

Actorsingers Newsletter

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*** Annual Meeting ***

Monday, June 8, 2009

Social Hour 6-7 PM / Meeting 7 PM

Actorsingers Hall, 219 Lake St., Nashua, NH

The Actorsingers hold two business meetings a year, one in January and one in June. We encourage all members to attend these important meetings. This is *your* chance to be heard and express opinions on matters of relevance to the organization. We need to have as many members as possible attend in order to establish a quorum (25% of the *active* membership). This is so we can vote on issues brought to the floor as well as the Slate of Officers who will serve on the Board of Directors for 2009/2010. Our theatre group would not exist if it weren't for the dedicated volunteers who give of their time and energy. Please become one of them and plan on attending the meeting...and, of course, socializing! It is also at the Annual meeting that Life Membership, Awards for distinguished service to the organization and any Scholarships are presented. Come show your support on **Monday, June 8!** See you there.

Nominations for the Slate of Officers Board of Directors 2009/2010

Craig Neth – President

Mike Bradbury – Vice President

Tina Cassidy - Corresponding Secretary

Lindsay Vago - Recording Secretary

Cheryl Stocks - Treasurer

Dave Fordyce – finishing 2nd year of his term

Donna O'Bryant Metzger – finishing 2nd year of her term

Silvia Harper – finishing 2nd year of her term

Kathy LeClair – new 2 year term

Craig Brennan – new 2 year term

Amy Friedman – new 2 year term

Thank you to the Nominating Committee: **Glen Grimard, Chuck Emmons and Deb Walz.**

Voting will take place at the Actorsingers Annual Meeting, June 8, 2009.

Nominations to The Board can also be made from the floor for any position with the following stipulations: 1. Anyone who is nominated from the floor and not present at the Annual Meeting must submit a letter stating their willingness to accept a nomination. 2. Anyone nominated for President must have served on The Board within the past 10 years. 3. All who nominate and accept must be *voting* members: Two consecutive years of paying dues and *active*...involved in one Actorsingers sanctioned function per year.

-- In Memoriam --

Margaret "Penny" Tamulonis

December 1923 - May 2009

This incredible, tireless Life Member worked for The Actorsingers for over 50 years, even when illness forced her to cut back on her activities. Known mostly for her dedication to costumes and maintaining the costume rooms, Penny was also a Director, Past President, and first recipient (1978) of the "Penny" award - an honor recognizing dedication to the organization. She was indeed a "Golden Thread" - holding The Actorsingers together - rich with her sense of commitment and spirit of volunteerism. A tremendous asset who will be greatly missed.

This year's Actorsingers Scholarship will be named in Penny's memory.

Directors for our Fall show, *Anything Goes*:

Dana Bissett Siegal (Director), **Martha Daniels Holland** (Choreographer) and **Jed Holland** (Musical Director)

News From the Board: The next **Board Meeting** will be held on **June 2** at Actorsingers Hall.

Seeking Directors: The Actorsingers are seeking a director, music director and choreographer for our Spring 2010 main stage show, *Sweet Charity* which will be performed in Nashua at the Keefe Auditorium May 21-23. Interested candidates should forward a resume and cover letter to secretary@actorsingers.org by June 15, 2009.

The 2009 NHCTA Festival - The Actorsingers are looking for proposals for a competition piece, no longer than one hour, for next fall's NHCTA festival. E-mail Secretary@actorsingers.org before June 1. The 38th Annual Festival will be held Sept 12 and 13 at the Majestic Theater in Manchester, NH.

The Youth show choir is looking for a Musical Director, Choreographer and Producer for the 2009/2010 season. If interested, send email to secretary@actorsingers.org.

Nashua Holiday Stroll - It's never too early to plan this program. If interested, reply to secretary@actorsingers.org

The New England Theatre Conference will be held Nov 12-15 in Sturbridge, MA. The organizers are seeking people to run workshops on community theater related topics (egs. networking, fundraising, building audiences, etc) and to perform short plays at the conference. If you are interested in more information on presenting a workshop, send email to moedoucette@aol.com. If you would like to put together a group of Actorsingers to perform something at the conference, send email to secretary@actorsingers.org.

Thank you to the **Scholarship committee**: **Stan Polan, Glen Grimard, Deb Walz, Craig Neth, Kerry Schneider** and non-member **Brenda Poznanski**. We had an unprecedented number of applicants this year!

Thank you to everyone who was involved in our Spring show, *The Producers*. From the wonderful cast to the extraordinary crew, this technically difficult show came together to Wow our audiences. A Standing O to all!

***** Condolences *****

to **Jon Fisher** on the death of his mother



Teen Summer Show

July 31, August 1 and August 2

at the Janice B. Streeter Theater
14 Court Street, Nashua

Director: **Tim Stanley**

Choreographer: **Theo Martinez**

Musical Director: **Henry Kopzynskie**

Deb Ritrovato – Assistant Director/Stage Manager/Producer

Tom Ritrovato – Producer

Donna Salviati – Costumes

Rick Brooks – Lighting

Dan Richards - Sound

The Cast:

Dancers: **Sarah Wenrich & Tyler Stanley**
Trina Cardamone & Mark Lawrence
Kimberly Stanizzi & Daniel Schwartzberg
Brittney-Lynne Stanley & John Barsoian
Laura Franzini & Andy Harris
Bailie deLacy & Joe Rausa

Vocalists: **Rebecca Tarr**
Joe Harris
Natasha Rodriguez
Ryan Warren
Lanea Ritrovato
Brad Fernald

In and About Town – **Jed Holland** was the Musical Director for Yellow Taxi's recent one woman Cabaret starring Yolanda Farina. **Rachel Ihde** is part of Manchester West High School's show *American Women* and will be travelling to Scotland this summer to take part in the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. **Judy Hayward** will Musically Direct *Hot Buttons*, an original musical, for the Milford Area Players. Congratulations to **Ellie Morrill** on her engagement! Kudos to **Ben Levine** who wrote and Directed *Safe Prom*, a feature film for Nashua High School South's TV production program. Peacock Players recent production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* boasted **Chelsea deLacy, Alyssa Dumas, Andrew Holland, Tom Whalen** and **Nathan Schwartzberg**. Meanwhile, Nathan's dad, **Mark Schwartzberg**, was in the Palace's *Sweet Charity*. **Kerry Schneider** will be reprising her role of Ms. Darbus, the Drama teacher, in Ogunquit Playhouse's *High School Musical* this summer. Break a leg to **Josh Dennis, Mike Spaziani** and **Zach Bencal** who are in StageCoach's *Altar Boyz* this summer. In Peacock's *Spring Awakening* are **Alyssa Dumas, Samantha Migneault, Kyle Goleman, Taylor Morrow, Tom Whalen, Ben Levine, Dana Angellis** and **Josh Rotz**.

In a non-performing, but theatrically interesting bit of news...**Dave Ducharme** is organizing a pot luck dinner theatre at Actorsingers Hall this summer to raise funds for Cancer awareness. Exact dates aren't final, but check out **www.NHGivesBack.com** in the next few weeks to learn about the event. Good luck, Dave!

And lastly, we sold 4 Actorsingers mugs (black with gold trim) and have only 2 left in the inventory. If you would like one (\$6), contact, Kerry Schneider (ActingKer@aol.com or 888-2837)

Have a wonderful summer! Everyone will be hearing about our upcoming season very shortly. And, remember, Annual dues are due after June 30. You are invited to pay them at the Annual meeting, saving yourself some postage.

Until next time... news? call Kerry (603) 888-2837 or E-mail ActingKer@aol.com

We sincerely Thank our 2008/2009 Season Sponsors



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Mark these exciting ACTORSINGERS Dates on your calendar!!

- * **June 2 – Board Meeting**
- * **June 8 – Annual Meeting**
- * **July 31, August 1, August 2 – *Swing* – Teen Show**

Remember to check our Web site www.actorsingers.org for detailed up to the minute information
