

ENCORE!

NEWSLETTER

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"COLE"

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DIRECTOR RICHARD HALTERMAN will be holding auditions for our spring musical revue "COLE" JAN. 14,15,16. Performance MARCH 15,16,22,23,24

"COLE" is a musical tribute to the life and work of COLE PORTER. The show includes 50! of the composer all time classics. The cast is an ensemble of strong singers who can dance and act. Auditioners should prepare a Cole Porter song transposed to their own key. Accompanist provided.

Roles are available for 7 women and 7 men, ages 18 to 60. For more information call 476-9361.

Technical help is always needed and invited to come to auditions.

Auditions begin at 7PM at the Plank Road School Auditorium, 9508 Watertown Plank Road.

Mark those dates- COME AUDITION! COME SEE "COLE"!

EDITORIAL

Commentary by Encore editor Tom Zuehlke. I'm solely responsible for the opinions expressed, not the Village Playhouse of Wauwatosa Board of Directors or Membership- At- Large.

The future of this Theatre Company is questionable. We're in the financial black- barely- and only through a generous individual contribution. If "COLE" fails to attract huge audiences, I'm not sure the VPW will survive.

Of the several Theatres I work with, and the many others I attend, the VPW continuously produces quality productions- classics, area premiers of recent New York shows, and the new work of the One Act Play Festival. I am proud of our every season. Are you?

I mail nearly 500 newsletters twice for every show. Where are you all? Except for tickets sold by the cast and our few seasons ticket subscribers, who attends our shows?

What keeps your fannies from filling our seats? Ticket prices? The plays performed? The hard auditorium seats? Just don't care? All of the above? Other? I'd really like to know.

Please write me care-of the VPW Post Office Box and tell me what's keeping you away. I'm committed to having a VPW in 91-92 and beyond. With your information something can be done to draw you back. If you want a VPW you'll write, and you had best come see "COLE"

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ACTFEST

The VPW entry into this years State wide ACTFEST competition is "ON TIDY ENDINGS", TOM ZUEHLKE will direct the show featuring LUCY KUGLER, ANNA ORTIZ, DAVID HANDRICH, JEREMY SCHUBOT. The play will be performed at ACTFEST Febuary 23 in Oshkosh. The State winner advances to the regional competition in Lima, Ohio. BREAK A LEG!

PLAY SELECTION REPORT

The '91-92 season is almost set. The possible plays are in the final selection stage. The drama committee reports, "AS IS", "LOOK HOMEWARD ANGEL", "FREEDOM OF THE CITY"- Musicals, "SUGAR", "GIRL CRAZY"- Comedy, "SKIN OF OUR TEETH", "UBTU", "LEND ME A TENOR".

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A VPW ENCORE to the casts and crew who made our One Act Play Festival a success. An ENCORE to Producer TIM MANION, the Play Selection and Director selection committees. Thanks to all!

IN MEMORIAL

The VPW is saddened by the recent loss of our friend JOHN FLESSAS. John was a founding father of the VPW, the Mini-Theatre, and the Original One Act Play Festival. His passion for Theatre and contributions to the VPW will be greatly missed.

WELCOME

To ANNA ORTIZ, who takes over as VPW Board of Directors Secretary. And our thanks to VICTOR WHITE for his tenure.

STAGE DUST

By Afra Bean the Gossip Queen

"You have to learn the mechanics before you can learn the art"- Bob

"I know the mechanics, Bob, so let's get it on with the art"- Janet

Mark and Amy were seen smooching at Arts, John + Anna were observed hugging at Hectors, Tom and Mary were watched rubbing at Rosies.

Anna, "Don't call me Anna", is out of group therapy and into group sex. Anna, A.K.A. "Anna", didn't get married the first time she was with child nor will she marry the second time she is begot. Anna, "That's pronounced "Anna", spent the holidays looking for French cut Santa briefs that play Jingle Bells to give her John.

Rosie, don't forget to pick-up Evvie!

Ariane asked not to be gossiped about since her mother reads the Encore. Well, Afra Bean will not submit to censorship! However, as Ariane is new to the VPW I'll grant her request. If you want to know what I'm not reporting here, please talk to me at "COLE" auditions.

"GEORGE WASHINGTON SLEPT HERE" Director TOM ZUEHLKE promises to hold a mooring audition for the role of the cow.