

**Sun Lakes Community Theatre
General Membership Meeting
Held in the San Tan Ballroom- Cottonwood
January 15, 2015**

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

Welcome: Sandy B. welcomed new members and guests and explained attendance tonight is low because some SLCT members are in the Doo Op show which opened tonight. Three new members introduced themselves.

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

Treasurer's Report: A motion to postpone acceptance of the Treasurer's Report was made, seconded and approved, since Treasurer Kathy Jones was absent from meeting.

Basha High School: A group of students from Basha High School performed. Roger Edmunds presented SLCT's check for \$1,000 to their Drama Dept.

Membership Drive: President Sandy B. recognized new members who joined as of July 2014 and members joining tonight. She also recognized members who brought new members to SLCT. They were all presented with chocolate candy kisses.

Board Elections: Vice President Jim Nielsen, as Chair of the Nominating Committee announced that the terms of two present Board members, who have served a three-year term, will expire. The election of officers to replace them will take place at our March general meeting. All paid up SLCT members are eligible to vote. Please submit your ideas for candidates to Jim, Phyllis Novy or Janine Schneck who comprise the Nomination Committee.

Show Publicity Chair: Sandy Pallett announced Marcia Stevic has been SLCT's show Publicity Chair for three years, has done an excellent job and a new Chair is needed. Sandy P. will help for the upcoming March show. If interested contact Sandy P. and can work with her during the March show to get acquainted with what is involved.

Another way to publicize shows is to buy a T-shirt with the title and dates of performances printed on it. Shirts for the March show are yellow and will cost \$12 to \$14. Please let Sandy P. know if you are interested. Also, our theatre and shows can be promoted at any club or activity you take part in. Howard Hummel, Director of the March show, will do a snippet at any club meeting. He added that Andrea Hummel does a great job writing articles for the theatre and for shows. Theatre publicity is different from show publicity. Howard also announced to the new members who joined tonight that help is needed in the March show. Irene Blakely needs help sewing and altering costumes; John Blakely needs help with stage set.

Ticket Change Announcement: Jim Nielsen announced he is the new Ticket Manager and has arranged to reduce the usual paperwork by going electronic. He is working with a company so that when we sell tickets each sale will go on line, starting with the March show. On opening day of ticket sales we will continue to have five people selling, but now they will use laptops. After the first day of sales, anyone can go to SLCT's website and buy tickets on-line. This will also make it easier for people outside of Sun Lakes to purchase tickets. Five members will need to be trained on how to sell tickets on line. Jim will hold training classes either the last week in January or the first week in February. Anyone interested, please let him know. A sign-up sheet will be passed around tonight.

Children's Theatre: The play *Horton Hears a Who* is being presented at local elementary schools, directed by Roger Edmunds. There are openings for anyone interested in playing the non-speaking part of an animal.

Comedy Class Opportunity: Sandy P. announced she knows of an instructor of stand-up comedy offered to hold a workshop at Sun Lakes free of charge. Then, for those interested, he will teach classes on five consecutive Saturdays for a charge, at the conclusion of which he would like the participants to perform a comedy show. A sign-up sheet will be passed around tonight for anyone who is interested.

Announcements:

Linda Caton announced that the HOA Board is interested in revamping and improving Cottonwood's sound system in the San Tan Ballroom, the Saguaro Room and Palo Verde. At present the Board is looking into getting bids from various companies. Anyone who has ideas for improvements for SLCT, please see Linda. Carole Hollar asked if we will have printed directories available. Jim Nielsen said printed directories will be available after more members pay their dues.

Summer Play: Roger Edmunds is looking into directing an Old Time Radio Show.

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