



May 2017 Asides

NOTES FROM THE BOARD

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT...Phyllis Novy

First of all, I am both excited and honored to be president of Sun Lakes Community Theatre. It is a privilege to be working with such a talented and active board. I am hoping that more of our members will consider running for our board in the future. It is a challenging and rewarding experience.

We had a great year last year; with great shows, fun meetings and newly formed committees that functioned beautifully. I particularly enjoyed working on the Program and Education committee. Our classes were very well attended and very successful. The meetings were a lot of fun. April's new Variety Show and ice cream sundae social was super. We received so many accolades and some people have already indicated that they want to be a part of it next year!

I have a lot of ideas for next year and so does our board. We are sure that you have ideas, too. Be sure to see me, or email me, and join us in making these ideas into realities.

I would like to see SLCT continue to grow from within our Sun Lakes Community. I want to continue to publicize our shows and have even stronger turnouts for them. I want to continue to have well-attended meetings, classes, and programs. We have an

incredible full season of shows coming up and that is something to be proud of.

We have a vital line up of active committees, some of which have need of more members. I am issuing a CALL TO ACTION!! Please consider being even more involved with our organization. If you are on a committee, join another one! Try auditioning for a show. Offer to help backstage, build sets, sell tickets, usher for shows, work on the publicity committee, help with set up and tear down for shows, take an acting class just for fun, join the Fun Script Reading group. There are so many ways in which you can participate in SLCT and have a lot of fun doing so.

Take out your calendar and save this date: Wednesday, August 16, 4:00 pm. This will be our annual Summer Cool Down Social. This year it will be at the Poolside Cafe in IronOaks. More information will be coming your way.

"See you at the theatre!"

Phyllis Novy

SLCT Board for 2017-2018:

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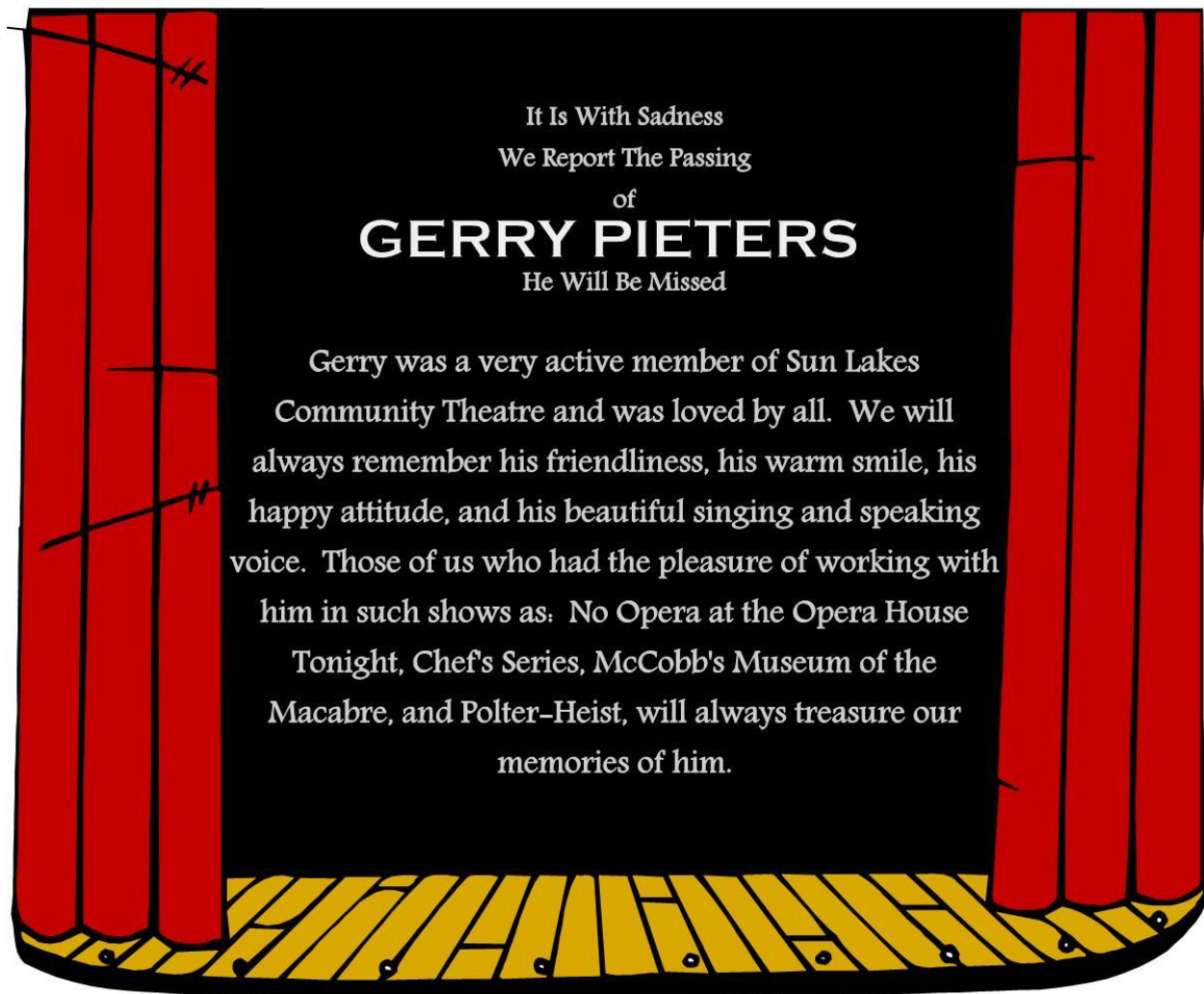
**Sun Lakes Community Theatre Calendar
May 2017 – April 2018**

Hallelujah Girls Summer Show	July 23 (dark July 24 & 25) Then runs from July 26 - 29	San Tan Ballroom
Advanced Acting Class	Saturday, Sept. 9 – Oct. 21 from 10:00 am – noon	IronOaks Ballroom
General Membership Meeting	Oct. 12, 6:00 pm	San Tan Ballroom
General Membership Meeting	Tuesday, Nov. 7 DATE CHANGE THIS MONTH DUE TO OPENING OF Beau Jest	San Tan Ballroom
Beau Jest		
Holiday Party	Dec. 12	PaloVerde Restaurant
General Membership Meeting	Jan. 11, 2018, 6:00 pm	San Tan Ballroom
General Membership Meeting	Feb. 8, 2018, 6:00 pm	San Tan Ballroom
General Membership Meeting	March 8, 2018, 6:00 pm	San Tan Ballroom
“Tony Lou Awards” Spring Show	March 20, 2018 – March 24, 2018	San Tan Ballroom
General Membership Meeting and Variety Show	April 12, 2018	San Tan Ballroom



Mark your calendars for August 16, 2017. That is the date for our Summer Cool Down Social which will be held this year at Poolside in Oakwood from 4PM until 7PM. It will be a great opportunity to have a drink and snacks with your friends and perhaps get to know some of our newer members. We will have all of Poolside to ourselves with a bartender. More details will be

announced in future Asides.



Hospitality Committee

The Hospitality Committee is excited about the warm reception we received from the members of the Community Theater this year, as we made an effort to keep each of you informed about our club activities. Greeting you as you came through the door has been fun as we learned to know each of you better. Hopefully you felt welcome and eager to be part of the group. Our reminder calls helped everyone remember our monthly meetings and attendance is up.

Thank you to the members of the committee: Joan Berger, Sandy Ilsen, Cindi Decker, Andrea Pearson and Joan Kilmartin. Each of you did an outstanding job and I genuinely thank you for your work. Since we were so well received, it would be appropriate to continue another year. We could use a few more volunteers to work with us at the Welcome Table and help with the committee work, so please give me a call if you would like to be part of our committee. Thanks so much. Chris Roen, 480-786-6969.

SAVE THE DATE

"THE HALLELUJAH GIRLS"

July 23 - Sunday (2 pm Matinee)

July 26, 27, 28, 29 (7 pm Shows)

SAN TAN BALLROOM

The cast has been picked, the extras are being notified, John Crawford & team are working on the set (the color this time is going to be periwinkle), Dave, Maryann Stevens and Bob Hollar for sound and Norm Harris and MJ Clement on the lights are all up for the task. Now all we have to do is practice, practice and practice.

Summer shows are always hard to sell with so many homeowners gone to cooler places, scheduled vacations / cruises and then there's the *HEAT*. So please pass on this information to all your friends and neighbors because this is truly a funny play that's loaded with some of our great actors and actresses. Not to mention that, we at SLCT always needs as much money as we can get our hands on! It's a good thing!! Tickets are still only \$16. Location of ticket sales will be decided by Jim Nielsen.

We still need some help: House Manager, Publicity, another Stage Manager, Ushers, Ticket Sellers.....if interested in helping (or for a good time), please call Linda 298-2658.



PLAY READING COMMITTEE 101

by Michael Carter

The purpose of the Play Reading Committee simply is to review scripts that are submitted by SLCT directors (and other interested parties) to be determined by the Committee as to whether or not it is suitable for production before a Sun Lakes Community audience. That being stated, the guidelines for evaluating and reviewing scripts are as follows: Subject matter should not contain anything that could be offensive to Sun Lakes audiences; Subject matter should be relevant to Sun Lakes audiences; Consideration of the size of the space and set design is also taken into consideration. More information appears on our slctinfo website under the heading of "resources".

Play Reading Committee participation is a crucial factor for a successful production of a play submitted to it by an SLCT director. Every committee

member has an obligation to review each play and report back to the chairperson their evaluation. The committee is basically the gatekeeper for the theatre. It is a three year responsibility and obligation that is taken seriously.

Once the committee receives a play read request the fun begins. As the play review is underway a decision is made by each committee member evaluating its suitability for the Sun Lakes audience and if there is a tie decision the committee will convene to go over and talk out their evaluations. At times the director will also have input into the committee and hash out differences of opinions. Not an easy process but it does require an air and platform for further discussion.

ADVANCED ACTING CLASS RETURNS!!

The Advanced Acting Class is returning in September by popular demand!! Those class members who took it last year did not want to wait another whole year to take it again! It was such a fun, challenging and worthwhile class. Our instructor, Karen Burns, encourages her students to understand character and relationships within a scene, to react, to live in the moment, and to apply these to the various components of monologue and scene study.

It is a very valuable class for those actors who are serious about acting and who have had significant roles in shows. "You can never stop learning and practicing the art of acting!!"

Advanced Acting will run on Saturday mornings, September 9 through October 21, from 10 am until noon. (There is no class on Sat. Oct. 14 in order to allow scene partners time to rehearse their scenes.)

Email Phyllis Novy if you want to sign up for the class. phyllismyers@yahoo.com



SAVE THE DATE for our **FALL 2017 play, **BEAU JEST:****

NOVEMBER 14, (*Matinee*) and NOVEMBER 15-18, (*Evenings*)

Written by James Sherman and directed by Carol Horowitz, *BEAU JEST* is a hilariously zany romantic comedy that was a phenomenal hit Off-Broadway and became a movie in 2008!

Be prepared to laugh!

Even the auditions were a ton of laughs!!!! Thanks to all the MANY members of SLCT who had fun auditioning! Congratulations to the cast of the play and to the cast of the ensemble who will re-enact the old TV commercials that will precede each of the three acts! What an amazingly talented membership!

Rehearsals will start in early September, right after Labor Day.

Ticket sales will begin in mid-October.

Please mark your calendars!



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

Novy 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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