

Encore Theatre Company News Letter

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Message from the Prez.

What a great year for Encore and its membership. There have been lots of great things happening and it's hard to mention only a few. From the productions, Business Expo, Bylaws, 2 seasons that will be voted on, Benefactors Party and our annual membership meeting, our membership has been very involved this year. Thanks to everyone for your willingness to work...it takes all our members to have a successful theatre company.

I am looking forward to seeing all of our members at the next meeting in April. It is very important that everyone attend in order to have enough membership present for a vote on the revision of Encore's Bylaws and Policies. The committee has been working on this for several years and of course some of the items from Sharon Cantor's seminar are included. I encourage everyone to read them carefully and be present April 2nd. The membership decided at our last meeting that we would have pizza and beverages after the meeting. I hope to see each of you there.

HAPPY APRIL FOOL'S DAY

Janet

Next Meeting is on Wednesday April 2nd at 6:00 PM

Major issues to be discussed

Update on the "Over the River and Through the Woods"

Update on Benefactors Party

Update on Membership Dinner

Vote on changes to Bylaws & Policies

Update on Reading Committee

Our normal business agenda.

"ODD COUPLE"

DVD copies of the production "Odd Couple" are available for \$10 to cover costs. Please contact Mary Cherry if you would like to have one.

Nominations for Next Years Officers

Please let the Leadership Chair Tom Cherry or any member of that committee know if you are interested in running for office next year and what position you might be interested in. The vote for officers for 2008 - 2009 will be conducted at the June membership meeting. Florida won't be handling this count.

Benefactors Party

The Benefactors Party will be held May 22, 2008 from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Mary and her committee are working very hard on a theme and a location. If you are interested in helping please contact Mary Cherry.

Annual Membership Meeting

Encore will hold its Annual End of the Year Dinner and Membership Meeting on June 6 at Montero's Restaurant. Cocktail hour will start at 6:00 PM. Dinner and meeting to follow. Sylvia will be letting you know more & more as this event gets closer. For menu selection and reservations you can see her at our next meeting. Encore will be picking up half of the member's cost for dinner only. Let's get together to acknowledge what has been, what is, and what is to be. Members, do bring your guest, they are most welcome. It's only \$14.25 for a fabulous evening of being together. Guests are \$28.50. Bring your money and fill out the form with your palette desires and give it to Sylvia Williams at the next meeting.

"Don't Hug Me"

Congratulations to the cast! What a great job! Thank you to all that helped out on the last workday and strike. We had a lot of help, which made things go away fast. A perfect party thank you so much to the host Darryl & Rebecca Cross.

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"Over The River and Through The Woods" Casting & Rehearsals

Our final production of the season, Over the River and through the Woods, is cast and rehearsals are underway. A workday has been scheduled for March 29, 2008 from 9:00 - 11:00AM in order to get curtains hung and other things accomplished. This is a funny and touching comedy with many hilarious scenes that is sure to tickle your funny bone. Tickets will be going on sale soon at Clown'n Around and UPS Store. If the last two shows are any indication you will want to get your tickets from any scalper you can find. Just kidding!

Christine Crosland - Director
Janet Klein - Producer
Denise Jones - Stage Manager

Our Stars include:

Ray Jones - Frank Catherine Franklin - Aida
Chet Day - Nunzio Kathleen Addison - Emma
Garrett Maroney - Nick Sarah Hess - Catlin

Design Encores Brand/Logo

Encore needs your help in designing a Logo/Brand. Please submit them to Janet for consideration & selection. Many companies and organizations use them to identify themselves quickly such as the Apple computer Red Dot.

Member News

Congratulations and a BIG WELCOME to our New members Robin & Rachel Bateman who joined Encore last month. Please give them a big ETC Welcome.

Congratulations and best wishes to Bill & Dawn Cogger. The Grandparents received twins. Please congratulate them when you see them.

Condolences to Art, Peggy & Erik Bleich on the passing of Art's brother. Our thoughts & prayers are with you.

Members Idea Brings Exposure/ Benefits for Encore

Kyleen Kendall, AKA Member at Large has been busy coming up with many ideas to expose more of the community to Encore and "Quality Community Theatre. She is in the process of creating a My-Space Page to do just that. Kyleen also has volunteered to develop, run and manage the page for Encore. She is scheduled to report to the membership at the next meeting. Great Job! It's no wonder she works for the Daily Advance.

Member Of the Month

CONGRATULATIONS TO "Patricia Throckmorton"

Since joining Encore a few years ago, Pat has been a very hard working member. She most recently served on the committee for the Business Expo, is chairman of the Scholarship Committee and was Co-Producer for "Don't Hug Me". She is also an accomplished author and volunteers with Guardian Ad Litem. She has been a huge asset to Encore and is always willing to help. Her hard work and dedication makes her Encore's Member of the Month. Thank you for everything you have done and continue to do.

Director's Call & Play Recommendations

The play reading committee continues to be very busy. Thanks to all who have submitted shows and those who volunteered to direct. Please let the committee know if there is a show you would like to see Encore produce or if there is a show you are willing to direct. We will have a season for the year 2009-2010, two years in advance, ready for a vote in May. This should give Encore a little more breathing room in the scheduling and publicity department.

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Upcoming Events

Membership Meeting Wednesday, 2 April, 6:00 PM Main Street Stage, Main Street Elizabeth City

Work Day for the "Over the River and Through the Woods" March 29, 2008 from 9:00 - 11:00 AM, Main Street Stage

Opening Night Reception for "Over the River and Through the Woods" April 25, 2008 immediately follows the production at Cypress Creek

"Over the River and Through the Woods" April 25, 26, May 1, 2,3, 9,10 @ 8:00 PM Main Street Stage, Main Street Elizabeth City

Annual Benefactors Party in May 22, 2008 @ 6:30 PM, Location TBA

Annual Membership Meeting and Dinner 6:00 PM June 4th at Montero's Restaurant in the Green Room

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!

Rebecca Cross - April 1 Karen Day - April 11
Hilary Dietrich - April 13 Art Bleich - 14 April
Rick Boyd - 14 April

If I forgot you, please update your information with Rose Donahue

If you have newsworthy items that you want included in the next Encore Newsletter please email them to dandjklein@simflex.com by the 15th.