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NEW SEASON!!!

GOOD NEWS!! The shows for YCT's 2008-2009 Season have been selected.

"It's A Wonderful Life" will open Nov 21. Bob Rammelt will be the Director for this adaptation of this well known classic.

The huge musical hit **"South Pacific"** is slated to open Jan 9th. This huge production will be directed by Fred Brown.

The comedy **"Don't Dress for Dinner"** will open Mar 21st. John Herrera is poised to continue his streak of direction fantastic comedies.

All shows will run for three consecutive weekends.

Information concerning auditions and ticket sales will be posted on our Web Site, and published in our Newsletter, as it becomes available.

Membership Status

Yuma Community Theater now boast approximately 200 paid members. The Board appreciates each and every one. Membership benefits include our mailing list, voting, periodic newsletters, and participation in any productions.

Our Membership dues allow us to continue to bring quality live theater to the Yuma Area. The dues are \$10 annually, and encompasses the entire YCT Fiscal Year, (June 1st, to June 1st). Dues paid after March 1st are credited towards the next years membership.

Ensure your membership remains current by completing the attached membership form with your payment, or by attending the Annual mem-

MEMBER INPUT

Our organization could not exist without the combined efforts and ideas of our members. Your Board is constantly soliciting input.

If you have any ideas, suggestions, or comments please relay them to your Board. We are actively seeking input on information to include in the Newsletter and WebSite.

Please send any comments or suggestions, or any information that **SHOULD** be included in the Newsletter or Website to info@yumacommunitytheater.org.

ANNUAL MEETING

It's that time again. YCT's annual membership meeting will occur on the 14th of June. Everyone is invited!!! Plenty of food and refreshments!! This is a great time to speak out, meet your fellow theater lovers, and enjoy the camaraderie of this organization.

The Board of Directors will give a report on the past season and discuss the 2008-2009 season with the members.

Three Board positions are expiring, and elections will be held to fill those seats. The term of a Board member is THREE years. The terms are staggered so that three positions expire every year. For the Board Members whose term expires this year, please see the list on the first page. At this time there are FOUR nominees- Ingrid Burton, John Grundon, Patti Perry, and Joann Kidd. Additional nominations will be accepted at the Annual Meeting.

If you wish to vote for the Board, but will be unable to attend, you may request an absentee ballot. A request can be made from our website www.yumacommunitytheater.org.

The Membership will also vote on Ratification of La Rae Gray's position on the Board. La Rae was appointed to the Board when Bill Slicker resigned.

We need a diverse, dedicated and well rounded Board to continue YCT's success. This organization draws it's strength from it's membership, but a well rounded diverse Board will ensure that Yuma Community Theater continues to delight audiences well into the future.

A new set of Bylaws will be submitted for approval at the meeting. (See accompanying article).

The festivities will begin at 1PM and continue until ??? The location is "The Yuma Community Food Bank" 2404 S Engler Avenue., (off of 24th Street).

Bylaws Committee

The annual meeting of the general membership of Yuma Community Theater will be held on June 14, 2008 at 1 pm at the Yuma Community Food Bank, 2404 South Engler Avenue. A revision of the bylaws will be voted upon by the membership at the meeting. President Ralph Gray appointed a committee to revise the bylaws. Committee members Fred Brown, Robert Rammelt, and John Paul Plante recommended to the Board of Directors that a complete new set of bylaws be adopted to replace the current bylaws. This new set of bylaws was passed by the Board of Directors at the April 7, 2008 regular board meeting and recommended to the membership. Bylaw changes must be approved by the membership. The proposed new bylaws may be found on the Yuma Community Theater website at <http://www.yumacommunitytheater.org/bylaws.html>. Also members can request a set of the old bylaws, the new bylaws, or both by writing to Yuma Community Theater, PO Box 10729, Yuma, AZ 85366 or by calling the Yuma Community Theater telephone at (928)919-4876. Copies can also be obtained by calling or writing the treasurer, John Paul Plante at 2290 E 24th Pl, Yuma, AZ 85365, (928)210-4380, or by e-mailing him at johnpaulplante@hotmail.com.

EQUIPMENT CONSOLIDATION

YCT is currently consolidating and inventorying it's equipment. If you have any YCT equipment, (Two way Radios, Costumes, Tools, etc...), please contact a member of the Board of Directors, or call 919-4876 with details.

During a hectic and busy season such as we've just experienced, it's easy to lose track of items. In order to adequately prepare for the next season, we need to be aware of the location of all assets.

Thank You in advance.

SPRING CLEANUP

As mentioned in the above article, some things are postponed during a hectic season. The cleanliness of the facility at 301 Main Street is one of them. The Board has scheduled a clean-up and re-decorating of our working areas.

We will clean all the areas of the building that YCT is using. We will also evaluate and rearrange all of the equipment stored there.

The Board has volunteered and is looking for additional personnel and cleaning materials. EVERYONE is encouraged to participate during some part of the process. The length of time required is totally dependent on the number of people attending.

The event is scheduled for Saturday May 24th at 8AM until ??????. Please consider assisting.

“Run for Your Wife” Comments From the Director and Staff

KUDOS AND THANKS TO ALL!!

Friends, we were extremely fortunate and extremely grateful for the terrific turnout we had for “Run for Your Wife”. It's very gratifying for ANY show to hear an auditorium resounding with laughter, (ours was a comedy), and see the audience leave the building obviously very satisfied.

As a director, I am forever amazed at the terrific talent that we continue to draw from our community. Our cast had talent second to none. My sincere thanks to **Shara, Jozlyn, Larry, Bob, John, Bruce, Ed, and Huston**, (the cast). If these names don't seem familiar to you, that could mean that you missed our fine production. If so, you missed a really special treat. It was my pleasure to work with this fine set of dedicated players.

All three shows of our 07-08 season did a splendid job and I feel YCT can be very proud of a job well done. My wife, Lynn, and I attended all three shows, (Okay, I was in one of them), and thoroughly enjoyed them all!!

Please “stay tuned” for our 08-09 season. It promises to be another incredible adventure of theater merriment. We are looking for others to join us in our “labor of love” efforts. This is what community is all about.

JUMP ON IN!!!!

John Herrera

Y.C.T. MEMBERSHIP DUES FORM

Please find enclosed \$_____ (\$10.00/member) for the membership of the following persons.

Name: _____ Phone: _____
address: _____

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if there are additional persons you wish to have become members, and don't have the room on this side of the form, please use the back side)

Mail to: Yuma Community Theater - P.O. Box 10729 - Yuma, AZ 85366

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