

Autumn Quarterly 2012



Joe Krabill, Mark Casamento, Barb Stahl and Dick Jones in rehearsal.

BORN YESTERDAY

The first play of the Stone Arch Players' new season is the classic comedy BORN YESTERDAY by Garson Kanin, directed by Thiry Olbrich. The year is 1946 and a dishonest steel trader has come to Washington D.C. to buy political influence. Only thing holding him back, or so he thinks, is his undereducated ex-chorus-girl girlfriend. So he decides to have her educated. The problem is, he picks the wrong tutor . . . and romantic mayhem ensues! This romantic comedy has twice been made into films, most recently starring John Goodman and Melanie Griffith.

BORN YESTERDAY stars Bill Daup as Harry Brock, the gangster steel man with Regina Brannen as his empty headed but gorgeous moll, Billie Dawn, and Rob Burns as Paul Verrall, the writer hired to educate her. Insider lawyer Ed Devery is played by returning member Dick Jones, Joe Krabill and Barb Stahl play the senator and his wife. Cousin Eddie is Mark Casamento, Helen is Rachel Jones, and the manicurist is Brittany Leach. Several smaller roles remain to be cast.

We welcome new member Brittany Leach and returning member Dick Jones. Dick worked with the Stone Arch Players in the 1970s and appeared in such productions as THE ODD COUPLE, THE GIRLS IN 509, NO SEX PLEASE, WE'RE BRITISH, 6 RMS RIV VIEW, LIFE WITH FATHER, ARSENIC AND OLD LACE and COME BLOW YOUR HORN. He lives in State College and is now semi-retired from the Public Relations business, and has been " . . . wanting to come back to Stone Arch," but found his work too consuming for many years. We are happy to have him return at last! Welcome back, Dick!

BORN YESTERDAY premiers on November 2 and includes Friday and Saturday 8:00 p.m. shows on November 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, and 17, with 2:00 p.m. Sunday matinees on November 11 and 18. Mark your calendars now for an evening of classic comedy!

Stone Arch Players Seat Drive

SAF has purchased new seats for our guests at Theatre-in-the-Park. You can show your support, and help defray the costs, by sponsoring one of the new seats for \$150 per seat. In addition to a small engraved plate affixed to a seat, you will also be honored as a "Silver Legend" on a special plaque in the theatre lobby. Or, for \$50, you can be listed as a "Gold Star."

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Our Forty-Fifth Anniversary Season! 1967-2012 at the Theatre In The Park

"BORN YESTERDAY"

By Garson Kanin

A Romantic Comedy, Directed by Thiry Olbrich Performances: 8:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays November 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17

2:00 p.m. Sundays, November 11, 18

"WHO'S IN BED WITH THE BUTLER"

By Michael Parker

Sexy Farce, Directed by Phyllis Johnson

Performances: 8:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays February 22, 23, March 1, 2, 8, 9

2:00 p.m. Sundays, March 3 and 10

"SUITE SURRENDER"

By Mickael McKeever

Comedy, Directed by Alan Peoples

Performances: 8:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays May 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18

2:00 p.m. Sundays, May 12 and 19

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2012-2013 SEASON at the THEATRE IN THE PARK!

The Stone Arch Players' new season begins in November with the classic comedy BORN YESTERDAY, directed by Madam Prez Thiry Olbrich. This romantic comedy about a gangster, his gal, and her tutor is sure to tickle your funny bone. BORN YESTERDAY runs November 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17,

Veep Phyllis Johnson offers the crazed WHO'S IN BED WITH THE BUTLER? Auditions for this sexy farce will be held November 5 and 6 and shows will be February 22, 23, March 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, and 10, Veep Johnson always offers audiences a zany ride, so fasten your seat belts now!

Our third comedy of this All-Comedy Season will be SUITE SURRENDER, directed by Secretary Alan Peoples. This comedic romp concerns two Hollywood divas' Battle Royal for possession of the same hotel suite, and is an all out love note to those wonderful farces of the 30's and 40's. It plays May 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, and 19.

A fun-filled year of all comedies for your enjoyment, coming from the Stone Arch Players!



NEW STONE ARCHER!

Susan and Mark Turns are pictured with our newest thespian, Erin Reagan, born April 1,

Congratulations!





A STONE ARCH **WEDDING**

Wedding bells for Ron Patterson and Joan Wilson rang on Saturday, July 14, at Brookmere Winery in Belleville, PA. After celebrating with 25 close friends and family members in attendance for the nuptials, the newlyweds later honeymooned at Cover Haven resort in the Poconos.

Congratulations Joan and Ron!

TREASURER RETIRES



Longtime treasurer of the Stone Arch Players, Linda Knepp, has retired from her job at Plumbing Johnson's and Heating Company. Linda worked for Phyllis and Jim as the front desk secretary for many years at this familiar business on West Fourth Street. Knepp is known for her many comedic roles with our theater troupe,

and will continue to serve as its treasurer. Congratulations, Linda!

Katie Stahl appeared in the Delaware Shakespeare Festival in Wilmington, DE in July in A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM.

Congratulations, Katie!



THE FOX ON THE FAIRWAY

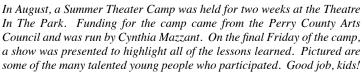
George Baumer, the most popular man in community theater, starred in Ken Ludwig's hole-in-one comedy, THE FOX ON THE FAIRWAY on the Benzel Stage of the Historic Mishler Theatre in Altoona, September 20-23. The Altoona Community Theatre production was a big hit!

Congratulations, George!

Director of the Summer Theater Camp held for two weeks in August at the Theatre In The Park, Cynthia Mazzant accepts congratulations at the closing ceremonies.









Stone Arch Player
Mike Smith is
pictured in Roger
Laughlin's late
model race car. Mike
took it to a practice
session before the
season at the Clinton
County Speedway.
Mike is on the pit
crew and wanted to
see what it was like.
He loved it.

A CHORUS LINE

Ian Blake just completed his run as Mark in A CHORUS LINE in Georgetown, Texas, directed and choreographed by Broadway veterans Danny Herman and Rocker Verastique. Ian had just ended a five-week run as Friedrich in Austin's Zilker Summer Musical production of THE SOUND OF MUSIC before ACL opened.

Danny Herman performed



as Mike Costa in the Broadway production for eight years. Rocker Verastique has performed a number of roles in the same Broadway production, including Ian's role as Mark. Their stage and film credits are extensive.

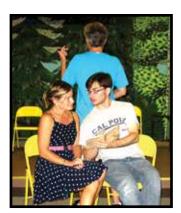
Ian is a sophomore at Vista Ridge High School in Cedar Park, Texas, where he is active in theater, choir, and Navy JROTC.



Treasurer Linda Knepp, Betty Karstetter, and Linda Swartz enjoyed picnicking in Derry Township Park for our annual meeting and election in June.

Nate Smith got involved with the State College Community Theatre this summer by helping to build the set for buddy Mike Knarr's production of "And Then There Were None".

Thanks for your help, Nate!





Regina Brannen, Rob Burns, and Bill Daup, hard at work rehearsing BORN YESTERDAY.



AND THEN THERE WERE NONE

SAP founding member Mike Knarr directed for the State College Community Theatre at the Boal Barn for the second time, this summer. AND THEN THERE WERE NONE, the classic Agatha Christie thriller was brought to life by Knarr and his talented cast of eleven, with Ryne Knarr as assistant stage manager. SPOILER ALERT for the following sentence: Starring as Justice Wargrave, the egotistical murderer of the piece, was our favorite Toast Master, Charlie Wilson. Wilson controlled the stage in this dramatic role that seemed to have been written for him, and fit his talents like a glove. The glove a devious murderer might wear to hide his fingerprints!

Congratulations to all involved with this success!



FORTY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY ITEMS

The Stone Arch Players are celebrating their Forty Fifth Anniversary this year, and are offering special items for sale to commemorate the occasion. Anniversary T Shirts are \$15.00, Sweat Shirts are \$20.00, Tote Bags are \$3.00 each, or two for \$5.00, and Buttons are only \$1.00!

Items are available before each show and during intermission.

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