha High School.

Help. The following prop is needed for *Horton Hatches the Egg*. We need a brightly colored, hollow paper mache egg. If you think you might be able to make such an object please contact Roger Edmonds



The ImproVables are very hard at work, practicing and planning for our upcoming shows this season.

Our next major show will be at **Phase One (Sun Lakes Country Club) on Friday, November 15.**

It will be in the Arizona Room, with 4:30 pm cocktails, 5 pm dinner and 6:15 pm show time!

Dinner is a baked potato bar, with a Caesar salad and a cheesecake tart for dessert. All of this for only \$13!!

If any of you have not seen one of our shows, we encourage you to get tickets and support your fellow theatre members!! We are working hard; helping to get SLCT's name out there in our community and spreading laughter and goodwill.

We have upcoming shows in Cottonwood and Oakwood and another one later in the year at Phase One. In addition, we will be performing for a JCC senior group in Chandler in February.

We will also be performing a shortened version of a show at SLCT's holiday party in December.

Do you belong to any organization or group that needs entertainment? Let us know!

Phyllis Novy



SLCT HOLIDAY PARTY

You are invited to the annual SLCT Holiday Party at Palo Verde on December 10th. Please join fellow theatre lovers for holiday spirits, a sumptuous feast, wonderful entertainment, and pictures with Santa.

Send your check to Kathy Jones,
By Wednesday, November 27th
The price is \$24 per person

Cocktails 5:30 p.m

Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Menu:

Caesar Salad

Chicken Cordon Bleu

Grilled Vegetable Medley

Roasted Red Potatoes

Warm Rolls and Butter

Chocolate Grasshopper Mousse

Coffee and Ice Tea

Please indicate vegetarian



Straight from the Horse's Mouth March 5- 9

A comedy featuring a horse we never see comes in March. It takes place in a real estate office where the horse is hidden away so a mobster doesn't find it. A wheeler-dealer real estate agent, a horse trainer, a sinister psychiatrist, and other assorted unusual characters fill out the plot.

AUDITIONS: Sunday, Nov. 17 1:00 Saguaro Room, Cottonwood

Rehearsals begin Tuesday, Jan. 2, and for the most part are Tues & Thurs 5-8 & Sunday 1-4 with a few Wednesdays in the afternoon. There are 8 women and 7 men in the cast.

The play will be directed and produced by Penny Petersen with Diana Nelinson as her associate. For information, contact Penny or Diana.

SLCT is a Well-Wired Organization

Please visit the SLCT website at <http://www.slctinfo.com/>. It has information on upcoming productions, club history, past productions, photo slideshows, and much more. It even has a Resources page full of links to job descriptions of all SLCT roles, our bylaws, and other important information. It also has a button on the home page to connect you to our Facebook account and a button that points to an up-to-date calendar of scheduled SLCT events. If you have ever had a question about anything in SLCT, this is the place to go. See you there.