

ENCORE

Village Playhouse Of Wauwatosa NEWSLETTER

MARCH '88

AUDITIONS

COME BACK TO THE FIVE AND DIME, JIMMY DEAN, JIMMY DEAN (From Now...Jimmy Dean)

Auditions for our season finale ...Jimmy Dean are scheduled for April 4,5 at 7PM at the Plankroad School 9508 W. Watertown Plankroad. Director Tamara Stajmiger describes The play as a drama about the problems and changes women face from high school to adulthood. The script is touching, funny, suprising. 8 roles are available for women in these age ranges:

2- 18 to 25, 5- 25 to 40, 1- 40 to 65. Call Tamara at 281-8205 for more info.

More...Jimmy Dean

David Handrich is producing ...Jimmy Dean for us. He and Tamara are looking for prop, set, and light crew people. (Our only chance guys!) Here's an opportunity to be part of what promises to be an exciting piece of Theatre. If you'd like to play along stop in at auditions or call Tamara.

Production for ...Jimmy Dean is set for May 13,14,20,21,22. Mark those dates!

LITTLE ME

ENCORE ENCORE to the cast, crew, and all who contributed to making Little Me an outstanding success. Director Dick Katchke, Choreographer Ray Bradford, and Musical Director Carl Chadek led a fine cast through their paces and produced an evening of song, dance and story that entertained some of the largest audiences the VPW has ever welcomed. First class production values and back-stage work supported the wonderful effort on the boards. Congrats to all concerned, and to our audience. The books aren't yet closed and it looks like the accounting will be a nice deep BLACK! Thank again.

88-89 SEASON

The VPW proudly announce its 1988-89 season, production and audition dates, and selected Directors. Before you read any further get your calanders and be prepared to mark these dates because you don't want to miss what we have in store for you. (I'll pause and change my CD while you do that) Ready!?

A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE

Director Tom Zuehlke

Play Dates: September 16,17,23,24,25.

Auditions: July 26,27

One-Act Play Festival

Play Dates: November 11,12,18,19

Auditions: September 26,27

Submission Deadline: August 1.

ANYTHING GOES

Director Tom Stajmiger

Play Dates: March 10,11,17,18,19.

Auditions: January 9,10,11.

PLAY ON

Director not selected

Play Dates: May 12,13,19,20,21.

Auditions: March 27,28,29.

Are you intrigued? Excited? Wondering how the VPW is going to produce this ambitious season? Don't wait. Plan today to be a part, and mark those dates.

CRACK!*&\$\$QUISH*#SKRUNCH

Remember that prop you despised? The hideous colored furniture you saw on our stage? That disgusting and impossible piece of scenery? Here's your chance for vengence! On APRIL 16 from 9:30-5PM the VPW is going to have a cleaning party at the Plankroad school. Bob Kafka and Judy Schoenfeld will lead a committed and merciless assault on our prop and set-piece room with the intention of sparing our audiences from ever having to again suffer through a show of broken and tattered furniture, flats and propeties. Sounds like fun, doesn't it! Remember the chair that always moved in front of you? The prop that never worked? Come join us and destroy it!!! It's also an effective way to relieve tension, frustration, anxiety, and aggressive tendincies in a safe, inexpensive and theraputic manner. APRIL 16! Be there!

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ENCORE AWARD BANQUET

The VPW Encore award banquet is scheduled for JUNE 18 at the Wauwatosa Lions Club. Mary Carroll and Anne Marie Cheney are this seasons hostesses and have a wonderful celebration in the planning. Dinner will be catered by Tamara and Tom Stajmiger. Dining and dancing music will be featured by a traveling DJ system. And of course the Encore awards will be presented. It's truly a night to celebrate and honor all who contribute to the VPW season. Invitations and ballots will be sent after ...Jimmy Dean. Now here it gets tricky so pay close attention! Ready? Everyone on the VPW mailing list will receive an invitation to the banquet. ONLY PAID MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE AN AWARD BALLOT!!! So if you want to vote for your seasons favorites you must be sure your membership dues are paid. Dues are \$5.00 yearly, and is included if you're a season ticket holder. If you have a stamp with the VPW PO Box at the top of this page it means your membership has lapsed!!!! You can renew yourself by sending \$5.00 to "MEMBERSHIP" at the PO Box address. If you fail to renew you will also be removed from our mailing list in September. So renew today and be able to vote for our Encore awards and continue to receive these highly literate (if poorly spelled) newsletters. If you have any questions you can call our membership chairperson Diane Roth at 475-7746.

JUNE 18 ENCORE AWARD BANQUET

Another feature of the Encore banquet will be the election of next seasons executive board. The nominations committee will report April 19. If you'd like to run for a board position, or have someone in mind we could ask, call Tom Kohls at 453-2283. I invite everyone to join. It's fun, and I promise a spirited campaign by the VPW will be more interesting then anything our Presidential candidates might concoct come November.

(Such political commentary is reflective of this authors opinions only and is in no way indicative of the VPW organization or membership)

Due to labor difficulties with the coleslaw shredding section the VPW Kitchen Band willnot march in this years July 4th Parade. Instead, we are going to do something phenomenal! And you'll want to take part. To advertise our next seasons opening production of A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE we are going to use an old-fashioned Streetcar from the county transportation department and call it DESIRE, and have it lead the VPW down North Avenue in the July 4th parade. Banners will advertise our other shows and marchers get to dress in costumes and play along with us. At the Encore Banquet we're going to sealed bids to see who gets to dress as Stanley, Stella and Blanche from the play and ride in DESIRE. More info on this to follow next issue. It sounds great so plan to be with DESIRE July 4. And desire is always allowed at Rosies post parade pool party.

NETWORKING

The VPW took the lead in organizing a network between the western community Theatres in the area. The VPW is joining with Waukesha Civic (Love ya, Betsy!) The Brookfield Players, Brown Deer Theatre, The Suburban Players, The Patio Players, and the West Allis Players, in an effort to co-ordinate activities. That way, we could be sure everyone isn't planning on producing the same show, a mutual newsletter to save costs and a larger mailing list, pool other resourses. It sound like a great idea and let's hope it happens.

"WHAT'S HAPPENING"

(A listing of what VPW members and other community Theatres are doing. Send your info, include dates, to 'What's Happening' C/O the VPW PO Box)

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR is being produced by the Suburban Players and features several VPW members, Tom Stajmiger, Toni Stickl, Tarrie Christopherson, Al Liegle, Frank Sanders. Gil Shine is directing.

Ray Bradford is directing Guys And Dolls for WAUKESHA CIVIC

AT THIS POINT I'M RETIRING MY HUNK OF JUNK TYPEWRITER!