

January 2020 Asides



WHAT A WONDERFUL YEAR SLCT HAS HAD!

The Children's show, *Horton Hears a Who*, got rave reviews at the shows at 28 Chandler elementary school where many children were able to experience live theater for the first time! The mystery dinner show **Eat, Drink and Be Murdered** at the Oakwood Ballroom was a sellout on the first day of ticket sales, and the show was well received. A big thanks to cast and crew! **The Old Time Radio Show** was well attended, even though it was during the summer, and theatergoers "of a certain age" reveled in the nostalgic scenes and old-time dialogue.

Plaza Suite, our fall show, was another great success for Merrie Crawford and the three wonderfully-paired teams of actors, plus the stage and tech teams!

Even though we did not win any of the large "Challenge Grants" in March, there was a great response to our request for donations which we will use to further strengthen our bank account for future purchases and space issues. In addition, SLCT has won another \$8,000 grant from the Arizona Center for the Arts for 2020.

We have recruited many new members who are becoming involved immediately after joining SLCT in supporting our shows by acting and in support positions.

Another accomplishment happened Friday, December 27 when we partnered with Cottonwood to present *Horton Hears a Who* to the Sun Lakes residents.

A special thanks to Sandy Boysnesky, her cast and crew and Linda Caton for all their work to make it happen.

It was wonderful!

This has been a good 2019, and we are anticipating another strong year for SLCT in 2020.

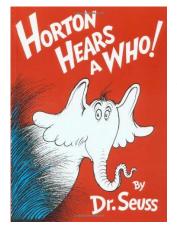
Thank you all for your efforts.

Sandy Pallett

ANOTHER PLUG.....for the May show LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE.

AUDITIONS: Jan 3, 1-4, Navajo Room, SLCC. Why not get involved with something new for SLCT....who knows, it might really be a success! If nothing else, we will have fun trying!!!

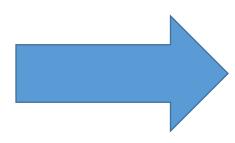
Happy New Year to all Sandy Pallett



Congratulations to the *Horton Hears A Who* actors and magician Diana Nelison on a job well done. We entertained so many folks on a dreary and rainy Friday that unfortunately many decided to stay home and not come to the performance. We had sold the house out but rain kept many away. Those in attendance certainly enjoyed the show. Many positive comments were received by actors as we walked among the crowd greeting the children and parents/grandparents at the end of the show. A big thank you to S. Nolan (SLHOA2) for supporting this joint effort both financially and with the help of Linda's work with ideas that turned into reality for things the children could do and take away from the show. Refreshments, balloonist, show and magic act were a part of it.

Tables with beads for stringing, pages for coloring and dot to dot pages were available for children.

A huge thanks goes to those willing to do the show, work on sound and lights, and work at the tables and they include: Diana N., Jim. N., Jim and Judy J., Mario C., Susan S., Cindi D., Greg P., Jacquie T., Jack M., Donna Q., Sonja W., Norm H., Susan C., Mary V., Linda C., Janet L., Sandy P. and MaryAnn & Dave Stevens
Sandy Bocynesky



The Election of Officers Process

It is that time of the year when members thinking about running for the Board should step up. Let the election committee, (Jim Janowski, Mario Carranza and myself) know your intent. If you feel that you can make a contribution, then we want you. Communication skills, positive attitude, and problem solving are required.

There are currently two open positions to fill. At the February meeting, the candidates will speak about their qualifications. At the March meeting, members will vote for the new officers. If you're interested in running, please send me a letter of intent ASAP to be included in the slate.

Howard



It's time to pay dues again! You may pay your \$20 at the upcoming meeting or mail to: Cindi Decker, 8921 E Olive Lane N, Sun Lakes, AZ 85248

Cindi Decker, Treasurer



Caption: Tech Team and Publicity Team meeting to plan for You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown.

Rear: Ron Fohlmeister, Dave Patterson, Rick Whitney, Jack Mitchell

Middle: Norm Harris, Bill Becker, M.J. Clement Front: Barbie Bergerson and Andrea Hummel

Preparations are underway for SLCT's spring musical, **You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown,** coming to the Oakwood Ballroom on March 4, 5, 6 (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday evenings at 7 pm) and March 7, 8, 9 (Saturday, Sunday, Monday matinees at 1 pm). Co-directors, Howard Hummel and Penny Petersen, have already cast the show, and the talented actors have begun rehearsing their lines and scenes. The Publicity Team (Bill and Andrea) will write several articles for publication, distribute the colorful flyers and 4x4s throughout Sun Lakes, and erect the road signs in early February. The Tech Team is planning its part of the show involving construction of the stage sets and arranging for placements of the lighting and sound, etc. The stage design for the Oakwood Ballroom will start at the small stage at the rear and then risers will thrust out into the room at different heights, creating a large acting space surrounded by the audience on three sides seated on the floor level. In addition, the crew will be constructing colorful, cartoon-like sets, plus a large doghouse for Snoopy, a mock piano for Schroeder, a "psychiatry booth" for Lucy, and a real television. The Tech Team will set up in the area by the entrance to the ballroom where they will provide excellent lighting and sound for this funny and lively show.

Tickets will go on sale electronically at www.slctinfo.com on Monday, February 10, 2020 at 10 am. Box Office (face-to-face) ticket sales will be available on Wednesdays (Feb.12, 19, 26) from 10 am-Noon in Room A-3 at Cottonwood and on Thursdays (Feb.14, 20, 27) from 10 am-Noon at Oakwood in the main lobby. This will be a fun show for the young and young-at-heart, so be sure to buy your tickets when they go on sale in February!

Red Velvet Cake Wars

A reminder that auditions are coming up. Linda Caton will be directing and I will be assistant directing this uproarious play. There are 8 female and 4 male parts and we are thinking of adding two non-speaking characters to the play and their roles can be either male or female.

Auditions will take place on Tuesday, March 31st at 3 PM in Room A-6. Anyone needing a script may contact Linda Caton.

Sunday, July 12th will be a matinee; Wednesday 15- Saturday 18 will be evening performances.

Hope to see you at auditions. Sandy Bocynesky



As the Sunshine person, 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, Barry Berger at lumenprobb@yahoo.com or (480)883-2071.

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



Sun Lakes Community Theatre Calendar			
Auditions for "Laugher is	January 3 ,2020	SLCC	
The Best Medicine"	1-4 pm		
Board Meeting	January 7, 2020,	Oakwood	
	8:00 a.m.		
General Meeting	January 9, 2020	Saguaro Room, Cottonwood	
	6:00 pm social		
	6:30 Meeting		
"You're A Good Man	Dinner Show, 7 pm	Oakwood Ballroom	
Charlie Brown"	March 4-6, 2020		
	Luncheon Show, Noon		
	March 7-9, 2020		
"Laugher is The Best	May 6-10, 2020	SLCC	
Medicine"	4:00 pm Happy Hour		
	5:00 pm Show		
"Red Velvet Cake War"	July 12, 2020 Matinee,	San Tan Ballroom	
	1:00 p.m.		
	July 15 – 18 Evening,		
	7:00 p.m.		

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