

MUDDPRINTS

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The official newsletter of the Mississippi Mudds - May 2011



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on June 8th at 7pm at the Carleton Place library. You will be able to pay your 2011/2012 membership dues (\$20.00) at that time.

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

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: We are nearly at the end of another season and have just had our last regular Board meeting. As you know our Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday June 8th at 7 p.m. in the Carleton Place library. Before that we will have heard new show proposals so do come out to hear what is being planned and how you can get involved for 2011/2012. Jan Ferguson is again heading up the nomination committee and will be in touch regarding letting your name stand for election. As usual we will be voting for President, Treasurer, Secretary, Singers Rep, Players Rep Show Development Officer and possibly Member without Portfolio. For more information contact Jan directly (613 257-8634) or any of the current board members.

SPONSORSHIP/PROGRAM ADVERTISING. It is becoming evident that a new approach to soliciting support local businesses is needed. It does not make sense to plough almost all the revenue we get from our program advertisers into printing that program. We have begun the process of looking at other options, such as sponsorship bundles but need help from you. If you have some energy to put into this research then please consider joining our new sponsorship/fundraising committee. We will be asking for volunteers at the AGM. In addition we are also seeking volunteers to investigate what grants may be available to us. Please let

Meredith know (613 257-8930) if you are interested.

SHOW TICKETS. In the last show and at the request of the Chamber of Commerce we had "No Refunds or Exchanges" printed on the tickets. We did have a few situations as a result and possibly some lost good will. We are probably going to ask that in future there be flexibility around exchanges but we know it is always difficult to please everyone and this will be extra work for possibly a Producer or ticket manager. Anyway we have been invited to send in comments and suggestions. Meanwhile do you know of anyone that had a bad experience with this issue? Let Judith Scott know (613 253 2007).

FORWARD PLANNING. The process begun with Crag Angus as facilitator will be resumed soon with Brian McManus as leader. He will be asking for participants at the AGM. Meanwhile if you would like to know more, contact Brian at mr.canoehed@hotmail.com

***Show Proposal Reminder* - Tony Scott,
Show Development Officer**

May 28th is the time to present your show proposal to the Mudds Board! Contact Tony Scott at 613 253-2007/tonyscott@sympatico.ca for a time slot and/or assistance in filling out the proposal package which can be found on the Mudds web site.

We are looking for show proposals for Spring and Fall 2012, although others will be considered.

Auditions for "Alice in Wonderland" - Louise Link, Co-Producer

This is to remind you that auditions for the Mudds fall 2011 show are Saturday June 25th. (Rehearsals start in September.) If you would like an audition time-slot or if you'd like to talk to someone about this show, please contact Meredith Millman at 257-8930 or meredith_link@hotmail.com. For subsequent info, watch this spot, the Mudds website, Don Lee's link at <http://www.stuffthathelps.com/AIWinfo.html> and the local papers.

Please note:

1. These auditions are for principals and secondary characters only.
2. Chorus will be invited to join in September.
3. There are no summer rehearsals. The auditions are being held in June to allow music arrangements & costuming to get a head start.

Please mark your calendars!

The next MuddPrints will be coming out by June 22, 2011, so if you want something included please send it to me by June 19 at pcbear@rogers.com.

Mudds Calendar (2011)

May 28 (Sat)	9am	Board to Review Show Proposals	Tomahawk Technologies
June 8 (Wed)	7pm	Annual General Meeting	Library
June 25 (Sat)	9am	Auditions - Alice in Wonderland	Town Hall

Bat Out of Hell - Cory Ell - Tony Scott,
Phone 613-253-2007
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Cory, who played bass in Halfway to Heaven, has written a musical show based on the songs of Meatloaf. This is a first for Cory, and as a writer myself I know the courage it takes to put yourself out there. So, to get varied and supportive feedback for Cory on his brain-child, I thought we should set up a play reading for him. It would be really nice if we supported Cory in his endeavour, so please contact me if you have an interest in what the Mudds might be presenting to our audiences in the future. Way to go, Cory!

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.