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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We had our AGM in Floyd and Janine's backyard July 24: the weather was perfect, member turn-out was one of the best, and the food was excellent as always.

The table officers were acclaimed.

We welcomed new members-at-large Ron Rubin & Carmen Morgan, and reinstated past members Mitch Barnes, Beverly van Druten Blais and Heather Lee. The infusion of new members, with their varied experiences and new ideas, will add to our hard-working Executive Committee.

A big thank you to out-going members Colleen Davis and Vicky Etchells for their service.

Thank you for your support that I can lead SLPCT as president for another year. I have done 2 terms for 2 or 3 years, so it is time for someone else to step up at the 2022-23 AGM. The same goes for many of our volunteer crew

positions; without these people our shows would not go on, but we are an aging 'workforce', so if you know of any younger people with an interest in things theatrical, please encourage them to get involved. There is a very comprehensive Production Manual on the website under the Get Involved tab: www.stlukesplayers.org

We have a Readers Theatre workshop on November 5, led by Jan Manchur. She has planned readings from 3 scripts, and it sounds like a fun way to spend an afternoon. 20 participants would be ideal—no theatrical experience necessary! You can register by sending her an email: jmanchur@shaw.ca

As I write this, the cast and crew of "The Trouble with Cats" are fine-tuning everything in preparation for its opening on Wednesday October 12. Tickets are available on EventBrite. or at the door. Cash and cheques are always accepted, and for the first time, patrons can purchase using a debit or credit card (if we can figure out how to use the Square to accept the payments).

Season Tickets will also be available for purchase up until October 25. The 4-show bundle is \$54 and the 3-show option (no Panto) is \$45. If you include the Panto in your order, you may also order a limited number of extra tickets before they go on sale to the public (Nov. 1st).

Individual ticket prices are \$18 and \$10 for children under 12 (Panto only).

Meetings between SLP and the church resumed in September after a 2-year Covid hiatus. The focus of the discussion was working together in the spirit of trust and co-operation, now and into the future. A second meeting has been scheduled for October 1 to further the discussion.

Happy Fall, everyone, and may the lovely weather continue (though rain at night would be good for the gardens)!

~ Respectfully submitted, Bronwyn Taylor taylorbronwyn@shaw.ca



Julie Gray, Sue Ko, Carlena Teipel & Beverly in Peninsula Players' "Blackadder"

SOME INTERESTING, SERIOUS FEAR WORDS

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"Nothing in life is to be feared. It is to be understood." ~ Mme Currie



Penny Pitcher is so happy now to be able to walk the same loops she was doing before the accident four months ago.

Also exciting is the start-up of Target Theatre after the summer break. Bookings are already coming in.

And finally, Penny is delighted to have welcomed her son and his doggy to the Island—and they live just a couple of blocks away! Guess who will be taking the dog for longer, faster walks while her son is limited to crutches.





"It is so nice to be out walking again with my camera in hand – no matter how often I walk my same few loops, there is always something new and exciting to see." ~ Penny Pitcher



HAVE WE GOT A SEASON FOR YOU!

This month we start off our new full season with a hilarious mess of too many tenants, nosy neighbours and nutty building contractors in a lake-side housesitting adventure.

Then for the Holiday Season, there will be lots of laughs and groans, boos and "no it isn't" responses to our talented Panto cast. "Robin Hood and the Babes in the Wood" folk are gleefully practicing their song and dance routines this month, so they'll be ready to wow you in December.

In March you'll be treated to an award winning murder/ mystery set in 1936. "The Game's Afoot or Holmes for the Holidays" will entertain, puzzle and amuse you all.

May's production:

"Firehoses and Family"
was written by our local
wunderkinds Mitch and
Jo Barnes. Performed via
Zoom in March 2021, we
are bringing this very funny
comedy to our stage for you
to very much enjoy.



Presents a summer comedy!



House-sitting should never be this complicated

A house-sitting couple gets more than they bargained for when the homeowner intentionally double-books her lakefront home.

When the second house-sitting couple arrives, there is an immediate clash between generations.

Further personality clashes arise with the overly-friendly neighbours; with their constant barrage of trivia and candid crankiness.

There's a master suite renovation being done by a trio of sisters with personal problems.

And where's the unidentified P.J., who just might be a cat—if they can find him.

Evenings 7:30 • Oct 12–15 & 19–22 Matinees 2:00 • Oct 15, 16 & 22, 23

ALL TICKETS \$18.00

• ORDER VIA EVENTBRITE OR AT THE DOOR • Live Stage Performances • Masks encouraged • Presented by Hauer Publishing

All shows are performed in St. Luke's Hall, 3821 Cedar Hill X Rd Website: www.stlukesplayers.org • 250-884-5484 • stlukesplayers@yahoo.ca



And the babes in the wood

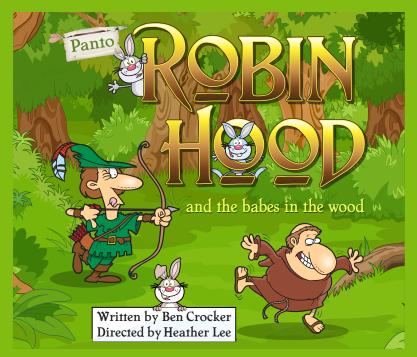
The dashing hero Robin Hood vies against the evil Sheriff of Nottingham whose nefarious plans include his orphaned niece and nephew. Friar Tuck leads the band of merry men with feisty Little Joan eager to avenge her father's death. Audience participation, singing dancing and bad jokes abound in this rollicking panto.

Written by Ben Crocker

Directed by Heather Lee

Evenings 7:00
Dec 16, 17, 21,22,28, 30
Matinees 2:00
Dec 17, 18, 23, 26, 27, 31, Jan 1
TICKETS \$18.00 OR \$10.00 FOR 12 AND UP

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Planning for our annual Panto starts pretty much a full year before the actual performances.

The directors and designers of this year's panto "Robin Hood and the Babes in the Wood" have been hard at it for sure.





The auditions were held and the cast was chosen (with great difficulty as usual). We enjoyed a foodfest and read-through at the Meet & Greet on Saturday, September 24th.

Everyone is pretty pumped to get started. Music and dance rehearsals are taking place in a neighbouring hall until the current production is finished. Then onto the stage and away we go, practicing to get it just right.



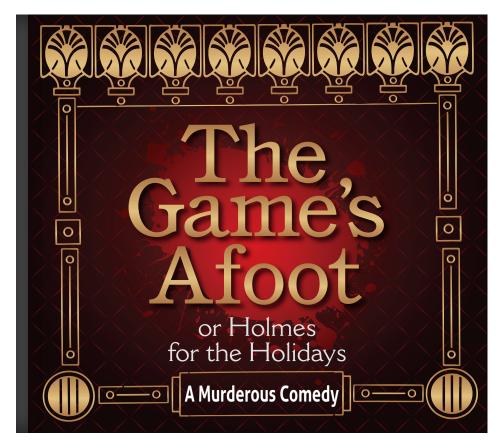


Come out and have some fun at a

Reader's Theatre Workshop Sat. Nov. 5th at 1 pm at St. Luke's Parish Hall, 3821 Cedar Hill X Road Jan Manchur, a retired drama teacher, will lead the workshop. She will give you a few tips, send you off with scripts to rehearse in groups, and bring you back to perform in front of each other. Hope you can join us.

AUDITIONS





Written by Ken Ludwig

Directed by Toshik Bukoweicki

CHARACTERS: 4 adult males and 4 adult females

Please complete the SLP Audition Form from our website and email it to the director: toshikb@telus.net

Also inform him which audition you plan to attend. Then arrive promptly at your start time and be prepared to read from the script.

You may borrow a script. Pick it up from Oak Bay Flower Shop 102-2187 Oak Bay Ave. 250-595-2421 and return it there prior to auditions please. https://www.stlukesplayers.org/auditions.html

It is December 1936, and
Broadway star William Gillette,
admired the world over for his
leading role in the play
"Sherlock Holmes", has invited
his fellow cast members to his
Connecticut castle for a
weekend of revelry. But when
one of the guests is stabbed to
death, the festivities in this
isolated house of tricks and
mirrors quickly turn dangerous.

AUDITION DATES:

Mon Nov 20 • 4pm OR Wed Nov 23 • 7pm

Callbacks:

Sat Nov 26 • 1pm

We encourage all actors
— experienced and new
to the stage.

Play runs Mar 15-25

Rehearsals are on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings

LIVE STAGE PERFORMANCES

- Wearing masks is strongly encouraged
- Double Vax Proof required to participate

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE ST LUKE'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR, 19 Nov, 2022

Dear friends of the St Luke community,

St. Luke's, coming out of COVID restrictions, will once again hold its traditional Christmas Bazaar on Nov 19. This year, we are hoping to gather help from our community members. If you or your children use our premises for your activities, we consider you a community member, and we need you. We need volunteers to SET UP on Friday Nov18, and for SALES and then CLEAR UP on Sat Nov19.

The Bazaar is a major fundraiser for St. Luke. These funds contribute to keep this building and our whole enterprise going. As users of this space, we know you have an interest in our success. We support and sponsor many community ventures and outreach programs right here on our premises. Many of you are recipients, and while we are eager to continue to support these programs, we need funding to do so.

At St. Luke's, we find ourselves short of volunteers to run the Bazaar. We are reaching out to able-bodied individuals, capable of setting up tables, carrying boxes of donated 'stuff', laying out goods and selling them. We may need your help with baking for the bake table.

Why help? Because it's fun; it's an opportunity to meet new people; you will feel gratification knowing you are helping the community; you are helping to keep the premises that you use open for use.

Some of you may have helped us in the past, and for that we are very grateful.

Fri Nov 18 and Sat Nov 19

If you can help, please fill out the form below and drop it off at the office or give us a call at 250-477-6741 to leave your contact details. Carol Turnham is the convenor of the Bazaar.

Thank you for your energy, enthusiasm, and support.

	St Luke's Christmas Bazaar Offer to Volunteer	
Name:	Tel:	
Email:		
Name of Group / o	or Group Leader you are with:	
I can help on: (please circle)	Friday Nov 18	
	Saturday Nov 19	