

## Auditions

*The Last Round-Up of the Guacamole Queens*

Directed by Wendy Koepl  
Nov. 5 & 6 at 2 p.m.

Boise Little Theater Green Room  
Needed: 2 women age 70s - 80s  
2 women age 40s & 60s  
1 man age 40s

Check the BLT website or Facebook page for more information.

## Now Playing

*Dracula*

Directed by Whitney Ulmen  
October 14 - 29

## Next Up

*Miracle on 34th Street, The Play*  
Directed by Cheryl Blauer  
November 25 - December 10

## Membership Meeting

October 17th  
7 p.m.

## Board of Directors

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## Greetings and welcome to the Green Room Gazette.

I'm your host, BLT's John Myers.

It's that time again. Fall has...well...fallen.

Football, sweaters, Halloween, and pumpkin spiced everything! It's also the time to see some theater and BLT has that going on in spades!

**Shelby Bay** and her cast and crew just finished up *The Odd Couple – Female Version*. What an amazingly fun way to start off the season.

**Whitney Ulmen** and her children of the night are hard at work to bring a Halloween classic to the BLT stage... *DRACULA*. And while you may have seen *Dracula* on screen or on stage, you've never seen it like this. Be prepared for spooks and scares perfect for October.

And just to prove that BLT isn't all neurotic roommates and vampires, **Cheryl Blauer** has started rehearsals for *A Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street* with her HUGE cast. And those of you at the last membership meeting know I'm not exaggerating. So start planning your Christmas outing now.

Our January show will have auditions the first week in November, and we are already working on the 2017-2018 season selection. So, I guess the holidays are just around the corner.

Oh yeah... and it's my birthday. (Not really a highlight, but it's in October, so there you go.)

Can't wait for November!

'til next time  
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## Welcome New Board Member Brad Wm. Ooley!

My first show at BLT was in 1982, with *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. Along the way I have worked with several other theater groups in the valley, such as Boise Opera Company, in *The Merry Widow* and *The Magic Flute*; with Knock em' Dead Dinner Theatre in *Chess*, *Arsenic and Old Lace*, *Assassins*, and *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*; and Stage Coach Theatre in *The Importance of Being Ernest*, *Olympus on My Mind*, *Company*, and *Anything Goes*. I came back to BLT after a long absence to perform in *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, but have stuck around to do more shows like *Lie, Cheat & Genuflect*, *White*



*Christmas*, and last season's *Calendar Girls*.

I completed my fourth show directing at the end of last season with *Flaming Idiots*, having previously directed *The Pink Panther Strikes Again*, *Company*, and *Squabbles*. I also spent my tutelage as assistant directing *A Christmas Story* and *I Never Sang for My Father*.

In addition, I've enjoyed volunteering on house staff for the last several years, building sets, running lights, and doing sound up in the booth. I've enjoyed learning and doing all the stuff, not just that which puts one in the spotlight.

I have enthusiastically accepted the invitation to join the Board and I'm beyond excited to serve this organization that I've grown up in, and in turn, has helped me grow up.

*Editor's note: Brad was appointed by the board to fill the spot vacated by Joe Posluszny, who has stepped down due to health reasons.*

## In Memoriam



### Jerry Hall

Jerry Hall passed away on August 28, 2016 in Sherwood, OR. He lived in the Treasure Valley during the 50's and 60's and played the drums with various bands throughout the valley, as well as many dance halls in several states. He performed in seven shows at BLT and won a Beulah for his portrayal of Victor Valasco in *Barefoot in the Park* in 1967. His favorite role was Nathan Detroit in *Guys and Dolls*.

## AACT Summer Update

by Debbie Hertzog

New York Adventure 2016  
July 7-10, Millennium Broadway Hotel

It was interesting to observe the inner workings of the American Association of Community Theatre during its summer meeting in NYC. There were numerous meetings of the executive and finance committees, the board, the regional reps, and the annual membership, with a national AACT awards presentation at the conclusion. Our Region 9 rep Jon Rake was unable to attend, so I enjoyed sitting in for him at the regional rep meeting and sharing all the great things that are happening in community theatre in Idaho. I-ACT is only 2 years old, so it's the new kid on the block. I can say Idaho has more enthusiasm than many of other state organizations!

More fun than the meetings were the two shows that were included in the conference: *Hamilton* and *Aladdin*. Another highlight was seeing so many youth participating in the

AACT Youth Summit for ages 9-12. There were lots of opportunities to meet other people, share ideas, and explore New York together. I enjoyed seeing Ron Ziegler, Field Services Director, who guided us in forming I-ACT and hosting our first state play festival in 2015. And I bumped into an old friend who played "Bobby" in the production of *Company* that Frank and I performed in in 1980 in Lawton, OK. Small world.

Coming soon: AACTFEST 2017, National Community Theatre Festival, June 26 - July 1, 2017 in Rochester, Minnesota. The state play festival (I-ACTFest 2017) will be held Feb 10 - 12 at the BSU Special Event Center.

## I-ACT Fundraiser a BIG Success!

I-ACT (Idaho Association of Community Theatres) thanks BLT for their generous sponsorship and donation at their first annual fundraiser, "Come to the Cabaret." Many of your favorite BLT actors, crew, and directors performed for the sold-out crowd at the Sapphire Room and almost \$5,000 was raised for the upcoming play festival in February. An additional thank you goes to the BLT patrons for attending and supporting this event! We look forward to seeing you at next year's fundraiser and at the festival!

## ***Miracle on 34th Street* Cast List**

Dr Pierce	Jim Littlejohn
Kris Kringle	Jerry Snodgrass
Ms. Shellhammer	Helene Myers
Doris Walker	Autumn Kersey
Susan Walker	Amira L.
Fred Gayley	Paul Kersey
Mr. Macy	Don Mummert
Mrs. Macy	Jody Mummert
Mr. Albert Sawyer	Frank White
Mr. Bloomingdale	Galen Louis
Judge Harper	Larry Chase
Mr. Finley	Clay Lee
Ms. Mara	Andrea Holmes
Janet Mara	Jaxon H.
Ms. Charlene Halloran	Patti Finley
Multiple Characters	Kimberli Reynolds
Multiple Characters	Jim Robinson
Multiple Characters	Seth M.
Elf	Annie E.
Elf	Matt O.
Elf	Dylan R.
Elf	Zoe K.
Elf	Megan A.
Elf	Emma M.
Elf	Patrick J.
Family	Michael/Olga Laird (Sophia)
Dutch Girl	Kinsley W.
Foster Mother	Kathryn Wardle
Family	Shelby Bay (Clara & Leo)
Family	Clay/Heather Lee (Bobbie & Gavin)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Welcome New Members!**

Over the summer, 56 of our Lifetime members stayed with us, 39 percent of our members renewed their memberships, and 22 new people joined our insanity!

#### **Please welcome:**

Joe Colletti and Karen Midlo  
Annie Eismann  
Sharon Gooding  
JeNealle & Jensen Gunnell  
Valerie Hersey  
Louis Lopez  
Mary Morris  
Abigail Spencer  
Debra Palmer and Gina & Sara Centioli  
Mark, Stephanie, and William Thompson  
Darin & Jeanna Vickery  
Sarah, Travis, Quinn & Harper Wright

### **Actors Forum**

I-ACT sponsored Actors Forum takes place every **FIRST** Tuesday of the month from 7-9 p.m. at the Owyhee. Come see what all the buzz is about! Everyone is welcome to attend, and it's FREE!

Contact Patti O'Hara at [actorsforum@cableone.net](mailto:actorsforum@cableone.net) and like us on Facebook (I-ACT Actors Forum) for updates. See you at the forum!

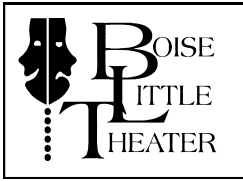
### **January Snack Volunteer Needed**

We are in need of volunteers to bring a snack to the January membership meeting.

Can you help?  
Please email Jay Parker at [dbrat\\_1974@yahoo.com](mailto:dbrat_1974@yahoo.com)

### **House Crew Volunteers Needed**

We are in need of volunteers to usher this season. Please email Sarah Church Carroll if you're interested:  
[sarahchurchcarroll@gmail.com](mailto:sarahchurchcarroll@gmail.com).



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The *Green Room Gazette* is published eight times annually during the season. Please direct your comments, questions, and constructive criticism to bltboise48@aol.com.

### **Coming this Season**

***Miracle on 34th Street, The Play***

Directed by Cheryl Blauer  
November 25 - December 10

***The Last Round-Up of the Guacamole Queens***

Directed by Wendy Koeppl  
January 6 - 21

***A Streetcar Named Desire***

Directed by Larry Dennis  
February 24 - March 11

***37 Postcards***

Directed by Sarah Wright  
April 7 - 22

***Charley's Aunt***

Directed by Paul Archibeque  
May 19 - June 3

**Next Membership Meeting:**

**Monday  
October 17th  
7 p.m.**