

# ENCORE!

Sept. '86

## NEWSLETTER

YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU Opens it's two week-end run Sept 27 at 8PM in the Plankroad School Theatre. The cast and crew blends some VPW veterans with new-comers and favorites returning to our stage. Those cast are STEVE BALZER, ANNE MARIE CHENEY, BERNIE ECKERT, RICK FUCHS, JOE FERRIE, LYNN HESTER, WAYNE HOAK, ROSIE KIJAK, DONNA KAY KOLHS, JANET KUBERT JIM KOLLENBROICH, GARY McMANUS, JANE PRESTON, DIANE ROTH, JOHN, RHIEL, JUDY TARBOX, VICTOR WHITE, and, TOM WISNIEWSKI. Set and light design by Margaret Banister and Chris Otto with special effects designed by Bob Kafka. Jane Preston is co-ordinating costumes, Judy Schoenfeld props. Mary Carroll again serves as Stage Manager for Director Tom Zuehlke.

YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU is classic American comedy filled with delightful and charming characters(if slightly eccentric!), quick wit, fireworks, ballet, love, and a still poignant comment on American life- all the ingredients for an enchanting evening of Theatre. YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU runs Sept. 27, 28 Oct. 3, 4 at 8PM and Oct. 5 at 2PM. BE THERE!!!

### ENCORE! ENCORE! ENCORE!

The VPW annual Encore Awards banquet was held Aug. 16 at the Ramada Sands. Maggie Ley (Sorry Ted!) again organized an enjoyable evening celebrating a year of hard work and achievement. Robert Gee and his ever-able band of strolling minstrels entertained the crowd with a variety of song and dance numbers. The award winners were, Best Production- Bells Are Ringing, Best Director- Gilbert Shine, Actress- Tracey Gauger and Missy Van Treeck, Actor- Joe Ferrie, Supporting Actress- Toni Stikl, Supporting Actor- David Handrich, Stage Manager Linda Jaeger, Set Design- Margaret Banister and Chris Otto, Lighting- Bob Kafka Featured Performers- Lloyd Dreger, Tom Kohls, Victor White, Vickie Katschke, Rosie Peterson, Marianne Kolar. Marrian Zieminski also won for Supporting Actress. Linda Jaeger received the Byrll Hoelke award and Jackie Kelnhofer a Special Citation. Rick Fuchs received the awards for Best Author and Director of the One Acts PlayFest. Marian Zieminski- Best Actress, David Handrich- Best Actor also for the One Acts. Intend now to be at next seasons banquet. Thanks Maggie, Robert et.al. for all your work.

### THE ONE ACT FESTIVAL,

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IS COMING!!!

**Village Playhouse of Wauwatosa**  
**P.O. Box 13095 Wauwatosa, WI 53213**

THE ONE ACT PLAY FESTIVAL next takes the VPW marque. The PlayFest is a tribute to the creative efforts of the VPW and offer actors the opportunity to be part of a work-in-progress experience. Audiences see a venue totally unique to the Milwaukee area. Such original ventures are needed to enhance the vitality and growth of the Theatre. Actors, Directors, Playwrights, and all ~~engaged in this~~ creative process, develop and experiment their craft in an atmosphere designed to foster creative and artistic freedom. The result quite simply is exciting and vitality alive Theatre. DONOT miss this event! Participate if you can. The selected plays and directors are presently playing musical scripts so I can't give you that information. So what! Be at auditions! Use this creative opportunity. AUDITIONS are scheduled Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 at 7PM at the Plankroad School. Production dates are Nov. 14,15,21,22.

### BABY

Our spring musical BABY is already in preproduction. Robert Gee will Direct and serve as his own Musical Director. Maianne Kolar will be the Producer, and Julie Makarewicz the Stage Manager. Baby certainly will rock with this able and talented production team.

Our seasons final show, REHEARSAL FOR MURDER, will be Directed by Gil Shine! Look for more info about these events during the months to come.

### STAGE DUST By Afra Bean the Gossip Queen

Hello VPW members! I'm Afra Bean the Gossip Queen and this is STAGE DUST, a new newsletter column dedicated to promoting gossip, expanding rumor, and, editorial commentary. Under the backstage carpet I always find the dust. If you have any to contribute to this new feature write, Afra Bean the Gossip Queen C/O the VPW Post Office Box shown on this newsletter. Hope to hear from you.

During rehearsals for You Can't Take It With You the cast has noticed Director Tom Zuehlkes unexplained obsession with pink tutu's, sweatbands, flowers, the Queen Mary, and Ingrid Bergman. The cast is starting a fund for Toms impending years of intensive psychiatric treatment.

Also from the rehearsal hall of YCTIWY I've heard one VPW favorite constantly commenting about her Congressional representation. Have we found our Jane Fonda?

There is no truth to the rumor that earplugs will passed out for the second act of YCTIWY. All complaint will fall upon deaf ears.

The long awaited VPW rock video has been delayed due to engineering difficulties experienced by the crack VPW technical squad.

Despite the protests of several civic organizations and censorship groups, the infamous Farmer McCarthy will indeed return to the VPW stage in YCTIWY.

Whoever types this newsletter should take writing and spelling lessons!

Recent local events lead some to think that our next season should include, The Boys In The Band, Torch Song Trilogy, and, La Cage aux Folles.

See You at YCTIWY  
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