

Muddprints



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Official Newsletter of the Mississippi Mudds

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Welcome to September fellow Mudds!

As usual 2008/2009 is shaping up to be a very busy year for us. Not only are we celebrating our 35th anniversary we have a calendar full of performances: *Noir Suspicions*, *Hercules*, *Mudds Singers*, *Bugsy Malone Jr.* and *Raise your Glass*.

Keep your eye on our website and the local papers for more details.

Mudds Bits

High School Bursaries

The Mudds will be donating two \$500 bursaries to CPHS and Notre Dame. These are presented to students furthering their education in the arts. We are looking for a volunteer to present at Notre Dame. If you are available October 8th please contact Judith Scott or Meredith Millman.

Mark your calendars

Noir Suspicions

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre
October 17 & 18, Carleton Heritage Inn
Tickets available now!

Auditions: Bugsy Malone Jr.

Saturday Oct 4th from 9 am - 1 pm
Town Hall Auditorium, Carleton Place
Please wear comfortable clothes & bring water.
8 - 13 yrs

Please register to audition with Kate @ 613-253-1388 or jakas@distributed.net

Rehearsals: Tues evenings CPHS cafetorium 6:15 - 8:30 until December and then Tues & Thurs evenings in Jan & Feb

Show dates: Thurs Feb 26 2009, Fri Feb 27, Sat Feb 28

Muddsingers Update

Muddsingers has had a very busy summer. After singing at the Wine and Cheese on August 9th we worked on a 40 minute program for Sounds Of Downtown. Sharing

the 3 hour event with Peter at Brushstrokes on September 6th was lots of fun and very well received by a large crowd. Tom on drums added that extra dimension. We are good, but Peter and Tom make us sound terrific. Pat and Meredith as co hosts Venus and Aphrodite added a note of zany charm. Now a few more rehearsals and two more concerts will wind up a very busy and satisfying 9 months.

Thanks to Winston for good humoured musical direction and to the current Muddsingers committee: Winston Hooper, Alina Jacques (Rep to the board), Trish Smith, Angela Sotiropoulos, Blaine Cornell, Sandra Dunlop and Judith Scott (Committee chair). Thanks also to Jim MacGregor for taking on the job of overall director for the concerts.

Sometime in late October we will be calling for new and or returning volunteers for this committee. Our job will be to review the music and activities of past 9 months and decide what to keep and what to discard. There are already suggestions and requests from singers and audience regarding new repertoire. Please contact Judith or any committee member to tell us if you would like to join the committee.

If you missed the other full length concerts then you can catch us at Franktown United Church on Saturday October 4th.

Board Meeting Highlights

If you would like a copy of the entire minutes please contact Judith, but here are a few highlights of business covered at our meeting on August 21st

Motions and resolutions

- That 5% of annual show generated profit for the fiscal year ending June 30th 2009 be given to a United Way sponsored charity.
- That an in memoriam donation of \$50 be made to the CP Hospital in the name of Dale Scott, long time friend and supporter of the Mudds
- Tony is managing a calendar of all Mudds activities. Everyone is encouraged to send dates and details of any and all activities to Tony.

Committee responsibilities

- The following board members volunteered to take on committee head responsibilities as outlined.
- Public Relations. Meredith Millman
- External Liaison Meredith
- Social and Personnel including Membership Pat Black
- Publicity Judith Scott
- Professional Development Tony Scott
- Fund raising including Nevada Jan Ferguson
- Properties Meredith

Schedule of Meetings for the year Board

Meetings will usually be held the 3rd Saturday of the month 10 am in the Silver Dart Room at the Heritage Inn. The next few meeting dates have been determined as follows: October 11th, and November 15th. Any member is entitled to attend.

Live Poets Society

The Live Poets Society (a.k.a. LiPS) is a group of people in Lanark County who perform Spoken Word Poetry.

Five of the members of LiPS have won the right to participate in the National

competition. This competition takes place in Calgary in November.

The National LiPS team is comprised of: Emily Kwissa, b!Wilder, Jonny D, Carolyn Ciccoritti, and **Leigh Gibson**.

LiPS has a CD of 23 poems, written and performed by 10 of the LiPS poets, which is available for sale. The cost is \$10.00 each. You can buy one from Leigh, or at several locations in Lanark County, including Read's Bookstore, Miller's Tale, CP Cinemas, etc. The money raised from the sale of the CD will go towards sending the First Rural Team to Calgary for the competition.

We have already raised \$1,500 through various efforts, and need a minimum of \$1,500 more to get our team there.

One upcoming event is on October 13th, 2008. It will be a "FRIENDLY SLAM" which will take place at Carleton Place Cinemas from 7 to 10 p.m.

How you can help:

- You could buy the LiPS CD
- You could donate some money to the LiPS national 2008 team
- You could do an in-kind donation which will serve as raffle prizes for people attending the Friendly Slam
- You could provide moral support to the team Thank you to anyone who chooses to support LiPS.

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