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General Meeting on Thursday,
May 28, 7:00pm in the Craft Room.

Several members have not paid their \$10 annual dues for 2009 and have been placed in an inactive status. Inactive members will not receive monthly newsletters and cannot participate in little theater events. Active membership will be reinstated upon payment of outstanding dues. Please contact Jane Becker, treasurer, if you have any questions about your dues or wish to make payment. Remember, Heritage Hunt is for ACTIVE seniors...besides we miss you at our meetings

Art Moscatello, Membership Chair

The membership voted to donate a tree in memory of Jim Campbell. Dr. John Holland, a neighbor of Jim and Doris' has volunteered his time to water and care for the tree. The tree has been ordered and will be planted on a common area near where Jim lived on Charismatic Way. Jim was a talented and valued member of the HH LittleTheater, and he will always be with us in spirit.

From Jane Becker



AUDITION WORKSHOP— By Sandy Mills



Following the great turnout and response to the acting techniques workshop in April, we would like to offer another workshop to deal with preparing for auditions. Take the fear out of auditions (is that possible?) and learn to deal with potential rejection. Our instructor, Lisa Nanni-Messegee has asked to keep the group small so as to get the most benefit out of the workshop. However she is prepared to teach 2 separate groups, one in the morning, one in the afternoon if there is demand. Therefore, I am asking for a show of interest for attending a workshop on Saturday, June 20, from 9:30 - 11:30 AM. If there is sufficient response, we will schedule a second workshop in the afternoon for the overflow. Please call me at x5175 by 28 May to sign up for an Audition Workshop.



I am happy to introduce our newest member, Jean Gentry. Jean and husband, Richard, moved to Falls Church in 1960 and then to McLean in 1965, and most recently to Heritage Hunt to downsize and stay close to their two children and four grandchildren (including one set of twins). She taught school for ten years, including speech and drama classes, and also worked in a variety of positions for several companies. Jean retired from Towers Perrin Consulting, and Richard is a retired congressional staff officer. Jean likes to swim, knit, read, draw, paint and cook, not necessarily in that order. (If I had to guess I would say knitting is her favorite pastime since she never seems to be without her wool and needles...even when she attends our monthly meetings!) She majored in speech and drama at Occidental College in LA, has experience in acting, directing, and working with theater crews; and won special awards in oral interpretation. Jean joined our group to participate in the camaraderie of a little theater. Jean we give you a hearty welcome and look forward to you sharing your talents with our group.

By Art Moscatelo

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting - April 23rd, 2009

President Sil Zinicola called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Jane Becker reported a balance of \$9,072.73 as of April 23rd, 2009. Jane reported that arrangements have been completed for the planting of a tree on Charismatic Way in memory of our beloved member Jim Campbell.

Membership - Chair Art Moscatello reported no change in membership - (77 members).

Activities - Chair Joyce Mancini announced that the next Classic Movie Night would feature the film *West Side Story*. Showing at Joyce's home on Saturday, May 2nd 2009 at 7:00 PM.

Fall Production - Vice President Joey Wagner indicated that the goal of the Play Selection Committee is to select a play by July. Joey expressed concern that a director for the Fall Production has not come forward.

Reunion at Mt. Sanguine - Progress Report -- Show Producer Jane Becker reported that rehearsals are going great, the set is ready to be installed and that she knows the audiences will have a memorable, moving experience. Ticket Co-Chair Elena Portoles reported that ticket sales are doing very well.

NEW BUSINESS - Sandy Mills noted that a workshop on "How to Audition" is under consideration. She asked that members indicate to her whether they would be interested in participating in such a workshop.

Sandy announced that that the Heritage Hunt Bell Ringers would appear in concert on Sunday, June 14th, 2009.

Show Directors - President Zinicola initiated a discussion of problems related to finding a director for the Fall Show and other productions. He called for members' comments. A rather lengthy discussion followed with many members offering ideas and suggestions as to both the kind and the frequency of productions.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM. The next General Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 22nd, at 7:00PM in the Craft Room.

2009 Board of Directors

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