

PlayTime--The Newsletter of Heritage Hunt Little Theater

Come play with us!

February 2014

The HH Little Theater, *PlayTime*, is a new type (for us) of communications -- an e-zine. It is not meant to be printed out. However, if you do print it, you will miss out on much of the news that has links, which must be clicked on. These links are in blue and are underlined. Please read *PlayTime* on your computer or other device to get the full benefit. Thank you.

If you have any news that would interest HHLT members, please do share it by [emailing it to me](#). Thanks again.

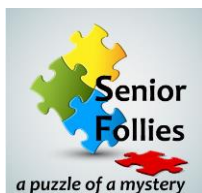
Check out, **Try This!**, the new section on the [HHLT website](#).

Break a leg

Bets Knepley, HHLT Communications Chair

Spring Play Update

by Co-Directors Ina Mayer & Bill Harrison



Senior Follies has been cast and rehearsals are under way. We were delighted that so many of our talented members auditioned for a part and it was difficult to make decisions. Thanks to all of you who braved the cold! In the role of Mildred we have Joan Patton. Ginny McCardle is Sara Jane and Valerie Bowman will be Bernice. Mary Glascock is Iris, Bob Bowman is Douglas, Rick Sullivan will be Howard and Lowell/Jack will be played by Tom Taggart. Our brand new member Georgiana Ide will play the part of Sybil/Sadie and Jim Burwell will be Mr. Rivers.

Dessert, coffee, tea and wine was enjoyed by the cast at Ina's as each cast member discussed his/her vision of the character being portrayed. We were thrilled with the backgrounds and motivation of each one and looking forward to see how these characters will be developed. All of us were hysterical with laughter as we read through the play for the first time.

We will need members to help read lines when an actor cannot be at rehearsal. Please e-mail [Joey](#) if you would be able to help us.

Thanks to all of you for your support.

Open House Recap

by Joan Patton

Thanks to so many helping hands, the Open House was very successful. We had 40+ members and 20+ guests. The food, posters, scrap books, props and all the costumed members helped make this a very enjoyable evening. We have already welcomed six new members and one of these is in the spring play! I hope everyone will be at our next meeting to meet and greet our newest members: Ellen Baker, Ginny Corcoran, Georgiana and Nick Ide, Charlotte Kennedy and Connie Young. [To Top](#)

Prez Sez...

Captains Log, Star-date 02.2014:

Starship HHLT-2014 launched its year long voyage in January with the HHLT Open House held at the Marsh Mansion. If you were not present you missed a great event. Judging by the response from the community this event was a great success. Kudos to Joan Patton for organizing this first ever open house from which the club picked up some new members. Rehearsals for the spring play are well under way and this production promises to be a lot of fun for both cast and audience. Start making plans now for an evening of fun with this comedy.

Steady as she goes helm, warp speed!

Tom

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Thurs, Feb 20--7pm

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Thurs, March 20--7pm

General Meeting
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Thurs, April 17--7pm

General Meeting
Craft Room

April 29, 30 & May 1

Senior Follies
Grand Oak Ball Room

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Two Volunteers Needed

Food & Beverage is planning an event for Sunday, June 22 -- a one-woman play by Elaine Bromka called [Tea For Three](#). It has been performed Off-Broadway and many places across the country. There would also be a rehearsal on Sunday, late morning/early afternoon.

Elaine has asked for two people who would help change out small props (no furniture or anything heavy) during costume changes. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact [Darlene Leffler](#) ASAP.

It might be fun to work with a professional actress. And as an added bonus, volunteers would receive an HH gift card.

Your Dues are due!



Treasurer Helen Esposito reminds you that your dues of \$10 pp are due! Please pay at our February 20 General Meeting or mail or drop it off at her house (6945 Cumberstone Place). Thank you.

Another Type of Performance Space

by Bets Knepley



This theatre group, [Theatre Unspeakable](#), performs the play, *Superman 2050*, on one tiny platform just 3-by-7 feet of space, using a seven actor cast. You may want to see it on Saturday, March 22 at 8pm at the [Alden Theatre](#) in McLean (\$20pp). The play is set in a fictional 2050 Metropolis with a remarkable resemblance to Chicago. The cast's imaginative, resourceful members use only their bodies and voices to create every prop, scene, sound effect and character in a battle between Superman and Lex Luthor.

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!!Brain Teaser!!

by Kathryn Schmiel

This month's brain teaser contains another piece of emotion-laden dialog from an HHLT production. Be the first to identify the play and e-mail [Kathryn](#) with your answer and win a modest prize. Here's the bit:

"I get it. I'm scum and you're all lily white. Ha, maybe I should say lily-of-the-valley white. I'm not good enough for the likes of you, am I, you snooty dame?"

Last month's winner was Don Jewell who correctly identified the lines as coming from *Judgment At Nuremberg*. The lines were spoken by Frau Bertholt. Don will receive his prize, a Starbucks gift card, at the February meeting.

A change in the rules: the contest is open to all HHLT members INCLUDING those who played the role quoted in the brainteaser.

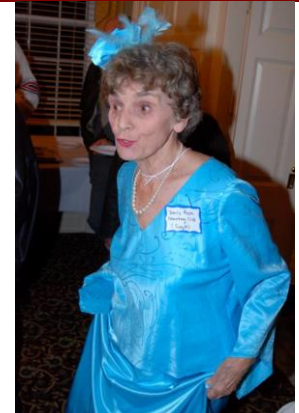
Play Reviews

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest

An Appreciation

by Kathryn Schmiel

When Fauquier Community Theatre decided to present the play of Ken Kesey's book *One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest*, director Leland Shook knew that he was pushing the



limits. A disturbing and sometimes repellent look at a 1950's mental institution and the treatment of its patients, the play is peppered with strong language and incidents of cruelty. Though not a play that would appeal to everyone, it is a play that we can all relate to. [Read More](#)

What She Wants

by Georgiana Ide

In the Director's Notes, Paul Bailey wrote, "We've all experienced loss.... The stages of grief are not linear and the timeline varies from person to person; and some, unfortunately, aren't able to move on. If you are fortunate, you will have empathetic people in your life who will help you keep going, who help you live with your wounds." So, so true for all of us.. [Read More](#)

AGENDA--February Meeting

For your information
please read the

[February General Meeting AGENDA HERE](#)

MINUTES--Nov 2013

There was no meeting in December 2013
January 2014 Meeting was the Open House

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