



April 2017 Asides

NOTES FROM THE BOARD

I am amazed at the outstanding services that SLCT brings to all of Sun Lakes, surrounding communities, and nearby schools by offering exciting live performances that delight audiences and model a lifelong love of theatre! The awesome commitment and enthusiastic team efforts of the SLCT membership are matched by the obvious camaraderie and fun shared! As a Board Member for the coming year, I am thrilled at the opportunity to help SLCT to continue and grow these unique experiences. I am particularly interested in helping to develop new and innovative ways for SLCT to increase our membership, to obtain funding from grants, donors, and sponsors so that we can expand our outreach to schools and neighbors, and to find new and exciting ways to involve the entire membership in creative and fun endeavors. I thank ALL of you for these opportunities.



Carol Horowitz

The sitting VP asked the newest board members for a "SHORT" paragraph expressing our excitement about being on the Board.

Being the pragmatic realist that I am, I cannot convey a "Shangri-La" story. **There is work to be done.** Now, lest I sound like a gloom and doomer let me clarify that I see that the SLCT does a number of things exceptionally well, and there is a boatload of things that we are pretty ok at,....but there ARE a couple of things that we have got to work at improving on. Unfortunately, learning/growing and improving require time/effort and energy.

I know of very few people that are enthusiastic about taking care of the necessary non-fun things that need to be done. But we need to take care of this critical business in order to allow ourselves to continue moving forward.

I ask for your continued support/encouragement & input as we strive to elevate SLCT productions to a level that we have yet to experience. And look forward to sharing with you a more detailed version of my vision in May after Kathy and I return from our Mexican Cruise April 10th - 15th.

Fraternally,
Rick



Date	Event	Location
April 13, 2017	Variety Show	San Tan Ballroom

Many of you heard this at our March Meeting, but for those who were not in attendance I'd like to share the success of our children's theatre with you. Horton Hears A Who was played to approx. 4,000 students and 150 staff. By the time we perform it for the last time at Linda Caton's Easter Parade, we will have played it 35 times. We had a very successful run, and I am so grateful for the cast and their enthusiasm. I encourage any theatre member to think about joining us next season as we do Horton Hatches an Egg, it not only gives you the opportunity to bring joy to the students, it'll warm your heart.

Sandy Bocynesky





"LET US ENTERTAIN YOU...!!!"

SLCT General Meeting: Thursday, April 13

Happy Half Hour and Ice Cream Sundae Bar: 6:00 pm

Meeting and Variety Show: 6:30 pm

You don't want to miss SLCT's final meeting of the year! In addition to the regular meeting we will have the premiere of The SLCT Variety Show! This show will be presented by our own brave and talented friends and fellow members of SLCT and will include comedy, songs, tap dances, more songs, monologues, and surprises. Our MC will be Dennis Dannehl. The show is produced by Roger Edmonds and Phyllis Novy.

We owe a big thank Wanda Johnson, who and music for the thank you goes to Janowski for creating this upcoming the prior meetings this



you to Dave Stevens and are working hard on sound Variety Show. A special Sandy Pallett and Judie a fun and unique decor for meeting as well as for all of past year.

In addition (and who can resist this?) we will have a Special Ice Cream Sundae Bar prior to the meeting. What a sweet treat!

So plan on coming to the meeting on Thursday, April 13. Happy Half Hour (and ice cream sundae time) begins at 6:00 pm and the meeting and Variety Show will start at 6:30 pm.

Be sure to attend and support our own in-house talent!!



Our FALL 2017 play, **BEAU JEST**, written by James Sherman, a hilarious romantic comedy was a phenomenal hit Off-Broadway and became a movie in 2008! Directed by Carol Horowitz, the storyline centers around Sarah, a young, single Jewish woman with strong family ties, who is dating a non-Jewish man, Chris Cringle, who she fears will not meet with her very traditional parents' approval. So, she invents the "ideal" boyfriend to please her parents, a Jewish doctor no less! When they insist on meeting him, she employs an escort service to send her a Jewish date to pretend to be the boyfriend. Instead, they send Bob Schroeder, a non-Jewish aspiring actor who agrees to impersonate the perfect, "every-Jewish-Mother's-dream", Dr. Steinberg. As the zany, hysterically funny complications escalate, the outcome becomes increasingly unpredictable.

The 3-act play includes for 5 male and 5 female actors.
ADDITIONAL ACTORS and SINGERS WILL ALSO BE NEEDED!

"ED SULLIVAN" will serve as an announcer for this *really big* show, and "DINAH SHORE" will sing her famous Chevrolet theme song and will welcome the audiences. Old black and white TV commercials from the 50's and 60's will be recreated and shown before each act begins.

The actors, who will be filmed for the commercials will interact live, on-stage, with their on-screen "alter-egos" as we travel back to yesteryear.

These brief commercials are designed to be INCLUSIVE OF EVERYONE regardless of your ability to memorize scripts and everyone interested in ACTING or in SINGING (solo or in groups) is encouraged to audition!

AUDITIONS will be held on April 22nd in Cottonwood – Room #A6.
2:00pm – Auditions for BEAU JEST
3:00pm – Auditions for Old 50's & 60's TV Commercial

To obtain a BEAU JEST script* please contact **Carol Horowitz**,
at **480-895-0236** or email horowitz@windstream.net.
(*Scripts will NOT be needed for those auditioning for the TV commercials.)

Rehearsals will start in early September, right after Labor Day.
Ticket sales will begin in mid-October.

ADVANCED ACTING CLASS OFFERED THIS FALL!

By popular demand we will be offering the Advanced Acting class on Saturday mornings, beginning this September! Former students and other SLCT members have stated that they do not want to wait a whole year to take this powerful and popular acting class. Karen Burns, our terrific teacher, will once again teach this class. It will be a 6 week class and will focus on the art of acting with emphasis on character development, monologues, and scene study.



Advanced Acting is for the serious and committed actor who has had significant roles in plays and has strong memorization skills. Both former students as well as new students are encouraged to take this class in order to sharpen and perfect their skills.

The class will meet in Oakwood in the Ballroom. Classes will begin on Saturday, Sept 9 and run through Saturday, October 21, with a break on Saturday, October 14 in order to rehearse with scene partners. The meeting times are 10:00 am until 12 noon.

Call Phyllis at 480-895-5961 for more information and to register.

High School Drama Productions

I am encouraging all SLCT members to support our local schools drama department. Here is a list of upcoming productions. **All start at 7:00 p.m.**

Basha High School	Peter Pan & Wendy	April 6 – 8
Perry High School	Mary Poppins	April 13 April 20, 21, 22

Note: Perry always sells out so you need to contact the school before you go.

April 13 SLCT Meeting

Our April 13 meeting will feature performances by our own members. We will call it a variety show rather than a talent show. We are encouraging members to participate. This can be a solo, a group song, all men that sing or good at lip sync will perform followed by our talented ladies. Also, monologues, duo or scenes from a play are acceptable. Please let Phyllis Novy or Roger Edmonds know of your intentions.

Finally, for all music numbers, if you will need back up music you need to make arrangement with Dave Stevens before the end of March.

Readers for San Tan Elementary

I would like to complete the list of SLCT members who wish to volunteer to read a story for the kindergarteners at San Tan Elementary School. The teacher will provide a book for you to read. If interested please let Roger Edmonds know.

SUN LAKES COMMUNITY THEATRE' GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SAN TAN BALLROOM, COTTONWOOD March 9, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order: Sandy Pallett, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Approval of January 12, 2017 General Membership Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Diane Siems and seconded by Jo Birlin to approve the January 13, 2017 General Membership Meeting Minutes as written.

Approval of February 9, 2017 General Membership Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Penny Petersen and seconded by Diana Nelinson to approve the February 9, 2017 General Membership Meeting Minutes as written.

Board of Directors Elections: Jim Janowski announced the two candidates running for the Board of Directors. He also asked if there any nominees from the floor. There were none. Penny Petersen made a motion to approve Carol Horowitz and Rick Whitney by acromion. The General Membership approved the motion.

Chamber of Commerce: Sandy Pallett asked if there were any members who would like to assist her with working with the Chandler Chamber of Commerce. Please let her know

Talent Show: Members were reminded that the April 13, 2017 Membership Meeting will be a Talent Show.

2017 Fall Play: Bo Jest will run from November 14 – 18.

Improvables: The ImproVables have two more shows that they will be doing.

Fun Script Reading Group: The first Fun Script Reading Group in the evening was a huge success.

Behind the Scene's Awards: Sandy Pallett presented awards to all of the members who do not Direct or Act, but worked behind the scenes.

Horton Hears a Who: The cast of Horton Hears a Who was performed by the Children's Theatre. Sandy Bocynsky introduced all members who performed in Horton. The Children's Theatre performed Horton 35 times at 25 different schools in the Chandler area.

Aspirin and Elephants: Cast of Aspirin and Elephants did a short snippet of the Spring Show.

Attention All Committee Chairs:

I will be maintaining the on-line calendar on our website, www.slctinfo.com so we can have a central and accurate place to be able check on up-coming events

and dates. Please email me, Barry Berger, at lumenprobb@yahoo.com with meeting, performance and any other dates you might feel are pertinent.

Barry Berger



All Financial Data is now available on the SLCT Website.
Type in the following Website Address.
slctinfo.com/generalarchives. Click on the Financial Folder. It
will drop down. Click on the file you want to review.

Kathy Jones

As the Sunshine person on the board, I look forward to keeping you informed of different events. If you have any life-cycle information for our fellow Theatre Group members, births, deaths, illness, graduations, please contact me at lumenprobb@yahoo.com or (480)883-2071.

Barry Berger

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.

Jim Nielsen

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