

ENCORE!

NEWSLETTER

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MURDER REHEARSAL

REHEARSAL FOR MURDER, our next production is well under way. The plot is thick with twists, flashbacks, reversals, and counter-twists, that unravel a mystery unlike your typical whodunit! Director Gil Shine has assembled a talented and enthusiastic cast of VPW regulars and newcomers, as well as a skilled production team. Rehearsal For Murder takes the VPW boards May 8,9,15,16,17. Match wits with the cast, out-fox the sluths in the audience and join us as we investigate Rehearsal For Murder. Here's our cast and production team.

Director: Gil Shine

Lights: Bob Kafka

Costumes: Diane Roth, Shirley Anderson

Props: Neel Laing, Karen Leistek

Alex: Joe Ferrie

Ernie: Jim Gilliamson

Monica: Jane Preston

Loretta: Donna Kay Kohls

Lloyd: Victor White

Bella: Pat Winstrom

Karen: Jane Hanley

David: Mike Wagner

Leo: Jim Jacques

Male Cop: Joe Walsh

Lady Cop: Marianne Kolar

Man: Kurt Poth

Other Man: John Eck

BABY

ENCORE AND KUDOS for the entire Baby team in producing an evening of musical entertainment and genuine humor and drama. Baby touched our hearts with its wit and compassion. It was in every sense a true human celebration. The VPW deserves a bow for presenting Baby and Robert Gee and his and crew merit a heartfelt congratulations. Thank You all!

FRICITION IS A DRAG

W.T.A.

The VPW will be participating in the annual Wisconsin Theatre Association Convention May 1,2,3, in Superior Wisconsin. The VPW is sending to present at the convention Alexs Secret By Jim Henderson. The play, first seen as part of our last One Act Festival Features, Jane Preston, Steve Balzer and Jackie Kelnhoffer. Donna Kay Kohls is again Directing.

KITCHEN BAND

Only fourteen slots remain to complete our VPW Kitchen Band which will again be the featured entertainment in the Wauwatosa July 4 parade. Two positions are unfilled in the intricate egg-beater section, as well as three four slice toasters and the always popular drip coffee maker. Chief cook and bottle washer Tom Zuehlke is this year contemplating introducing his custom prograded microwave which beeps 'As Time Goes Bye' while baking a noodle and cocktail-winnie souffle. Samples of this extra-ordinary dish will be available at the pool-party which follows the parade. Contact Mary Carroll today and reserve one of the remaining spots. IT'S A GREAT TIME!!!

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ENCORE BANQUET

June 20 is the confirmed date for this years Encore Awards Banquet. Our annual extravaganza will again be held at the upstairs hall of the Ramada Sands on Bluemound Road. Maggie Ley lends her hostess expertise for us, and Robert Gee and his travelling troupe of singers, dancers, and all around hams will provide the evenings entertainment. Bob Kafka is handling technical duties. (Sorry, Rick!) Cocktail hour (or two) will begin at 6. With the General meeting and awards ceremony to follow. Hors d'oeuvres will be served. Cost is now estimated at \$5.00. Award ballots and reservation cards will be mailed following Rehearsal For Murder. Plan to celebrate our season with us. Mark June 20 today.

General Meeting

At the Vpw General Meeting to be held June 20 at the Encore Banquet the general membership will elect next seasons executive board of directors. Tom Kohls, Jeff Hussinger and Lloyd Dreger are managing the nominations committee. If your interested in taking on a board position give any of them a call. Tom 453-2283, Jeff 962-7754, Lloyd 321-0694. Also, if you have any suggestions for who you think would make a good board member let us know and we'll contact them. (Confidentiality is assured- unless Afra hears)

June 20 is also the date the VPW will be participating in two community events. In the morning we'll be joining the J C Penny Run for the medical center(?). Marianne Kolar-(that ernstwhile Penny employee) is the person to contact for more info. In the afternoon the VPW will take part in an affair with the Wauwatosa Historical Society. VPW President David Handrich said, "It's a wonderful community project. Lots of hotsy-totsy people" (Actually he wrote it.) Mary Carroll our Village Affairs director is the contact person- 771-9671

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Listing of VPW members Theatre activities and other Community Theatre events. Send your info to ~~What's Happening~~ c/o VPW PO Box

Rick Fuchs is ACTING in the Brown Deer Players production Catch Me If You Can May 1,2,14,15,16.

Judy Tarbox is Directing Our Town for a one time dinner theatre performance May 9 at St. Saba's church. Several VPW members are reprising there roles from our AWARD WINNING production of '84, including Anne Marie Cheney, Evvie (The whole world's wrong that's what's the matter) Smith, Jonathan Curvin. Gary McManus, Lynn Hester, Heather Meisenheimer are featured. Contact Judy for details 425-0301.

Waukesha Civic (Hi, Betsy!) presents Damn Yankees May 1,2,3,8,9,10,14,15,16,17
The Suburban Players perform Oklahoma May 8,9,15,16.

Charmaine DeNoyer will Direct A Chorus Line for the West Allis Players this summer.

The Oak Creek Community Theatre will present Mary Mary May 1,2,7,8,9.

STAGE DUST

By Afra Bean the Gossip Queen

Tom Kohls has entered the post-production phase of the movie industry.

John was last seen on St. Patricks day.

When Evvie needed a jump John couldn't get his engine going so Steve was called in to give her a start.

In the computer room no one can hear you scream.

Art imitates life so it's no wonder several actr@d types are enjoying Rehearsal For Murder.