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UPDATE FOR BLACK AND WHITE MASQUERADE BALL

CLOTA's fundraiser The Black and White Masquerade Ball is still slated for September 20th at the SpringHill Suites located at 113 E. Sydnor Ave. Cocktail Hour is 6pm and Dinner will start at 7pm. Dress is Semi-Formal/Formal (example...most of us are wearing formal ball gowns).

Prices for plates are as follows:

- \$25 you get a raffle ticket and a commemorative pen.
- \$50 you get a raffle ticket, commemorative pen, commemorative keychain and 2 tickets to Spook House held at the USO.
- \$75 you get a raffle ticket, commemorative pen, commemorative keychain, commemorative mug, 2 tickets to Spook House at the USO and 2015 CLOTA membership.
- \$100 you get a raffle ticket, commemorative pen, commemorative keychain, commemorative mug, 2 tickets to Spook House at the USO, 2015 CLOTA membership and 2 tickets to any show in 2015 (you will still need to call and RSVP for the show).

On top of the various raffles we will be having during the night, we will also be doing silent auctions on various gift baskets, jewelry and even a bicycle. Who knows!?! If you are willing to donate to our cause please call me at 760-375-6154 or 760-608-3692 or Amber Thielen at 661-221-3742 so we can coordinate with you. Please remember that all donations are tax deductible!

Going on September 6th we will have the Vintage Costume Closet at CLOTA starting at 10am and going until 2pm. Prices for rentals are \$35 with a \$50 deposit. If you cannot make it during that time, please call me, Trish Modlinski (760-375-6154/760-608-3692) or Angie Pritchard (760-608-0851) and we will set up a time for you to try some on. Also available on the day of the ball will be the opportunity to get your hair, makeup or both done. Prices are \$15 for hair/makeup or \$25 for both.

We are working with a caterer so the menu may change, but we are trying to work with the following menu idea:

Prime Rib with a peppercorn crust, Chicken with a Hollandaise sauce, Vegetarian dish (TBD)
Roasted Rosemary potatoes, Steamed Vegetable mix (Broccoli, Cauliflower and Carrots most likely), Salad Rolls,

We have partnered with Partner's Bar in order to bring you various cocktails and they have created 2 special drinks just for our event. - Blueberry Vodka and Sprite and a Non mixed White Russian (bottom is black and top is white)

We are also working with a photographer to take individual or group pictures as well as Ted Lemon who has graciously agreed to be our DJ for the event.

Please remember to RSVP by September 10th to rc.clota@gmail.com or call Trish Modlinski at 760-375-6154/760-608-3692 or the CLOTA Hotline at 760-446-2411. Please let me know how many will be attending in your party and what prices your plates will be. The amount will be collected at the door so you can receive your tax receipt.

I look forward to seeing you there and sharing in this wonderful event.

Sincerely,
Patricia "Trish" Modlinski, CLOTA VP and Fundraiser Chairperson

Your Fundraiser Committee
Angie Pritchard, Amber Thielen-Reinhold, Greg McAlister
Jenna Countess-Tamblyn, Bri Hardwick



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ENJOY SIMPLE PLEASURES

THE COMMUNITY LIGHT OPERA AND THEATRE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 23, 2014

The regular meeting was called to order at the CLOTA Building at 6:10 p.m. by President Larry Lier.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved.

Treasurer Angie Pritchard gave her financial report.

The next meeting will be on Sunday, Sept. 21, at 2 p.m. at the CLOTA Building. Meeting will be on Sundays. The October meeting will be on the 26th at 2p.m., followed by the General Membership Meeting at 3 p.m.

Brian Wulfekotte proposed to the board that an Off-Broadway show called *Dream of the Burning Boy* be presented by CLOTA as a fundraiser. He has a degree in Theatre and would direct the show. After discussion of the show, possible dates, timing in relation to our regular season, and costs, Greg made a motion to offer *Dream of the Burning Boy* in January. The motion passed.

Amber Thielen will be CLOTA's new publicist to coordinate all non-show specific publicity. Various ideas for increasing CLOTA's visibility in the community were discussed.

As Bees in Honey Drown has been cast. Rehearsals start on Sept. 2 and will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Performances will be on Nov. 7, 8, 14, 15, and 16. The 22nd and 23rd are being considered. Trish Modlinski is the board liaison for Bees.

Ticket packages for the Black and White Ball on Sept. 20 were discussed. Including two tickets to a regular 2015 season production was approved. Reservations will have to be made, as they are for any show. Other details of the event were discussed.

Costume rentals for the Black and White Ball will be on Sept. 6 from 2-6 p.m. The cost will be \$35 plus a \$50 refundable deposit.

The building interior remodel is in progress.

An update on the new website was given.

There was only one submission for a new CLOTA logo, and that was Greg's reworking of the current one.

We are still looking for material on a couple of shows for the yearbook.

The Spook House committee continues to meet.

The Nominating Committee, Greg McAllister, Pearl Woolam, and Angie Pritchard, are gathering names for board candidates for next year. Jenna is not running for reelection.

Larry has appointed Brie Hardwick to fill the current opening on the board, and she was approved.

Margaret nominated Pearl Woolam to be chairman of the Anniversary Committee, and she was approved. Barbara will be vice chair. Pearl introduced a proposal to have the attendees at the October General Meeting help select possible productions for next season.

The proceeds from the spook house will be divided as follows: CLOTA, 30 percent; RCTT, 30 percent; and the Historical Society, 40 percent. RCTT provides most of the manpower for the event.

The meeting was adjourned.

As Bees in Honey Drown update.

Auditions were held for *As Bees in Honey Drown* on August 15th and 16th and the turnout was spectacular. The final cast list was posted and parts have been accepted.

Kevin La Brie - Evan Wyler

Brianne Hardwick - Denise, Bethany and Alexa understudy

Andy Anderson - Kaden

Brandon Ramp - Ronald, Royalton Clerk and Waiter

Gabriel Gutierrez - Mike

Elan - Secretary

Krista Castillo - 2nd back up singer, muse

Pearl Woolam - Carla, News Stand Woman

Heather Blanchard - Alexa Vere de Vere

Monica Lorenz - Photographer, stage manager

Nate Clair - Swen

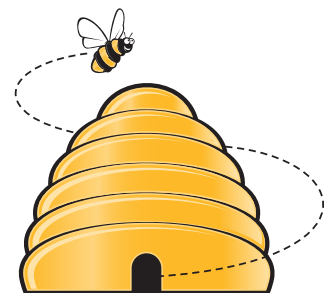
Sebastian Lorenz - Skunk

Amber Thielen - Amber, Back up singer and 2nd Muse

Wes Abdi - Ginny

Amber Stull - Illya

Rehearsals for this show begin on September 2nd and will debut November 7th.





VOTE FOR THE 2015 SEASON!

As a part of CLOTA's 50th Anniversary, you will be allowed to choose two of the 2015 Season's shows, drawing from the rich history of CLOTA productions.

How will this work? First, 2005-2014 are too recent, with the exception of Readers' Theater productions. The 1965-2004 Seasons, has been looked over by a committee. Those plays that logistically just won't work for CLOTA, at this time, have been weeded out, narrowing the choices down to 15 musicals & 15 plays.

Synopses of the shows still in the running will be provided on the CLOTA facebook page, next to CLOTA's Center Stage's front door, and hopefully on the website. You'll have until CLOTA's General Meeting in October to make up your minds. And you'll need that time; there are going to be some hard choices. But feel free to campaign for your favorites on the - Facebook page.

Now for the caveats: Only paid Members will be allowed to vote. If you've been in a show this year, you've paid your Membership fees, so you are already a member. If you're not a Member, you'll be able to sign up for Membership at the beginning of the meeting (\$15 single, \$25 family, get there early!), and when you do you'll not only be allowed to vote, but your Membership will last through 2015. Anyone who hasn't signed up by a specified time in the Meeting, will not be allowed to vote in the Primary.

The other caveat is that to vote you must be at the October General Meeting. No absentee ballots.

Every Member present, will be given a list of the 30 shows, and 2 votes, for the remaining two shows of the Season (the first show has already been chosen). Members may use them as they choose, but keep in mind that we have a Musical Gala in November 2015, so only one musical will be chosen.

As the October General Meeting continues, auditors will be busy counting your votes. At the end of the Meeting, the top 5 musicals and 5 plays will be voted on, in our final vote. This time, we will send you home after you vote. In true CLOTA tradition, the winners will be posted at CLOTA, and on the Facebook page.

If you think you may want to direct on of the plays, make sure you have submitted an application (if you have in the past, it's still valid), because as soon as the selections are made public, the committee dedicated to choosing directors, will begin accepting proposals for the shows.

2015 is OUR 50th Anniversary; yours and mine, newbie and old-school, and we want everyone to feel that they are a part of the celebration. Let us know if you want to contribute in some way. rc.clota@gmail.com.

MUSICALS

The Secret Garden
 Once Upon a Mattress
 Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street
 South Pacific
 Sugar – (Some Like It Hot)
 Camelot
 Man of La Mancha
 My Lady Fair
 Cinderella
 She Loves Me
 Dames at Sea – the first show at Center Stage,
 directed by Bill Blanc
 Oklahoma!
 A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum
 Company

PLAYS

Lend Me a Tenor
 A Midsummer Night's Dream
 Forty Carats
 The Children's Hour
 As You Like It
 Come back to the Five & Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean
 Lilies of the Field
 Hadda Gabler
 Charlotte's Web
 The Lion in Winter
 Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?
 Here Lies Jeremy Troy
 Bullshot Crummond
 Dear Brutus
 Bell, Book and Candle

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*Denotes term expires in 2014

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Indian Wells Valley Events

As Bees In Honey Drown
 August 15 Auditions for As Bees In Honey Drown, 6-8m
 August 16 Auditions for As Bees In Honey Drown, 2-4pm
 Performances November 7th, 8th, 14th, 15th, 16th,
 21st and 22nd at the CLOTA Center Stage Theatre.

Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
 Performances September 4th, 5th, 6th and 10th, 12th,
 13th at the Parker Performing Arts Center at Burroughs High School.

CLOTA Fundraiser Black & White Masquerade Ball
 A Night of Dinner, Dancing and All Things Theatre,
 September 20th at SpringHill Suites in Ridgecrest.
 Plates are \$25, \$50, \$75 and \$100.
 Cocktail Hour begins at 6pm with Dinner at 7pm.

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