

ENCORE!

NEWSLETTER

MAY, 1993

"LEADER OF THE PACK"

THE FINAL WEEKEND

MAY 14, 15- 8PM

MAY 16- 2:30PM

YOUR LAST CHANCE TO JOIN THE VPW CELEBRATION OF SONG AND DANCE

"LEADER OF THE PACK" closes this Sunday. Last weekend's opening brought the joy and revelry of the American Musical to our stage.

A MOTORCYCLE- A ROLLER SKATING BRIDAL PARTY- HANKY PANKY- a few of the special effects "LEADER OF THE PACK" offers.

Director GENE GUENTHER, a multi-talented cast, creative crew have tackled twisting, teching, tooting trombones, tweeting trumpets, talloring tuxes, tapering tricky taffeta, tuning tender tunes to a T

The show is filled with show-stopping numbers too many to mention- "RIVER DEEP MOUNTAIN HIGH" and the "LEADER OF THE PACK" dance received thunderous applause. And our opening audiences went out whistling their favorite classic songs.

"LEADER OF THE PACK" has something for everybody.
COME SEE "LEADER OF THE PACK" BEFORE IT RIDES INTO THE SUNSET!

ENCORE AWARDS AND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

JUNE 12, 1993

THAT'S JUNE 12! NOT AS ERRONEOUSLY NOTED LAST MONTH.
IT'S REALLY JUNE 12

INVITATIONS TO THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING
AND AWARD BALLOTS FOR PAID MEMBERS
ARE INCLOSED.

The ENCORE festivities are always a fun filled evening. The VPW made many great new friends this season and we'd love to see you all. Please follow the directions on the ballot and the RSVP. IF YOU DIDN'T RECEIVE A BALLOT IT'S BECAUSE WE HAVE YOUR MEMBERSHIP AS EXPIRED. IF YOU HAVE A QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP, OR WOULD LIKE TO RENEW AND RECEIVE A BALLOT, CALL PAUL SHEEHEN AT 771-0909. Remember that we will be voting for next seasons board of executive directors at the membership meeting.

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

**AUDITION AND PRODUCTION SCHEDULE
FOR OUR '93-'94 SEASON**

**"THE EFFECTS OF GAMMA RAYS ON
MAN-IN-THE-MOON MARIGOLDS"**

By PAUL ZINDEL

AUDITIONS: AUGUST 30,31
PRODUCTIONS: OCTOBER 8,9,15,16,17

ONE-ACT PLAY FESTIVAL

AUDITIONS: OCTOBER 11,12
PRODUCTIONS: NOVEMBER: 12,13,14,19,20,21

"JABBERWOCK"

By JEROME LAWRENCE and ROBERT E. LEE

AUDITIONS: JANUARY 10,11
PRODUCTIONS: MARCH 4,5,11,12,13

"ANNE OF GREEN GABLES"

By JOSEPH ROBINETTE from the novel by L.M. MONTGOMERY

AUDITIONS: MARCH 14,15
PRODUCTIONS: MAY 6,7,13,14,15

This is a big season of LARGE CAST SHOWS- roles from ages 10 to 70,
period costumes, props, level sets, and BIG FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT!
MARK THESE DATES TODAY AND PLAN ON BEING PART OF OUR SEASON.

Watch your ENCORE NEWSLETTERS coming this summer.

**TENTH ANNUAL WISCONSIN PLAYWRIGHTS
ORIGINAL ONE-ACT PLAY FESTIVAL.**

Scripts are starting to come in. Remember the deadline for script
submission is JULY 31 so get the dedicated word processors busy. If
you need a script submission form call JUDY LEE at 425-0301
DIRECTORS FOR THE PLAY FESTIVAL ARE ALSO NEEDED. If you'd like to
apply you should send your resume' to ONE-ACT FESTIVAL BOX 13095
WAUWATOSA, WI 53213, Call JUDY LEE if you have any questions.

PEEPS DIARY

By SAM PEEPS

Well, JANET got married April 1. But not to BOB. She married BILL.
But we thought BILL was married to MARY JO. Except we thought MARY
JO was married to BOB first. Then PAUL said he married MARY JO last.

Why is the VPW like Tony Orlando?... Who isn't faking the HANKY
PANKY scene in "LEADER..."?... What is NANCY doing in Seattle?....

Is that infamous VPW actor, known as, "THE MAN WITH A GUN", doing
dirty dancing in "LEADER..."?!... We do suspect BARB is a burned-out
costumer by the silver lame' MARGIE wears (very well) in "LEADER..."

A sign in the costume shop reads, "Nice people get nice costumes.
Crabs go naked.", in preperation for our crabby version of "Oh
Calcutta". BARB and DONNA are pre-casting the show.

How many Surrealists does it take to change a lightbulb?....A chair!

ENCORE AWARDS BANQUET

The 10th annual ENCORE AWARDS BANQUET is scheduled

JUNE 10TH

MCCARTY PARK PAVILION

2567 S. 79TH ST.

MARK THAT DATE NOW AND PLAN ON ATTENDING OUR SEASONS CELEBRATION! Reservation cards and award ballots will be mailed in May. REMEMBER- ONLY PAID VPW MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE FOR THE AWARDS. If you're unsure about your membership please Call PAUL SHEEHEN at 771-0909. The banquet is always a great way to celebrate our season. There's food, dance, spirits and friends! And the ENCORE AWARDS. To the many new friends we made this season, it's a fun filled time and you'll want to be there. Reserve JUNE 10 for the VPW ENCORE celebration!

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING.

JUNE 10th, McCARTY Park Pavilion

Our annual General Membership meeting will be held that same night, before the awards banquet. The meeting to open to all VPWers. You're welcome to attend the membership meeting even if you don't want to pay for the banquet. At the membership meeting we'll elect our 93-94 Board Of Directors. Again, ONLY PAID MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.

AND SPEAKING OF NEXT SEASONS BOARD OF DIRECTORS!

PRESIDENT-ELECT JOE WALSH is heading the nomination committee forming the slate of officers for next seasons board. The positions for election are PRESIDENT-ELECT, VICE-PRESIDENT, TREASURER, SECRETARY, MEMBERSHIP, TECHNICAL DIRECTOR. Job descriptions are available. If you're interested call JOE at 543-4335. Newsletter, House Manager, Publicity are non-elected positions available.

THE COSTUME COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD COURTIERS

The VPW has been acquiring quite a costume collection. From the 80 hand sewn pieces for TOM JONES, to a recent donation, to the period shows of last season, we almost have a self sufficient costume dept. BARB LYNCH is heading a committee to manage our wardrobe. If you can SEW, SIZE, or just enjoy sifting through racks of fun clothing, join Barb on this new and needed committee. WE REALLY NEED HELP! Call BARB at 425-2076. We also need some financial support, or materials, to build 3 new costume racks. If you can help, please call BARB.

"FIFTH OF JULY"

A VPW ENCORE to director B.J. FOX, and the cast and crew of "Fifth of July". The challenges of this show were many and handled to produce a highly charged theatrical evening. ENCORE TO YOU ALL!

A.A.C.T.F.E.S.T.

The VPW took the defense of it's community theatre state title to Eau Claire. Against what has been described by an AACTFEST veteran as, "the strongest competition ever", we passed our plague on to the Plattville Community Theatre. Their production of FOOL FOR LOVE, and all the shows showcased at the festival, demonstrated how community theatre is alive and well in Wisconsin. ENCORE to the cast and crew of "TENNESSEE" for representing the VPW.

A few commemorative T-shirts from our AACTFEST participation remain. If you'd like to add a "TENNESSEE" shirt to your collection please call MARY BREITRICK at 771-0169.

"LEADER OF THE PACK"

Set construction for "LEADER OF THE PACK" will begin April 10, at the Plank Road School. Bring a hammer, crescent wrench, screwdriver-electric not liquid-paint brush, circular saw, or some other useful tool, and come join us. If you haven't such an implement of creation, we'll provide one. If you don't help out, our Tech Director, MARY JO RESOP, will have to do it all herself. Now, no one really wants to see that happen. (except maybe Bob). So call MARY JO at 464-9608 to volunteer. Thanks.

Now, "LEADER OF THE PACK" also needs some help in getting period props. This is 60's stuff- which many of us (right, mom) have tucked away in our basements, attics, garages- to name my mothers favorite storage spots. Please call JOHN LUEDKE at 224-0226 if you have: SODA FOUNTAIN GLASSES and/or SUNDAY DISHES, SODA FOUNTAIN TYPE SET DECORATION (juke box stuff would be nice), A WORKING FLASH CAMERA (circa 1960), 3 microphone stands.

A NOT SO GENTLE REMINDER

It has been two years since the last VPW musical. Because of the expense of a musical production, and our always delicate financial position (the VPW is one of the few community theatre groups that doesn't get and municiple financing) it was decided to produce a musical every-other-year.

We already have about \$2,000 invested in LEADER OF THE PACK, music rental, royalties, scripts. IT IS CRUCIAL to recoup our treasury ASAP!

Not only do want to see each of the 500 folks who recieve this newsletter attend LEADER OF THE PACK- with a friend or two or three who don't, we're asking that YOU USE THE ADVANCE PURCHASE FORM on page 1 of your ENCORE right away. You save a buck! WE GET THE PRODUCTION FUNDS WE NEED! Join the fun. Support your VPW. (it really is yours)

PEEPS DIARY

By SAM PEEPS

The ENCORE newsletter staff received several inquiries why my column hasn't been published since Sept. I was in Tibet visiting AFRA BEAN, when I was kidnapped by a renegade band of yak herders and held hostage til I disclosed the true number of MARY JO's husbands. After contacting BOB, PAUL, TOM, BILL, TOM, and JOAN, I gained my freedom.

NANCY and NANCY have registered complaints about being left out of PEEPS DIARY despite their every effort at being naughty enough to gain notice. Well, ladies, your sordid best just isn't compelling. Watch EVVIE, ROSIE, JANET, JUDY, DONNA. You'll make it yet!

Which couple doesn't belong? DONNA + TOM, MARY + TOM, BECKY + TOM, DAWN and DAVE....Speaking of couples, Congrats to SCOTT and LISA!

Will JAN's(?!) Fifth of July party beat ROSIE's Fourth of July bash? Available soon- a novella titled, THE QUOTABLE SHERI.

What did MIKE leave in Eau Claire? What did MARY JO do in Vegas?.... Where is Mini-Theatre East?.... Where is JIM?.... TOM will be back in Alma this June doing LOVE LETTERS with????