

# MUDDPRINTS

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*The official newsletter of the Mississippi Mudds - March 2019*

**BREAKING NEWS: Tickets for *We Will Rock You* are SOLD OUT.**

## **From the President's Desk - *Stu West***

Where does the time go? Another Mudds Season is winding down to a wonderful curtain close. "We Will Rock You" is about to close out the 2018-2019 season with five sold out shows! Ticket sales increased enthusiastically right after the 'Flash Mob', performed by the cast of the show, was presented at Mitchell's Independent Grocer on April 6. Quite a few shoppers were taken by surprise, and then the social media networks took over with thousands of hits taking place on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Under the guidance of Kaz Lapointe (Director) and Sandra Dunlop (Producer) and Stephanie Stephens (Co-producer), the cast and crew have a truly entertaining show to present to those lucky enough to have a ticket.

At a Mudds Board meeting on Monday, April 15, a show proposal for "Mamma Mia" was presented and approved. This will occupy our Spring Show slot for next year and will welcome Meredith Millman back to the Mudds as Director with Joanne Samler acting as Producer. I know that many of our Mudds members will be looking forward to either performing in this show, or attending and singing along with the popular Abba tunes presented in this show.

As the year winds down, it is time for the Mudds membership to start thinking about our leadership for next year. The Board designated **Monday, June 17**, as the date for our **Annual General Meeting**. Please mark your calendar and as soon as we confirm a location we will let

you know. I have thoroughly enjoyed my two years as your President, but I will not be running for a third term. The May edition of 'Muddprints' will have a list of candidates for positions, as well as a list of vacancies that will need to be filled. Please consider taking a turn at helping to guide our company (as in, 'theatre company') through the next exciting year. Thank you to all of the people who generously helped me and made my two years so rewarding.

## **We Will Rock You (WWRY) OT OFF THE PRESS - *Karen Lapointe, Director***

We did it! 9 days before opening night we sold the last ticket. So no pressure then.... But everyone has been working so hard towards the next 2 weekends and it really is a great show. We kicked off the last few weeks with a Flash Mob in Mitchell's Independent on April 6th - one at 11 am and one at noon. They were great performances; Calvin was as cool as a cucumber as Stephanie Stephens cued the music and he casually walked up to the nearest veg display, smoothly dropped his coat and started singing. The first one was a little nerve-wracking, but the shoppers (and the Mitchells) loved it and our facebook and You Tube posts hit over 31,000 views and countless shares, in just under 12 hours. Stephanie sent in Dalene Gallo's video to CTV and it was shown 3 times on Monday. Ticket sales almost doubled in 24 hours. On April 14th we had our full dress rehearsal

and Stephanie had been at it again, inviting several groups to come along and watch the performance to help give the cast a feel for how to cope with the laughter and applause. We had just over 40 people come to watch it and they gave great feedback! They were clapping, singing and dancing and laughing in all the right places. The boost to the cast was perfect and the show ran smoothly thanks to all the hard work from Tracy and the band and all those behind the scenes and up in the balcony. So now our makeup team are readying their brushes, the costume team are taking a well deserved break and ready to see all their creations come to life and the numerous people doing numerous jobs that go into helping the cast deliver their story to 5 packed audiences are getting ready for 2 very busy weekends as well as Laura Bains and the FOH crew who, as always are there to help and support with smiles on their faces and a warm and friendly welcome. What a fine theatre group The Mudds is and what jaw-dropping talent we have here in the Lanark County area! I am looking forward to seeing every single performance and my excitement is getting harder and harder to contain. See you there!

**Nevada - Kate Martin**

Hi all - Have you participated or about to participate in a show this Mudds Season? Did your child star in the sellout Lion King Jr? Are you keen for the amazing upcoming season and to be involved again? Answered yes = then we need your help. Rights to shows, rehearsal

spaces, costumes, sets, town hall rentals all add up. Our volunteers all work tirelessly to be able to put the shows you love together. We need your help, Nevada has long been a source of money for the Mississippi Mudds. Its a constant income in and is what we need. Shifts for selling Nevada are only 3 hours long. Simple and by just sitting there you are helping us and making sure that we can continue to put you or your kids on stage. Go on !! Sign up. Contact [muddsmississippi@gmail.com](mailto:muddsmississippi@gmail.com) if you have any questions at all. This is a new schedule from April 28 to end of June. Thank you.

<https://signup.com/go/pTPQFyn>

**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](mailto: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 May1 20. I would love to hear from you. It doesn't have to be long, just of interest to Mudds members and fans.

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**Happy Birthday** wishes go to members past and present who are celebrating their birthdays between April 22 and May 22. We hope you have a lovely day :-)

Kayla Mills	Apr-24
Cameron Hunter	Apr-26
Colleen Taylor-Meyer	Apr-29
Sophie & Emma Hans	Apr-30
Mary Lou Carroll	May-01
Deanna Schutz	May-01
Jessa Jones	May-06
Andrew Hunter	May-09
Keegan Carr	May-09

Noah Emberg	May-10
Danette Hanneman	May-10
Gillian Wynn-Lawson	May-15
Kara Parisien	May-17
Leigh Gibson	May-17
Jane Lee	May-18
David Andrew	May-18
Karen Lapointe	May-19
Angele Girouard	May-21
Lilian Gray	May-21
Joanne Samler	May-22
Jon Lockhart	May-22

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

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

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***Mudds Calendar (2019)***

Apr 24 (Wed)	7:00pm-10:00pm	WWRV Rehearsal	Town Hall
Apr 26 (Fri)	5:30pm-10:30pm	WWRV Performance	Town Hall
Apr 27 (Sat)	5:30pm-10:30pm	WWRV Performance	Town Hall
Apr 28 (Sun)	11:30am-5:30pm	WWRV Performance	Town Hall
May 1 (Wed)	7:00pm-9:00pm	WWRV Get Together/Rehearsal	Town Hall
May 3 (Fri)	5:30pm-10:30pm	WWRV Performance	Town Hall
May 4 (Sat)	5:30pm-10:30pm	WWRV Performance/Party	Town Hall
May 5 (Sun)	10:00am-12 noon	WWRV Tear Down	Town Hall
May 11 (Sat)	1:00pm	CP200+ Information Session	CP Arena
June 1 (Sat)	10:00am-2:00pm	CP200+ Auditions	TBA
June 17 (Mon)	7:00pm	Annual General Meeting	TBA