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The Newsletter of the Zanesville Community Theatre

Welcome

A new year dawns on a little theater in Zanesville and with it comes a flurry of excitement!! Last season was a blockbuster of success stories and this year looks no different, actually, it looks even better.

It's our 40th season. Can you believe it? We have a lot of wonderful things going for us, and now its time to keep the momentum going. There is much that needs to be done and this year's membership offers the ability and enthusiasm to do it. A first step is this newsletter.

What is happening at the theater? What events are going on? Who's the crew behind the shows? Who is the lead? What about him or her inspired the director to offer them the part? When are the next auditions?

My goal for this newsletter is to keep members informed and offer a venue for new people to get to know us and what we do. I'll be sending it out the first week of every month. I have several names on my mailing list. Please feel free to forward this newsletter on to your friends and family. Print out copies and mail it to those who don't have e-mail. It is an inexpensive way to introduce ourselves to others and to get to know each other, as well.

This newsletter will also include personal achievements of its members, important dates and anniversaries, and other personal notes that includes everyone. Please forward any contributing information, please send it my way. I'm very interested in what you'd like to read about. Let me know. I want this letter to be a success and I'm willing to work at it. My e-mail address is rtollive@columbus.rr.com. I cannot include it if I don't know about it. Please let me know. My

deadline is the last day of each month. If I can't squeeze it in that issue, I'll get it on the next one. Send me info!!

-Shelley Tolliver

Hopping on BOARD

Zanesville Community Theatre recently held its annual meeting to welcome new members and elect the new board. The results are as follows.

President - Richard L. Tolliver

Vice President - Amy Ritchey

Secretary - Jan Kiikka

Treasurer - Carleton B. Underwood

The 12 Members of the Board include:

Rick Milheim

Maury Kenily

Darren Brown

Melanie Von Gunten

Lynn Moyer

Karen Young

Angel Palmer

Mary Jo Dondlinger

Maureen Flora

Roger Touvell

Amy Ritchey

Richard Tolliver

Notes from the New President

Rich Tolliver accepted the nomination with high hopes and aspirations for the theatre. His main goals are to rally new interest and commitment into the theater, tend to the needs of the building, and help produce more shows that we can be proud of. He's already working on ideas on welcoming new members, patrons and participants.

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He is also looking into candidates to fill the needs of the Theatre's committees. The committees that need to be formed are The Building Committee, Finance Committee, Grants Committee, Membership Committee, Nominating Committee, Patron Committee, Play Reading Committee, Social Committee and the By-Laws Committee. If you are interested, please contact him immediately. The sooner we can form teams, the better the productivity! No better time than the present!

One of the biggest issues Richard stressed is commitment. With success comes work and dedication. That effort has to begin at "home". The Board of Directors "directs" the theatre's momentum. Its the strength of ZCT's longevity. If we don't care, who will?

Our 40th Season!

Bringing Back shows from the past 39 years !

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
Directed by Dr. Joe Porter
Auditions : July 7th & 8th - 7 p.m.
Performances : September 13,14, 20, 21 - 8 pm
September 15, 22, 2002 - 2:30 pm

The Wizard of Oz
Directed by Karen Young
Auditions : August 25th & 26 - 7 pm
Performances: November 8, 9, 15, 16 - 8 pm
November 10, 17 - 2:30 pm

The Angel Tree Benefit - The Cowboy II
Directed by Richard Tolliver
Auditions: October 6th & 7th - 7 pm
Performances: December 13, 14 - 8 pm
December 15 - 2:30 pm
All Auditioning Will Be Cast!!

Godspell
Directed by Jan Smith
Auditions: November 24th & 25th - 7 pm
Performances: January 24, 25, 31, February 1- 8pm
January 26, February 2 - 2:30 pm

The Taming of the Shrew
Directed by Mary Jo Dondlinger
Auditions: January 12th & 13th - 7 pm
Performances: March 21,22, 28, 29 - 8 pm
March 23, 30 - 2:30

The Diary of Anne Frank
Directed by Richard Tolliver
Auditions: March 2nd & 3rd -7 pm
Performances May 16, 17, 23, 24 8 pm
May 18, 25 - 2:30 pm

Meet The Director

Dr. Joe Porter Directs "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest!"

We've put together some questions for our Future Directors.

WHY "ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST"?

Dr. Joe Porter writes that he'd "love to try it again"

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE SHOW?

Camelot

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE ROLE?

King Arthur

WHAT IS THE FAVORITE THING YOU'VE DIRECTED?

Cuckoo's Nest

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO THAT YOU

HAVEN'T?

Willy Loman!!!!!!!!!!!!

WHY DO YOU DIRECT?

"I love to create"

A LITTLE ABOUT DR. PORTER

This father of three has an extensive resume, both professionally and personally. He is a retired physician who is also a Medical Missionary. His theatrical resume would include acting in over sixty shows; directing somewhere near 30. An avid golfer, Dr. Porter is also a musician. He enjoys playing the trumpet. As if that weren't enough to keep a person occupied, he is also a published author! His book offers a personable guide on living a life of appreciation.

If you are interested in auditioning for "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest", mark your calendars for July 7 & 8 at ZCT at 7:00 p.m.. The script is an awesome character study for male actors!...not to mention an opportunity for a strong female role.....anyone feeling up to a challenge? For more information please call the theatre at 455-6487!

Positive Promotion

We need to sell Season Program Ads and Patron Packages. Word of mouth is still our best advertisement! Don't be afraid to let the words come from YOUR MOUTH!!! Carl Underwood can fill you in with all the details. Patron Money is vital as it is our start-up money for the new season. Who can I approach, you ask? Friends, family, co-workers, business you patronize. It helps put the community back in community theatre! If you don't ask, who will????

Upcoming Events

And if you are really good.....what show did they open with???

Here's what coming up in the future!

BOARD MEETING

Who? - Everyone - Members New and Old
Where? - Zanesville Community Theatre
When? - Sunday, June 23
Time? - Starts at 5:00 - ends ???
Goals? - Gathering Committee Members
Setting Goals for the new year

HOLIDAY PARTY!

Who? - Everyone - Members New and Old
Where? - Martha Staley's House
When? - Saturday, July 6th
Time? - Starts at 4:00 - ends ???
Goals? - Have a good time!

AUDITIONS for ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST

Who? - Adult Males, Adult Females
Where? - Zanesville Community Theatre
When? - Sunday July 7th & Monday July 8th
Time? - Starts at 7:00 p.m. - ends ???
Goals? - Have a good time!

Pending....

GARDENING PARTY on July 13th

What's Coming Up

Meet the Officers -

Meet our Members - Several new members each issue!
ZCT Trivia - Think about what you know about ZCT

GET TO KNOW US!!!

ZCT Trivia

Do you know what year ZCT took up residence at 940 Findley Avenue???