

Heritage Hunt Little Theater Play Time

Senior Theater at its best

January 2025

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Tom Taggart

President's Message by Tom Taggart

Avast there, maties! Woops, sorry, I regressed to my role in the last HHLT production. Welcome to 2025! Here we are at the beginning of a brand-new year. 2025 promises to be a great time to belong to HHLT. There will be fun social events, stage productions and field trips to see performances by other organizations. I hope you will be able to participate in all HHLT has to offer in the coming year.

Our next stage production, "Senior Follies", is well underway with Sally Peterson at the helm. This is going to be a fun little play, and we need lots of help from the membership to bring it to the stage. Even if you think you have no acting abilities, there is a boatload of behind-the-scenes jobs that are necessary to pull off a stage production, so here is a chance to get involved.

Please note that we have changed the date and time for the general meeting. We will now meet on the third Monday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the clubhouse Mountain View Room. So, mark your calendars so you don't miss out. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the January general meeting on Monday, January 20.

- Tom

Dues Reminder

HHLT dues are \$10 per year (individual/couple). Members who have been in HHLT for twelve years or more are exempt. Consider also becoming a Patron for an additional \$20.

Please bring payment to the January 20 meeting or mail to HHLT Membership Chairman Alec Winfrey at 6720 Buglecall Place. Cash or check accepted.

Dates to Remember:

Board Meetings —
February 4, 6:00 pm, location TBD (a board member home)

Membership Meetings
— January 20 and February 17, 4:00 pm, Mountain View Room

Spring Play, Senior Follies
— April 1-3

HHLT Fall Play, TBD — Oct. 21-23

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Director:

Sally Peterson

Producer:Mary Glascock
(assisted by
Helen Esposito)**Stage Manager:**Chris Clay
(assisted by
Marlene
Griffenhagen)

HHLT Spring Play — Senior Follies

The HHLT 2025 Spring Play is entitled Senior Follies by Billy St. John. The play takes place in the Pleasant Valley Retirement Community. A feisty divorcee and lovely widow who are constantly scurrying out of the reach of an amorous fellow resident breathes a sigh of relief when a new resident actually seems to enjoy Howard's advances. Skullduggery ensues as the woman turns out to be a con artist.

Pictures from auditions:**YELLOW HHLT**

reservation forms
will be available
February 17 at the
Club House

**Senior Follies Cast**

Mildred - Tina Mullins
Sarah Jane - Carolyn Cameron
Howard - Tom Taggart
Bernice - Valerie Morris
Douglas - Alec Winfrey
Iris - Helen Gillikin
Lowell/Jack - Billy Clay
Sybil/Sadie - Kathy Young
Polly - Elizabeth Loughnane
Mrs. Rivers - Paula Weaver

HHLT General Meeting Minutes—December 2024

The HHLT Annual Holiday Party was held on December 17th at the home of Rob and Tobi Brock. There are no meeting minutes, as there was no formal meeting. Pictures of the festivities are provided on the next two pages.

HHLT Holiday Party, 12/17/2024

Thank you Rob and Tobi for your gracious hospitality, sloppy joes and amazing frosted brownies!





January General Membership Meeting

January 20, 2025, 4 pm —Mountain View Room

Due to competition for space with many other interest groups, HHLT's membership meetings will be held on the third Monday of the month (except August and December), at 4 pm in the Mountain View Room of the Clubhouse.

Our next meeting is on Monday, January 20, 2025, and Sally has planned a fun activity for us—we will be screening a made-for-TV play called "*The Kingfisher*". The running time is just over an hour and was first shown on TV in 1982. Rex Harrison plays a celebrated author, Sir Cecil Warburton, who was in love with, and should have married Evelyn (Wendy Hiller) 50 years ago. Evelyn is driving home from her late husband's funeral and stops to see Cecil and Cecil is determined not to let her escape this time. His butler (Cyril Cusack), however, is not at all sure that this is a good idea and has his own ideas of how to



undermine Sir Cecil's attempt at a second wooing.

The film is based on a play by William Douglas Home, is a truly delightful story, and is an example of first class acting from 3 older actors.

Please remember to bring your dues (cash or check) to the January 20 meeting!

February General Membership Meeting

February 17, 2025, 4 pm — Mountain View Room

We will be celebrating the HHLT's 22nd Birthday at our February General Membership Meeting. HHLT began in 2003

with 28 members. More details about the meeting and our history to come....!

New Members

When you have the opportunity, please welcome our new members ...

Diane Leone

Denny and Kathy Fries

Peggy Sabato

Myrna and Carl Feigenbaum

Kathy Young

Maryann Lesnick

... who joined HHLT in 2024.

Upcoming Local Theater Options

ARTfactory's Pied Piper Theatre

Les Miserables – Youth Edition

Friday, Jan. 24 at 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25 at 2 p.m.

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Sunday, Jan. 26 at 2 p.m.

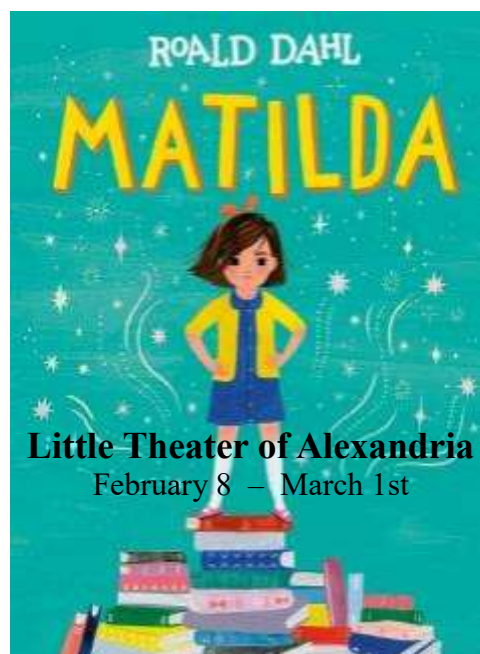
Hylton Performing Arts Center, Merchant Hall



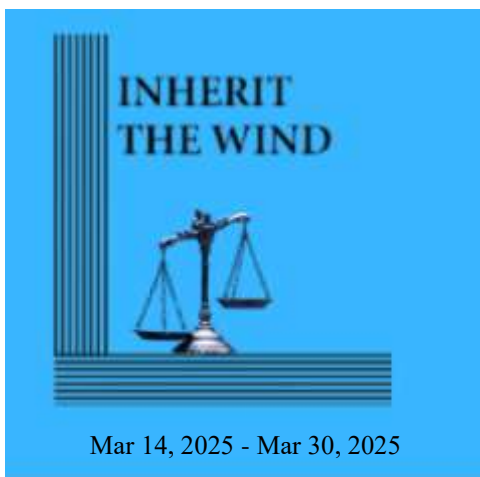
THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG

by
HENRY LEWIS,
JONATHAN SAYER
& HENRY SHIELDS

Jan 31, 2025 - Feb 16, 2025



Little Theater of Alexandria
February 8 – March 1st



Mar 14, 2025 - Mar 30, 2025



HHLT members
Gene Schmiel
and
Walt Meyer

have roles in
“Inherit the
Wind” at
Fauquier
Community
Theater,
March 14 — 30

HHLT Member Spotlight

HHLT President, Tom Taggart:

Where were you born?	Elkhorn, Wisconsin
Where did you grow up?	I like to tell people I was raised in Illinois and Iowa, but I grew up in Viet Nam
What was/is your occupation(s)?	I spent a little over 20 years in the Army, my last duty station was with the White House Communications Agency. After retiring from the Army, I worked off and on for 10 years for CACI as a project manager installing IT equipment for the government.
What is a little known fact about you?	I have a double major in Sociology and Religion. In my younger days, I was an amateur magician and ventriloquist. I also have a Ham Radio license, KN4UNR
What motto do you live by?	The Taggart family motto: Dom Spiro Spero (While I breathe, I hope).



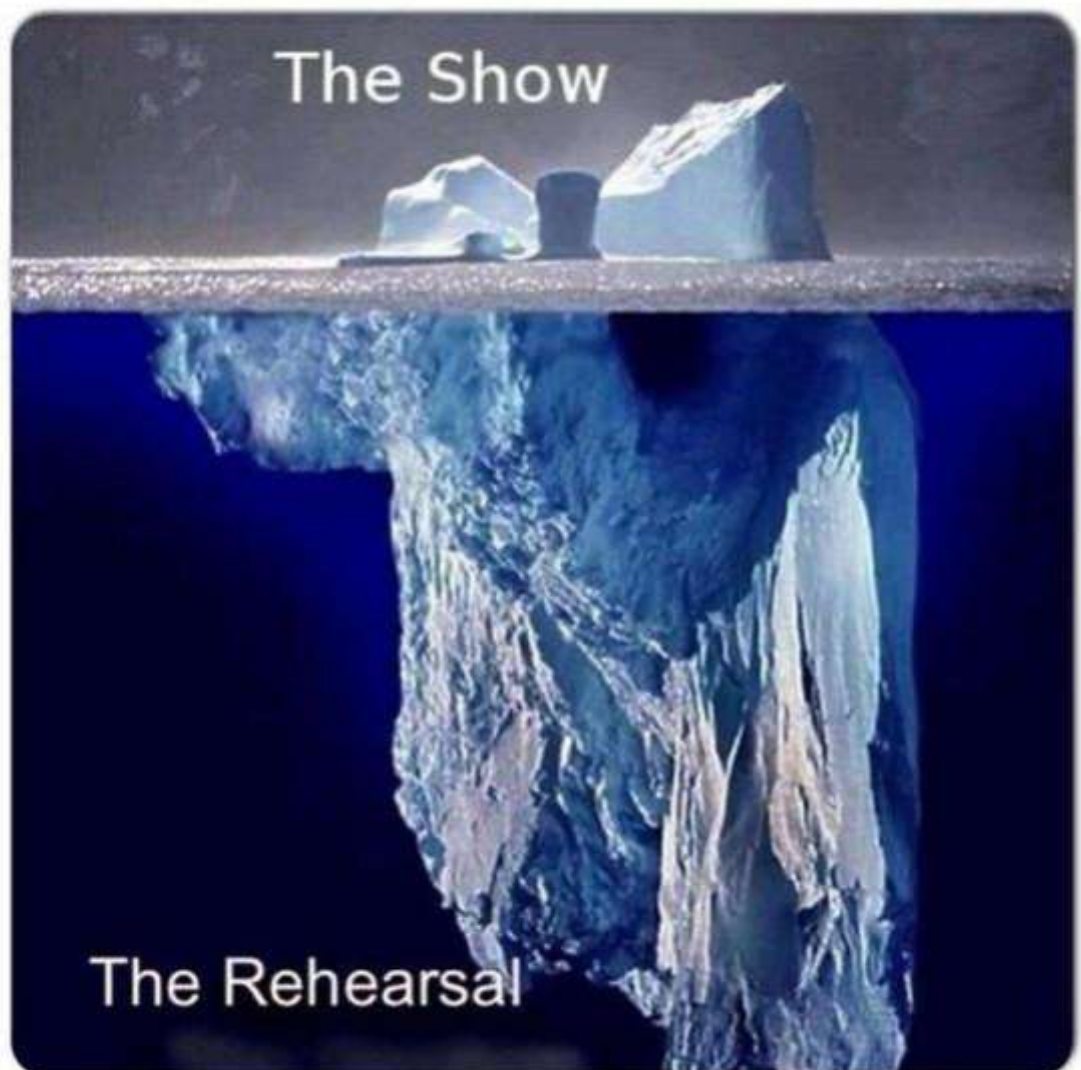
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Just 4 Fun ...**Monthly Trivia Quiz for January**

Match the late night talk show hosts and what they are known for:

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| 1. Steve Allen | A. Carnac the Magnificent |
| 2. Jack Parr | B. Collects cars and motorcycles |
| 3. Johnny Carson | C. Man on the Street |
| 4. David Letterman | D. Water Closet incident |
| 5. Ernie Kovaks | E. Stupid Pet Tricks |
| 6. Jay Leno | F. Nairobi Trio |

Answers next month!



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HHLT 2025 Board of Directors (Left to Right): Alec Winfrey, Sandy Grillo, Tom Taggart, Sally Peterson, Billy Clay, Helen Gillikin, and Gene Schmiel

HHLT Committees for 2025

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The Communications Committee provides general publicity, publishes the HHLT newsletter, coordinates with the website manager to maintain the HHLT website and social media, writes a monthly Horn article, and keeps members up to date on meetings, times, locations, special notices, and other matters. The chair is a non-voting member of the Board and attends monthly Board meetings.



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HHLT 2025 Communications Committee:
Maryann Lesnick, Andy Mays, and Kathy Carrico (not pictured)

HHLT Board Meetings:

Board Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month and are open to any members who wish to attend. Unless a certain matter is placed on the meeting agenda, attendance is for observation, not participation. Since board meetings may not take place at the same time and place every month, please alert the Secretary at least one week in advance if you wish to attend (to get current venue/time information). Copies of Board Meeting Minutes are available from the Secretary.

Our Mission

The mission of the Heritage Hunt Little Theater is to present live theater productions for the cultural education, entertainment and inspiration of the community; to foster and develop, through theatrical workshops and other appropriate means, the artistic talents and skills of its members and other interested persons; to engage in and subsidize social activities designed to foster the forgoing purposes of the organization as limited by federal and/or state laws.