

BACKSTAGE NEWS

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Dinner Theatre

Tickets are selling fast for this year's dinner theatre. **Jerry Stuebing** directs Norm Foster's delightful romantic comedy "The Affections of May."

May Henning is the owner of a bed and breakfast in the town of Grogan's Cove. She is deserted by her husband Brian, who has decided that small town life is not for him. He returns to the big city leaving May to look after herself. She finds herself struggling to keep her head above water, while fending off a couple of local men who are vying for her affections.

"The Affections of May" continues **February 14, 15, 20, 21, & 22** at the **Skeena Valley Golf and Country Club**.

Reserved seating so pick up yours soon
Tickets are **\$30** and available from Uniglobe
Courtesy Travel.

Don't forget to place a bid on the trunk decorated by **Candace Weller** on display at the Golf Course for the duration of "The Affections of May"

V-Day

V for Victory! The Ksan Society and TLT presentation of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues" played to 650 enthusiastic patrons February 1st at the R.E.M Lee Theatre.

The show which featured 21 prominent women from the community raised an estimated **\$7700.00** clear for the new wheel-chair accessible transition house in Terrace.

The Terrace production is believed to be the first of 53 World Campaign Canadian shows running between February 1st and March 7th. Over 300 shows are presented around the world during this time. Proceeds go to ending violence against women.

For more information, please contact **Kristi** at **Ksan House Society** at **635-2373**



At a Glance

Dinner Theatre Feb 14, 15, 20,
"The Affections of May" 21, & 22

"Psychopathia Sexualis" March 20, 21,
22, 27, 28, 29,
April 3, 4, & 5.

Play Reading March 25
"The Dock Brief"

"Speaking in Tongues" May 1, 2, 3,
8, 9 & 10.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting is Wednesday **February 12th, 7:30 PM** at the McColl Playhouse. Please note that every meeting is a general meeting. All members are encouraged to attend.

Topics for discussion include:
New Building Plans
Summer Drama Days program revisions

Committee Updates include:
The New Building, Fundraising, Publicity, Warehousing, Technical, Skeena Zone and Costuming.
See you there!

March Show

The Terrace Little Theatre is pleased to announce "Psychopathia Sexualis" as the first regular season show of our anniversary year!

Robert Dugdale directs this **John Patrick Shanley** hilarious and rather sweet natured romantic comedy.

What will Arthur, a hapless painter with an unnatural attachment to his father's argyle socks do when the footwear is seized by the formidable Dr Block? Arthur is about to be married and without his socks he is sure to disappoint his new bride. The ensuing shenanigans as Arthur tries first one thing and then another to retrieve his socks before the nuptials will leave the audience breathless with laughter yet wondering at love, friendship and the help and harm aspects of psychiatry that bubble beneath.

With an experienced talented cast this production is a sure fire hit. Don't miss **Robert Dugdale, Jim Branch, Arlene Shepard, Margaret Davis** and **Garnet Doell** in "Psychopathia Sexualis"

"Psychopathia Sexualis" will play at the McColl Playhouse **March 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, April 3, 4, and 5.**

Robert is still looking for some backstage help. Anyone interested in helping out please call him at **638-1063**.

Summer Drama Days

Dawn Marshall, our Summer Drama Days coordinator, is looking for volunteers to sit on a Summer Drama Days Committee. Anyone interested please contact **Dawn** at **638-5799**.

Play Readings

March 25th "The Dock Brief"

Please join us - and bring a friend. This is a great way to introduce new members to our group. Take a turn reading or sit back and listen.

All readings are at **7:00pm** in the Merry Hall-sor Room at McColl Playhouse. For more info call **Nancy** at **635-1329**.

Anyone who has a play that they would like added to the play reading schedule please call **Nancy**.

The Dock Brief

A seedy, unsuccessful lawyer has been waiting years to make a grandstand defence. He gets his chance when he defends an innocuous little man accused of murdering his wife. The man cheerfully admits to his guilt. Defence proves impossible. The trial is over, the verdict a foregone conclusion, the lawyer can only beg his client to let him appeal. But the supreme irony is yet to come: the man is reprieved on the grounds of the ineptitude of his defence.

Speaking In Tongues

Director Patrick McIntyre reports all well in hand for the TLT Skeena Zone festival entry "Speaking in Tongues." He is beginning to wonder if there are awards offered to directors who have managed to master the coordinating abilities needed to manage eleven or so busy schedules into a cohesive and recognizable rehearsal schedule.

Actors scheduled and rehearsing are Andy Roth, Jason Marshall, Marianne Brorup Weston, Dawn Marshall, Julie Jacobs, Kim Hewgill, Gary Maltin, Alan Weston and Brent Nixon. There is also stage manager Diana Braathen and three hard working ASMs

This award winning play from Australian playwright **Andrew Bovell** is an eerily provocative look at relationships. A hard hitting drama that will leave the audience breathless.

"Speaking In Tongues" will play at the **McColl Playhouse** **May 1, 2, 3, 8, 9 and 10.**

Old Scripts

We are very interested in rediscovering some of the original works that have been created by our members. If anyone has any old scripts hidden away please give **Nancy** a call at **635-1329**

Actors Wanted

NTV and the **MIX** are interested in compiling a pool of Actors interested in participating in television and radio commercials. Interested Actors please contact **Margaret Davies** at **635-6316**

Getting Ready To Scramble

Plans are underway for our **5th** annual **Bank of Montreal Charity Golf Scramble**, to be held at the **Skeena Valley Golf and Country Club** **Saturday June 14th.**

Mavis and **Gordon** are already on the look out for volunteers to help out at this fun filled fundraiser. A successful Golf Scramble needs **22 volunteers** so anyone wanting to help out please contact **Gordon** at **638-0996** or **Mavis** at **638-1215.**

It's not too early to begin to gather a team together or start thinking of the Corporate Challenge!

Zone Fest '03

Mark your calendar for the 2003 Skeena Zone Drama Festival to be hosted by **Harbour Theatre** on **May 28th to 31st 2003** at the **Performing Arts Centre** in **Prince Rupert.**

Next Season

It's not too early to begin to think of plays for the 2003/2004 Season. If anyone has any plays that they are considering for submission please contact **Nancy** at **635-1329.**

Thinking of directing but haven't found the right show yet don't forget to check out our **Online Script Library** via the 'Library' link at www.mytlit.ca

The Script Library doubles as an **archive** of past productions. Even if you don't intend on borrowing scripts, we need your help ensuring that all past TLT productions are entered in full.

We are always looking for ways to improve www.mytlit.ca. Please pass on your suggestions to our Web Site Coordinator **Nancy** at info@mytlit.ca or **635-1329.**

In 1953

In 1953 the Stanley cup was one by the Montreal Canadiens in a 4-1 victory over the Boston Bruins.

In 1953 playwright Eugene O'Neil dies at the age of 65.

In 1953 the Polio vaccine was used for the first time.

On the Lighter Side

The Original Tech Talk

"A number of different approaches are being tried" - We are still spitting in the wind.

"Extensive report is being prepared on a fresh approach to the problem." - We just hired three kids fresh out of college.

"Close project coordination." - We know who to blame.

"Major technological breakthrough." - It works ok, but looks very hi-tech.

"Preliminary operational tests were inconclusive." - The thing blew up when we threw the switch.

"The entire concept will have to be abandoned." - The only person who understood the thing quit.

"We will look into it." - Forget it! We have enough problems for now.

"Please note and initial." - Let's spread the responsibility for this screw up.

"Give us the benefit of your thinking." - We'll listen as long as it doesn't interfere with what we've already done.

"Give us your interpretation." - I can't wait to hear this one!

"Rugged." - Too damn heavy to lift!

"Lightweight." - Lighter than rugged.

"Years of development." - No kidding? One finally worked.

"Energy saving." - Achieved when the power switch is off.

"Low maintenance." - Impossible to fix if broken.