

## GREEN ROOM GAZETTE

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September 2017

### **Now Playing**

Pride and Prejudice
Directed by Diana Holdridge
September 1 - 16

#### **Next Up**

The Addams Family
A New Musical Comedy
Directed by John Myers
October 13 - 28

#### **Auditions**

A Christmas Story
Directed by Patti Finley
Saturday, September 23

Children: 2 - 4 p.m. Adults: 3 - 5 p.m. Sunday, September 24

All ages: 2 - 5 p.m.

Boise Little Theater Green Room

#### Needed:

Principal Actors: Two men ages 40 - 50
Two women to play 40ish
Five boys to play ages 6 - 11
Two girls to play ages 9 - 11

Also need some children as extras in the school scenes. Auditions will consist of a cold reading from the play. You do not need to prepare a monologue.

## **Membership Meeting**

September 18th 7 p.m.

### **Board of Directors**

Paul Archibeque Wendy Koeppl Patti O'Hara Brad Ooley Jay Parker

## **Theater Organization**

President: John Myers Business Manager: Kay Mack *Gazette* Editor: Carolyn Schultz

## Greetings and welcome to the Green Room Gazette.

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

This last summer has been anything but slow and relaxing. Let's count it off:

- 1. New roof on the building
- 2. The summer kids show Pollyanna
- 3. The moving of a 100-year-old tree to basically our parking lot
- 4. A road construction project that may or may not be done by the time I start collecting Social Security
- 5. Auditions and rehearsals for two different shows

Cheryl Blauer and her amazing cast and crew brought *Pollyanna* to BLT in July and, given all the negativity in the world right now, it was a refreshing escape to follow Pollyanna and her positive, enthusiastic attitude around the stage for a couple of hours. The cast and crew was filled with members of our Student Club, the hardest-working, most enthusiastic group of young thespians I've ever had the privilege to work with.

After two years of talking about it we got a new ROOF!!! YEAH!!!! There was quite the mess around the building for a couple of weeks, but it's all done and looks great. As soon as we got the theater cleaned up from the roof, the St. Luke's project started. Trees moving down the street, trenches in the parking lots, lost power to the building, water service interrupted. And that was just in August.

Speaking of the construction project, the next time you come to the theater give yourself enough time to "experience" the new traffic pattern around the theater.

While all that was going on, Diana Holdridge and her cast and crew have been working on bringing a little class to the beginning of the season with the latest version of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*. (And no, there are no Zombies in the show.) Come down to the theater and check out all the wackiness going on at Longbourn and Pemberley.

Shortly after Pride and Prejudice was cast, we had Auditions for The Addams Family – The Mu-

sical. I've been involved with a bunch of musicals over the years, so believe me when I say, this cast has more talent than they know what to do with. Kay Mack and JeNeale Gunnell have been working them 24/7 since July.

Can't wait for you all to see what we have put together for you. It's gonna be a great season - I hope you all enjoy watching it as much as we enjoy putting it on.

'til next time



## **Monthly Meeting Refreshment Volunteers**

September: Skov & Ruth Stemper October: Jay Parker & Gary Miller November: Kathy Green & Michelle December: BLT Christmas Party

January: Volunteer Needed
February: Jo-Ann Jones
March: Sarah & Mike Carroll
April: Jody Mummert & Helene Myers

May: Barb & Lynne

If any these dates don't work, please contact Jay Parker at 208-283-4251. I will try and give a reminder both a month and a week before.

Thanks for volunteering!
See you at the meetings.

#### In Memoriam

by Joanna Marshall

This summer two people who were involved with BLT passed away—Vera Cederstrom and Rosalie Sorrells.

As most people familiar with folk singers know, Grammy nominated Rosalie Sorrells passed away on June 11, 2017. However, few current BLT members know that Rosalie was very active in Boise Little Theater from 1949-1954. Rosalie Stringfellow started with the BLT Jr. program playing "Princess Can't Shut Up" in "The Hole in the Sock" in August of 1949. In 1951 she was a co-director of "A Froggy Would A Wooing Go." Rosalie worked on 10 more plays in the 50's after her time in the Junior program. Rosalie's husband, Jim Sorrells, worked with her on six of those plays.

Vera Sternling Cederstrom passed away on June 27, 2017. Vera was active in the 60's and 70's working on 25 plays, mostly doing either costumes or properties. She also served on the Board of Directors, was the Publicity Chairman, and was Hospitality Chair. All through the 80's, she and her husband Don were either house managers or ushers. Most recently Vera purchased tickets at the Patron level. She and Don were also major donors for Stage Coach Theatre, and they hosted Stage Coach's annual picnic in their backyard for many years.

# AACT Fest 2017 National Community Theatre Festival

June 26 - July 1, 2017 Rochester, Minnesota

by Debbie Hertzog, I-ACT Board



And the winner was...Tacoma Musical Playhouse and *The Addams Family, Act 1.* TMP represented Region 9 (Idaho, Oregon, and Washington) and advanced from the AACT Fest 2017 regional festival hosted by I-ACT in Boise.

The national AACT Fest included 12 outstanding performances from the 10 regions that make up AACT. In addition to the productions, there were numerous workshops in the areas of performance, administration, artistic direction, and technical production. For the first time, there was a Youth Leadership Conference and an AACT Youth-Fest with three performances.

The festival was attended by community theatre enthusiasts from across the country to include playwrights, directors, administrators, and actors. AACT New PlayFest 2014 winner, Paul Elliott, shared his play, *Exit Laughing*, soon to be produced by BLT!

The three-level play festival cycle (state, regional, national) will begin again in 2019. Stay tuned!

I-ACT's annual fundraiser Cabaret show will be held at The Sapphire Room on Sept. 30th. See some of your favorite BLT performers!

Visit: EventBrite.com for info and tickets!

## Pride & Prejudice Cast & Crew

Mr. Bennet	Curtis Ransom
Mrs. Bennet	Courtney Ransom
Elizabeth Bennet	Rebecca Gose
Jane Bennet	Trista Pruitt
Mary Bennet	Annie Eismann
Lydia Bennet	Megan Archibeque
Kitty Bennet	Claire Martin
Mr. Darcy	Isaac Outhet
Mr. Bingley	Ryan Craker
Miss Bingley	Zoe Kelly
Mr. Collins	Jared Stull
Charlotte Lucas	Jeni Montzka
Mr. Gardiner/Mr. Lucas	Jeremy Olsen
Mrs. Gardiner	Jana Olsen
Lt. Wickham	AJ Lawrence
Lady Catherine	Barb Beautrow
Col. Fitzwilliam	Darin Vickery
Housekeeper:	Jeanna Vickery
Georgiana/Ball Guest/Servant	Grace Simantan
Officer/Ball Guest/Servant	Arvid Schutte
Ball Guest/Servant:	Eliza Archibeque
Director	Diana Holdridge
Assistant Director/Sound Design	Paul Archibeque
Choreographer	Shannon Foy Peterson
Stage Manager	Jay Parker
Costumes	Elizabeth Greeley
Light Design	John Myers
Props:	Gary Miller
Light Board	Sam Hansen
Sound Board	Sam Heidelberg

#### **Season 69 Jim Branson Awards**

Winners and Nominees

Best Show: The Last Round-Up of the Guacamole Queens

Dracula Charley's Aunt

Best Director: Paul Archibeque - Charley's Aunt

Cheryl Blauer - Miracle on 34th Street

Wendy Koeppl - The Last Round-Up of the Guacamole Queens

Lead Actor: Layne Taylor as Renfield - Dracula

Jerry Snodgrass as Kris Kringle - *Miracle on 34th Street*Paul Kersey as Fred Gayley - *Miracle on 34th Street*Isaac Green as Lord Fancourt Babberly - *Charley's Aunt* 

Lead Actress: Carly Oppie as Peaches Verdeen Belrose - The Last Round Up of the

Guacamole Queens

Courtney Ransom as Olive Maddison - *Odd Couple*Diana Holdridge as Florence Unger - *Odd Couple*Amira Laird as Susan Walker - *Miracle on 34th Street* 

Becky Kimsey as Jimmie Wyvette Verdeen - *The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens* Courtney Ransom as Gaynelle Verdeen - *The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens* 

Supporting Actor: Blair Jaynes as Aubrey Verdeen - The Last Round Up of the

Guacamole Queens

Frank White as Mr. Albert Sawyer - *Miracle on 34th Street*Mike Mullens as Sir Francis Chesney - *Charley's Aunt* 

Supporting Actress: Anastasia Van Allen as Esther - 37 Postcards

Helene Myers as Ms. Shellhammer - *Miracle on 34th Street* Andrea Holmes as Ms. Mara (Attorney) - *Miracle on 34th Street* 

Diana Holdridge as CeeCee Windham - The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens

Anastasia Van Allen as Donna Lucia D'Alvadorez - Charley's Aunt

Cameo Actor: Darin Vickery as Brassett - Charley's Aunt

John Ode as Raynerd Chisum - *The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens* Jonathan Fine as The Collector - *A Streetcar Named Desire* 

Cameo Actress: Deb Southworth as Nana - 37 Postcards

Jo-Ann Jones as Ennis Crowder Puckett - *The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens* Lillian Falcone as Della Crowder - *The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens* Savannah Slater as Ela Delahay - *Charley's Aunt* 

Set Design: Larry Dennis - A Streetcar Named Desire

James Ulmen - Dracula

Wendy Koeppl - The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens

Set Dressing: Gary Miller - The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens

Gary Miller - Odd Couple

Kay Mack - Miracle on 34th Street

Props: Gary Miller - The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens

Gary Miller - Odd Couple

Gary Miller - Miracle on 34th Street

Sound Design: Ben Ulmen - Dracula

Larry Dennis - The Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens

Paul Archibeque - Charley's Aunt

Light Design: Dan Allers - A Streetcar Named Desire

John Myers - Odd Couple

Monae Curtis - Miracle on 34th Street

John Myers - Last Round Up of the Guacamole Queens

John Myers - Charley's Aunt

Costume Design: Elizabeth Greeley - Charley's Aunt

Elizabeth Greeley - Dracula

Linda Snodgrass - Miracle on 34th Street

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Student Club

Student Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 18th, for our monthly meeting. Then students may attend the regular BLT meeting at 7 p.m.

#### **New Box Office Hours**

The Box Office will now be open Monday through Friday from 11 am to 3 pm, and also 1.5 hours before every show.

#### **New Ticketing System**

BLT is now using Ticket Biscuit to print tickets in the box office. This system should allow us to fix many issues we've had in the past, including changing font sizes on the tickets so they're easier to read. It does have some fees applied to all tickets, whether bought online or in the box office.

Our previous printer is now for sale. It's a 2012 BOCA printer that was originally purchased for \$1,187 and upgraded for \$703 in 2016. Ticket stock is also available. Asking \$1,000. If you have any questions about Ticket Biscuit or the BOCA printer for sale, please contact the Box Office at 208-342-5104 or boxoffice@boiselittletheater.org.

#### **Actors Forum**

Whether or not you chose to perform,
ACTORS FORUM loves an appreciative and
supportive audience!
Join us **Tuesday**, **September 5**, **7-9 pm**,
at our new home, the

No admission fee (but donations are always welcome). Plenty of free parking.

The bar opens at 3pm (M-F!) and serves beer, wine, well drinks, and burgers!

All at reasonable prices!

Elks Lodge, 6608 West Fairview Ave.

#### **House Volunteers Needed**

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



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Please direct your comments, questions, and constructive criticism to: boxoffice@boiselittletheater.org.

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#### Pride and Prejudice

Directed by Diana Holdridge September 1 - 16

#### The Addams Family, A New Musical Comedy

Directed by John Myers October 13 - 28

#### A Christmas Story

Directed by Patti Finley November 24 - December 9

#### Beer for Breakfast

Directed by Helene Myers January 12 - 27

#### Exit Laughing

Directed by Wendy Koeppl March 2 - 17

#### Death of a Salesman

Directed by Frank White April 13 - 28

#### Once Upon a Mattress

Directed by John Myers May 25 - June 9

## **Next Membership Meeting:**

## Monday September 18th 7 p.m.

In keeping with tradition, we'll toast in memory of Vera Cederstrom after the meeting.