



November 2014 Asides



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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Please Note New Start Time For Our
Regular 2014 Meetings

November 13, 2014 6-6:30 Cocktails
6:30 Meeting

November 18, 2014 Dinner and Improv Show
4:30 Cocktails
5:00 pm Dinner
6:15 Showtime

November 19 – 23, *Murder at the Howard Johnson’s*
December 9, 2014 **Holiday Party at Palo Verde**

I would like to thank all those wonderful people that helped make Trouble at the Tropicabana a success...those that helped put it all together and those who supported the show by attending...it does take a village!!!

Sandy Pallett



President's Message

Please plan to attend our November 13th general meeting in the San Tan Ballroom. We have some very talented high school students performing and will learn more about Murder at the Howard Johnson's.

Our membership challenge is on. We are asking **all** members to bring in at least one new member by January. As mentioned in the last Asides growth is the key to generating new ideas, getting more folks involved in what we do and providing the organization with financial support both in attendance at our productions and through membership dues. Please help out.

Bravo to the cast and crew of Trouble at the Tropicabana. The run was most successful and the audiences loved it! So many used the word 'fun' to describe their theatre experience. In fact one lady said, "This is the most fun I have had since moving into Sun Lakes in May of this year!"

SLCT put on two great shows in a row and are about to perform a third production, Murder at the Howard Johnson's. I hope you all have tickets for this one too. It promises to be delightful.

This year seems to have been an especially challenging one health-wise for many of our members and their immediate families. As an SLCT family, we make every effort to inform you and to let folks know that we are thinking of them. Often this is done through an e-mail blast in order to keep information timely to our membership. We hope you find this helpful.

Take the time to visit the SLCT website. New to our group? New as a director? Wonder what we put on in the past? Want to read our By-laws? All this can be found on the website and so much more.

See you all at the November general meeting, 6:00-6:30 for cocktails in the San Tan Ballroom!

Our dear friend and member Linda Caton underwent surgery on her back recently and is home. We are happy to report she is doing well and wish her continued success in her recovery.



Tickets are on sale now for “Murder At The Howard Johnson’s” and will continue being sold every Tuesday and Thursday at the Saguaro Room foyer and every Wednesday in the Oakwood Country Club lobby from 10 AM until 1 PM. The rehearsals are going great and this show stands to be one of SLCT’s funniest and most memorable shows. It has been my honor to direct this show and have an outstanding cast. Joyce Recupido is Arlene Miller, Harlie Youngblood is Paul Miller, Bill Munn is Mitchell Lovell DDS and Veda Baack is the Howard Johnson maid. If you’re waiting to buy tickets, stop waiting and purchase a seat or two. The show runs November 19th through the 22nd at 7 PM and November 23rd at 2 PM.

Synopsis for “Murder At The Howard Johnson’s”
Written by Ron Clark and Sam Bobrick

This witty comedy takes place during one year at an iconic Howard Johnson’s Motor Inn. Mitchell Lovell is the Miller’s dentist who while filling Arlene Miller’s tooth, begins an inappropriate relationship with his patient. Likewise Arlene who has recently expanded her interests from soap operas and magazines to books, feels there’s a world out there that’s more interesting than just being a stay at home wife...so the affair begins developing into love, but now the question is what to do about Paul Miller. The loving husband works 7 days a week to give his wife what ever she want, except a divorce.... And so the plots begin, all is fair in love?...Even murder? Well, this becomes the question asked during multiple murder plots bungled by this trio attempt after attempt. This beautifully written show will have you laughing long after the final curtain.

Improvables November Show

The ImproVables are back up to full force after a summer off and excited about entertaining you! A November 18 “Dinner and Improv Show” is scheduled at Sun Lakes Country Club in the Arizona Room. Cocktail hour is at 4:30 p.m., dinner will be served at 5 p.m., showtime is at 6:15.

The menu is hot soups, cold salads and a delicious dessert, all for \$13. That price includes the show.

If you’ve never seen The ImproVables, you’re in for a treat! Their edgy ad-lib comedy features plenty of audience involvement. If you’ve seen them before, this show will contain all new material and, as usual, some real belly laughs and a few surprises.

Tickets are available at Administrative Services in Phase I. Questions? Call 480-895-9270 ext. 128.



AUDITIONS

A Civil War re-enactment, a Petting Zoo with a few live animals (and some stuffed) and a Beauty Pageant with very thinly disguised animosity. Sound like fun? Then you will definitely want to audition for SLCT's spring show, *Southern Hospitality*.

There are parts for five men and eight women. ALL parts are open, no pre-casting. There are many new zany characters as well as old *Dearly Beloved* favorites.

Auditions will be held Dec. 13 at 1 p.m. in Cottonwood A-6. The show runs March 10 through March 14.

I am also looking for members to help with the production. There are many opportunities behind the scenes. Come out and join our *Southern Hospitality* family.

For more information or to pick up a script, call Howard Hummel, 541-514-0000.

Scripts will also be available at the SLCT general meeting, Nov. 13.



The Improvables

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.

Upcoming Shows

Dinner and Improv Show, Sun Lakes Country Club in the Arizona Room, cocktail hour 4:30 pm, dinner 5:00pm, showtime 6:15 pm

AAUW Holiday Show, Saturday, December 6, 2014, in Oakwood at 12:30

Oakwood Ladies 99ers, Tuesday, December 9, 2014, in Oakwood at 1:00

Oakwood Show, Thursday, January 22, 2015, in Oakwood time, TBA

Sun Lakes Country Club (Phase One), March 24, 2015

SLCT currently sends out periodic email blasts to provide general information about SLCT activities and would also like to send notifications about any theatre related events in the area. As an example, since we have been donors to the drama departments of the Chandler high schools, it is important that we support them with our attendance at their productions. Similarly, we have SLCT members who are occasionally involved in productions outside of Sun Lakes and it would be encouraging to support them with our attendance as well. If you know of any of these, please let us know by emailing the information to info@slctinfo.com

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.

**Sun Lakes Community Theatre
General Membership Meeting
Held in the San Tan Ballroom- Cottonwood
October 9, 2014**

Call to Order: Sandy Bocynesky called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Approval of Minutes of the March 13, 2014 Meeting: Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes as printed.

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

Introduction of New Members and Guests: Four new members and one visitor introduced themselves. **Survey Results:** Jim Nielsen reported that 91% of the 189 respondents were satisfied. Kinds of shows most favored were comedies, followed by dinner theatre, musicals, drama, improv, old time radio and readers' theatre. Most of the respondents found out about our shows through the Splash or from friends.

Membership Challenge: Sandy B. recapped the highlights of what SLCT does and how it benefits members and community. She then challenged everyone to bring in one new member by January.

Trouble at the Tropicabana Update: Sandy Pallett reported that there are still 105 tickets to be sold. Sun Lakes I is sold out. Talk to Jim Nielsen about buying tickets tonight. The show is a comedy/murder mystery. She added that our shows make people happy. In addition, there are many opportunities for people who do not want to act to be involved.

Snippet of Trouble at the Tropicabana: Rather than showing the usual type of snippet, each cast member asked a trivia question about the I Love Lucy show for the members to answer. The presentation ended with a conga line.

Murder at the Howard Johnson's Update: Diana Nelinson introduced the cast members and reported that rehearsals are going well. She announced there are sign-up sheets for tickets and ushers. Tickets will go on sale October 21.

Request for Ticket Sellers for Murder at the Howard Johnson's: Grace Geisenger reported that ticket sellers are needed for the show.

Announcements:

SLCT Scholarship: Roger Edmunds announced SLCT will provide a \$500 scholarship to a selected drama student from one of the four high schools.

Children's Theatre: Roger announced we are working on a show and will begin performing in January. Cast members are still needed.

Membership Director: Jim Nielsen announced that the directories are being done electronically because hard copy outdates right after printing. If anyone is having trouble with their documents they are to see him.

July 2014 Show: Linda Caton announced that What the Bellhop Saw was very well received.

Improv: Phyllis Novy announced the Improv group performed in July for the Annual Theatre Education National Convention and was given a wonderful reception. Their newsletter described our group as "skilled and professional."

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.