

MUDDPRINTS

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The official newsletter of the Mississippi Mudds - March 2011



Jane Lee is home from hospital after back surgery and Jeannie Bright is recovering from a nasty fall. We wish both of them a speedy recovery. If you know of someone in the Mudds who is ill, had an accident or is in hospital please let Judith Scott know.

News from the Board - Judith Scott, Secretary, Board of Directors

Spring equinox greetings to all from the Board and thanks to all out there engaged in bringing wonderful Mudds shows to Carleton Place. We leave it to individual show teams to update you on their news but want you all to know how proud we are to be associated with a community theatre that works to such high production standards.

On the daily business front, we are still looking for a person willing to sit on the auditorium committee once it is reactivated. Safe to volunteer at this point as no meetings are planned for the near future.

We are getting concerned at the lack of show proposals coming forward for 2012 and beyond. To help inspire we are planning a special brainstorming meeting on April 18th. Tony as Show Development Officer will be putting out a specific and detailed invitation to the membership but in particular we want to invite all those who directed, produced or otherwise spearheaded shows over the last few seasons. Watch for more information on this.

Saturday May 28th is the date for the board to hear new show proposals. We have generated a list of questions that will be addressed to each presenting team and these will soon be posted on the website as part of the show proposal package.

Wednesday June 15th is set for our Annual General Meeting. More details will follow but start considering if you are interested in becoming a board member for the June 2011 to June 2012 season.

Our next regular board meeting is scheduled for the evening of Thursday April 14th at 7 pm at Tomahawk technologies 192 Bridge Street. Please contact Judith 613 253 2007 if you would like to attend.

Halfway to Heaven - Judith Scott, Producer

We are on the fast track now to our opening at the end of April. The songs and lines are off book, the blocking is developing, the full band is beginning to come out to rehearsals and the excitement is building. Tickets are on sale, posters are up, articles are being sent to the papers and sets are to be built the weekend of March 26th. The tech experts, costume and makeup people are working overtime to plan and prepare for our first dress rehearsal on April 10th followed by the full dress and tech on April 17th. Things are coming together for front of house and photography too. Working around a late Easter was challenging for our schedule. We are hoping to put on preview dress rehearsal for an invited audience on Wednesday April 27th, just 2 days before we open. We do not want to compromise ticket sales of course but if you have ideas for individuals or groups that would appreciate an invitation please contact Judith at 613 253 2007. For all our dates check the calendar at the end of the newsletter.

Halfway to Heaven - Doris Ohlmann, Publicity

Join the Mississippi Mudds for their Spring production of Halfway to Heaven. SHOW DATES: April 29 & 30; May 6 & 7 at 8 pm with a matinee on Sunday, May 1 at 2 pm.

Ticket are \$20 from Arts Carleton Place, 132 Coleman Street. Call 613-257-2031. You can view their website at www.artscarletonplace.com or visit www.mississippimudds.com

Publicity Needs You - Doris Ohlmann, Publicity

Do you ever feel the urge to write a story, take a promotional photo, make a video, design a poster, stage a publicity event? The Mudds publicity team needs you. For the last 5 years publicity has been viewed as a 12-month project. This began when we found, with our regular shows, murder mysteries, Muddsingers concerts and youth theatre productions that we were getting more and more overlapping of productions. We think it works well to view the big picture and plan specific show campaigns with all other Mudds shows in mind. Over this time Doris Ohlmann and Judith Scott have shared most of the management, submitting articles and press releases, setting up banners and signs and posting to more and more websites. We have had wonderful posters designed by Kathleen Everett and Jenny Pfitzer and press stories and photos from several members. Recently Jeff Lee has shown us the potential for You Tube and

Facebook to reach out to a wider audience. Contact Doris dohlmann@xplornet.com if you would like to find out more, submit an idea or become part of the team. We need your help.

Play Reading - Brian McManus, Mudds Players Chairman

Anyone interested in a reading of Steel Magnolias should contact Brian McManus mr.canoehed@hotmail.com. Please state a preference for either April 8th or 15th. by April 3rd. A confirmation will be sent to all respondents on April 4th.

Makeup Volunteers Needed - Halfway to Heaven

We are STILL in need of volunteers to join the make-up team for Halfway to Heaven please get in touch with Sandra Dunlop at 613-599-7221 or email her at pcbear@rogers.com. Your help is really needed.

Email Addresses - Sandra Dunlop, Editor

Please - if you have a change in any of your information (address, telephone number and especially email address) please make sure that you get that information to Sandra Dunlop at 613-599-7221 or pcbear@rogers.com. This will make sure that you continue to receive the Mudds newsletter and any other pertinent information that is sent out.

The next MuddPrints will be coming out by April 20, 2011, so if you want something included please send it to me by April 18 at pcbear@rogers.com.

Mudds Calendar (2011)

Mar. 26 (Sat)	9 - 5	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Set Build
Mar. 27 (Sun)	9 - 1	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Set Build
Mar. 27 (Sun)	1:30 - 4	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Blocking
Mar. 30 (Wed)	7 - 9:30	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Blocking Clean Up
Apr. 2 (Sat)	9 - 5	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Set Build/Tech Set Up
Apr. 3 (Sun)	9 - 1	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Tech
Apr. 3 (Sun)	1:30 - 4	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Run Through
Apr. 6 (Wed)	7 - 9:30	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Run Through
Apr. 10 (Sun)	1 - 4	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Dress Rehearsal
Apr. 13 (Wed)	7 - 9:30	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Run Through
Apr. 14 (Thur)	7pm	Board Meeting	Tomahawk Techn.	
Apr. 17 (Sun)	10 - 5	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Tech and Dress
Apr. 18 (Mon)		Brainstorming Session	TBD	
Apr. 20 (Wed)	7 - 9:30	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Run Through
Apr. 27 (Wed)	7 - 9:30	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Dress Rehearsal
Apr. 29 (Fri)	6 - 11	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Show #1
Apr. 30 (Sat)	6 - 11	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Show #2
May 1 (Sun)	12 - 5	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Show #3
May 4 (Wed)	7 - 9:30	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Run Through
May 6 (Fri)	6 - 11	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Show #4
May 7 (Sat)	6 - 11	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Show #5
May 8 (Sun)	9 - 12	Halfway to Heaven	Town Hall	Tear Down
May 28 (Sat)		Board to Review		
		Show Proposals	TBD	
June 15 (Wed)		Annual General Meeting	TBD	