

MUDDPRINTS

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The official newsletter of the Mississippi Mudds - July 2017



President's Report - *Stu West, President*

The other evening I had the pleasure of chairing the first meeting of the Mississippi Mudds Board of Directors for the 2017–18 year. The 2017–18 Board is made up of :- Stu West (President), Jan Ferguson (Treasurer), Jeff Lee (Past President), Kate Cooney (Secretary), Mark Piper (Show Development Director) and Linda Beiglee, Karen Lapointe and Kathleen Everett (Directors Without Portfolio). We are all looking forward to the Mudds' year ahead as we have an outstanding lineup of shows to present.

William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" will lead off the year with performances in the second half of October. Mark Piper is leading an enthusiastic cast of Mudds youth through rehearsals over the summer and into the fall. Karen Lapointe (Producer) and Katie Irvine (Associate Producer/Director) are also helping out with this production. This presentation will be followed by "Anne of Green Gables – The Musical" in late November and early December. Tickets for this show would make great Canada 150 or early Christmas presents! The show will be directed by Patti and Jon Lockhart, produced by Joanne Samler, with musical direction by Laurel Tye. In late February and early March we can all look forward to "The Little Mermaid, Jr." presented by the Mudds Youth. Kate Cooney and Karen Lapointe will combine to put our Mudds Youth through their paces. The show will be produced by Linda Beiglee with musical direction by Laurel Tye. Rounding out the Mudds season will be a "Broadway Golden Era Classic for All Ages", a presentation of "Guys and Dolls", to be presented in the middle of May. This show will be directed by Adam Pelletier, produced by Karen Lapointe, with musical direction by Laurel Tye.

All of these shows, with performance dates and ticket prices, can be found in our new brochure which will be available in a variety of locations in the near future. Or, you can visit www.mississippimudds.ca for the information.

Speaking of tickets, the Mississippi Mudds will have a **new outlet for ticket sales** for the upcoming season. Tickets will be available at the Chamber of Commerce building on Bridge Street, right across from the Town Hall. In addition to walk-in ticket sales, the Chamber is offering to take phone orders with payment by credit or debit card. You will still have to pick your tickets up. Chamber of Commerce hours of business are Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm and Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm. Tickets will also be available at the door for all shows. Tickets will not go on sale until four weeks prior to the opening night for shows.

I would like to say "Thank You" to my fellow Board Members for their dedication, effort, and support as we embark on an exciting year of live theatre in Carleton Place.

Mudds Scholarships Awarded

CPHS - Evan Straby. Evan volunteered at some point in his high school career on a MUDDS production (doing some set-up and serving as an usher/ticket taker). The bulk of his volunteer hours, however, have been at CPHS with the in-house drama productions. Throughout his high school time, Evan has been an actor, worked on costuming and props, done set-up and take-down, etc. -- he's been in the middle of it all. Theatre is

definitely a passion for him. He was a part of the cast that participated in the Sears Festival this year. His long-term dream involves living in New York City and being a professional actor. Very cool! In the meantime, Evan is headed to the University of Toronto in the fall. He has been accepted to their architecture programme and their theatre programme. I'm not sure that he's definitively accepted one or the other, but I do know that even if accepts architecture, he plans to do a minor in theatre and to remain engaged in that community.

NDHS - Kiera Uriarte. Kiera has been a member of the MUDDS for a number of years and has been on stage with both the Mudds Youth and Mudds Adult productions. She also has worked on set design and done some awesome painting on the sets. She is a very worthy recipient of the MUDDS scholarship this year.

Twelfth Night - *Mark Piper, Director*

So, what's happening with the Shakespeare Group?

Well, the last rehearsal was somebody's birthday - I won't reveal whose - so we had cake and fudge, brought by the cast. All of us exceeded our recommended monthly sugar intake, and were as a consequence bouncing off the walls and speaking Shakespeare at three thousand miles per hour.

Just like we do when we don't have cake and fudge.

Okay. Seriously - the play has been cast: we have thirteen people between the ages of thirteen and eighteen years (and one more younger than thirteen).

Producer Karen Lapointe and Associate Producer/Director Katie Irvine are going over ideas for costumes and set dressings right now - the plan right now is to set the play in the 1920's.

Right now, Director Mark Piper is taking the actors through scene rehearsals in a mix of modern English (a translation of the original) and the original Shakespeare.

We rehearse twice per week, so we should be ready to go scheduled performances in the final two weeks of October. Tickets will go on sale in late September, so book them early.

Anne of Green Gables - The Musical - *Jon and Patti Lockhart, Directors*

Greetings from Avonlea! We are eagerly anticipating the start of rehearsals at the end of August. The production team has been a busy bunch for weeks now. We can already see "Anne's" world beginning to form! The cast now have their scripts and they are busy learning their parts. Many of the cast are fortunate enough to actually visit Prince Edward Island over the summer which we have no doubt will help add to the production. Anne of Green Gables - The Musical is an endearing, Canadian classic and we are so ecstatic about working with everyone on our team to make this production a show to remember. Your Kindred Spirits - Jon and Patti

Anne of Green Gables - The Musical - *Joanne Samler, Producer*

After a very successful audition day, we are pleased to announce the cast of Anne of Green Gables - The Musical:

Anne Shirley - Cameron Hunter
Marilla Cuthbert - Michele Eno
Mathew Cuthbert - Chris Jones
Diana Barry - Olivia Scott
Gilbert Blythe - Callum Leroy
Josie Pye - Abbie Giles
Rachel Lynde - Sylvia Giles
Miss Stacy - Stephanie Scott

The Ladies of Avonlea:

Mrs. Sloane / Mrs Spencer - Trish Smith
Mrs Barry - Janis Nutty
Mrs Pye - Elaine Grimsey
Mrs MacPherson - Laura Hunter
Lucilla - Julie Kevan
Mrs Blewett / Prissy Andrews - Julie Hunter

The Men of Avonlea:

Mr. Phillips - Adam Pelletier
Cecil the farmer - Mike Fletcher

Earl the mailman - Calvin Beaulieu
The Minister / Station Master - David Andrew

The Pupils of Avonlea school:

Tillie Boulter - Kirra Martin
GertiePye - Abigail Terry Shaver
Ruby Gillis - Abigael Gray
Minnie May (Avonlea pupil) - Dorothy Lockhart
Moody MacPherson - Dan Scott
Charlie Sloane - Jack Lockhart
Tommy Sloane - Colm Cooney
Gerry Buote - Cameron MacLaren
Willie Boulter (Avonlea pupil) - Holden
Anderson

Some new names and some very familiar ones
to our Mudds audiences. It is a wonderful mix.

More updates next month.

From the Editor - 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.

Know that I welcome articles monthly, be it
from members, former members and people
involved in current productions. The deadline
for the next edition of Muddprints is August
20. I would love to hear from you. It doesn't
have to long, just of interest to Mudds
members and fans.

Happy Birthday wishes go to members past and present who are celebrating their birthdays between
July 22 and August 21: We hope you have a lovely day :-)

Meagan Brodie	Jul-24
Mary Alexander	Jul-26
Gillian Whitlock	Jul-28
Jenny Pfitzer	Jul-29
Catherine Clark	Jul-30
Sharon	Jul-31
Mary Marten	Aug-02
Ayden Baldwin	Aug-04
Kate Martin	Aug-05
Adrian Osborne	Aug-05
Christine Dever	Aug-08
Jenna Wicks	Aug-08
Stephanie Scott	Aug-08
Erica Danells	Aug-09
Judith Scott	Aug-10
Kiera Uriarte	Aug-12
Tracy Julian	Aug-13
Sydney Osborne	Aug-14
Ainsley Mohns	Aug-14
Kaleigh Irvin	Aug-15
Heidi Nephin	Aug-15
Janis Nutty	Aug-15
Hanna Pringle	Aug-16
Callum Leroy	Aug-17
Aiden Letemplier	Aug-18
Aurora Hardy	Aug-19
Olivia Grummish	Aug-20



Kevin MacMillan
Stephanie Stephens

Aug-21
Aug-22

Watch this space for more birthday celebrations next month :-) Karen Lapointe, Membership

The next issue of Muddprints will be published on August 22. The deadline for articles is August 20.

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Mudds Calendar (2017)

July 22 (Saturday)

Annual BBQ