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President's Message

Jane Guy

Our 3rd production, Ira Levin's thriller/comedy *Deathtrap*, was a great success as you will read later in the newsletter. Congratulations to the director, cast and crew for such an entertaining "bloody" evening. I overheard one audience member say they didn't realise it would be like *Sweeney Todd!*

Rehearsals and set construction and painting for our last play of the season, Woody Allen's comedy *Play it Again, Sam* are well underway and tickets are already on sale. We are pleased to announce that Russell Books on Fort Street is now one of our ticket outlets and thank them for agreeing to do this, now providing a convenient downtown location for our patrons.

The Executive have decided on our plays for next season and wish to thank our hard working (or should I say reading?) members of the Play Reading Committee for their excellent recommendations. We have now obtained the performance rights for the plays, and at their May meeting the Executive will be choosing the directors from among those who have submitted proposals. Please see the back page of this newsletter for the plays and the dates.

NEW next year - the Church has very kindly agreed to allow us to add Sunday matinees. The Executive feels this will be well received by many of our patrons who are not so keen to go out at night. Therefore there will be 12 performances for each production, including Saturday and Sunday matinees for both weeks (Note: only one Sunday matinee for first play).

Thanks to Neville Owen and Dave Hitchcock for cleaning and sorting out the Men's Dressing room. Now items are on shelves and we have a filing cabinet where archival materials are being stored safely. The Church has also given us much needed storage space in the Rectory garage which has alleviated the tight squeeze in the "glory hole" where scenery flats and large furniture items are stored.

Congratulations and best wishes to Lifetime Honorary member Dennis Kershaw and his wife Lynn on their Golden Wedding anniversary on May 7. Many members will know Dennis for his enthusiastic and tireless involvement with St. Luke's Players - as actor and director of many, many productions over countless years.

Jane



Play it Again, Sam - by Woody Allen
 Directed by Geoffrey J. Davidson



Woody Allen's Broadway hit is a comedy about a shy film critic, Allan Felix, who has trouble with women. He is consumed by movies, particularly his favourite film of all time, *Casablanca*, and has just been through a messy divorce. Unable to deal with this emotional turmoil, Allan seeks solace in the movies he loves, imagining that Humphrey Bogart has dropped by his apartment to offer him advice on dealing with the ladies "Dames are simple. I never met one that didn't understand a slap in the mouth or a slug from a forty-five".

Rehearsals and set construction are well underway. Director Geoff Davidson and Assistant Director Gerald Shieven have not even thought of 'a slap in the mouth'. The cast and crew are having fun and hope you will join them.

The Cast consist of some familiar faces from St. Luke's Players: Mitch Barnes, Jo Barnes, Deb Taylor, Ryan May, Elizabeth Brimacombe, and Tamara Malczewska, and newcomers Perry Burton, Victoria Reid, Alexandria Turner. We welcome them to the Players



In rehearsal

Alexandria Turner & Mitch Barnes



Mitch Barnes & Perry Burton

Tickets: Adults \$12
 Seniors & Students \$10

- Amica at Douglas House
 - 50 Douglas St
- Ivy's Book Shop
 - 2188 Oak Bay Ave
- Petals Plus Florist
 - 3749 Shelbourne St
- Russell Books
 - 734 Fort St
- At the door

Deathtrap - a thriller/comedy by Ira Levin

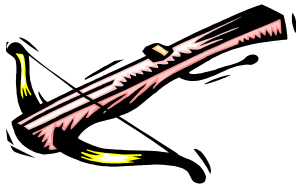
Directed by Neville Owen

Deathtrap was extremely well executed by Director Neville Owen and his talented cast and was enjoyed by larger than normal audiences. The costumes and set décor were authentic and pleasing. The effects were “bloody” brilliant, as was intention, and the wide array of weapons truly amazing. The actors absolutely shone. Twist after twist in the plot kept the audiences on the edge of their seats, never accurately able to predict what turn of events would occur. You can tell I was truly enthralled by the entire production. Congratulations to all who tirelessly worked together to bring us such an exciting, thrilling, captivating show to the St. Luke’s Players patrons.

Deb Taylor



Ryan May (Clifford), Chris Harris (Sidney)
and Catriona Argue-Black (Myra)



Brian Wyvill (Porter) and Elaine Lewis (Helga)







Director, Neville Owen



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<p>Winners of Langham Court's tickets to <i>Sylvia</i> were: Geoff Davidson, Valda Kitching, and Melanie Cummins</p> 	<p><i>Deathtrap</i> was 'bloody' brilliant! Intrigue, murder, blood and suspense. The array of weapons and the set décor were outstanding. The performances were magnificent.</p>	<p><i>Play It Again Sam</i> is well under way but... needs volunteers for the FOH and Concession Duties. Contact Geli Bartlett at ggreenie@telus.net</p>
<p>Wendy Cornack is the new co-owner of Oak Bay Flower Shop - now we know why she was taking all these mysterious phone calls during our recent Executive meetings!?</p>		<p>The 2010 /2011 season is set and directors will be chosen later in May. See below or visit our website at: www.stlukesplayers.org for play details.</p>
<p>Winners of Langham Court's tickets to <i>Silver Dagger</i> were: Quinn McTavish, Julie Newson and Pat Andrews</p> 	<p>Jesse Setka, our panto Prince Charming, had the role of hilarious General Howell for cast B and was the understudy for the lead (Red Graham/Petruchio) in cast A of CCPA's <i>Kiss me Kate</i>.</p>	<p>Rita Humphries directed the well received play <i>Sylvia</i> at Langham Court Theatre, where a dog comes between husband and wife.</p> 

Announcing our 2010/2011 season!

ARSENIC AND OLD LACE a full length comedy-mystery by Joseph Kesserling
 Oct 13 -16 and Oct 20-23 at 8:00 pm
 Matinees on Oct 16, 23, & 24 at 2:00 pm

ROBINSON CRUSOE a traditional Christmas panto by John Morley
 Dec 27, 29, 30 and Jan 1 at 8:00 pm
 Matinees on Dec 26, 27, 28, 31, Jan 1, 2 at 2:00 pm

SINNERS a full length comedy by Norm Foster
 March 16 - 19 and March 23 - 26 at 8:00 pm
 Matinees on March 19, 20, 26 & 27 at 2:00 pm

ON GOLDEN POND a full length comedy/drama by Ernest Thompson
 May 25 - 28 and June 1 - 4 at 8:00 pm
 Matinees on May 28, 29 and June 4, 5 at 2:00 pm

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NEW FOR NEXT SEASON – SUNDAY MATINEES