



The Newsletter of Troupers Light Opera
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Trouper *Trumpet*

Summer, 2004

"Loudly let the trumpet bray" – Iolanthe

2004-05 Board Proposed

At the annual meeting, all members whose dues are paid up will be voting in a new slate of officers and board of directors. Here is the slate we will be proposing for your vote:

President – Bill Lamoureux

Vice-President - Jim Cooper

Secretary – (open)

Treasurer - Guy Stretton

Directors:

Diana Gladden

Silloo Madan

Vangie Michell

Bill Simons

Anne Wachsman

Tom Zimmerman.

Bill Abbott *

Ruthanne Ring *

Tod Spann *

**new member*

The floor remains open for nominations at the meeting itself. We can have up to fifteen directors.

Annual Meeting: August 29th

The annual meeting and summer party of Troupers Light Opera will be held on Sunday, August 29th beginning at 4:00. Once again **Silloo Madden** is hosting. Her address is 224 Frogtown Road, New Canaan. We will follow the Troupers' tradition—bring a picnic dinner, blankets and chairs. The board will supply sodas and other soft drinks, but bring your own wine, beer, etc. A grill will be available. The business meeting will begin at 6:00.

Directions: From either direction: Take the Merritt Parkway, Exit 36 (Old Stamford Road). Turn left onto Route 106. There is a light at the end of the ramp where you make your turn. At the next light turn left onto Weed Avenue (106 goes off to the right). After approximately a mile and a half, you will come to Frogtown Road on the left. **Silloo's** house is number 224. Her phone number is 203-801-0652.

At the business meeting we will be voting on next year's proposed show, *The Sorcerer*, and on the 2004-2005 officers and board of directors, (see listing of proposed names on left), as well as other business. For more about this delightful show, which we haven't done for many years, check our website: www.trouperlightopera.org. This is a great time to bring friends and prospective members of the Troupers family.

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You
There!



Mikado T-shirts will be available at the meeting for purchase (\$15). See **Guy Stretton**. If you haven't received your DVD, see **Anne Wachsman** at the meeting.

Mark Your Calendar



We will once again be performing at New Canaan High School.

Move in:

Saturday, March 26, 2005

Tech Week:

Monday, March 28 - Thursday, March 31

Performances:

Friday, April 1, Saturday, April 2 - 8 PM; Sunday, April 3, Matinee; Friday, April 8 and Saturday, April 9, 8 PM.

Set Strike

Saturday after the last performance and Sunday, April 10.

Auditions, cast sing-in, and rehearsal schedules will follow in subsequent *Trumpets* and be available on the web site.

Chris Hisey Returns to Troupers

Christ Hisey, our musical director for *Ruddigore*, will be returning to the podium for *The Sorcerer*. We are delighted to welcome **Chris** back to Troupers and look forward to working with him again. Biographical information will be available on the web site.

The board is currently interviewing prospective candidates for stage director. We may have a selection in time for the annual meeting.

Troupers in the News

We've had two sad events this summer. **Ann Byrnes**, wife of our artist, **Dick Byrnes**, who so graciously hosted two Troupers parties at their home in New Canaan, passed away on July 6 and **Elga Bier**, wife of our set builder **Tom Bier**, who helped at the box office for several shows, passed away on June 28th. A memorial service for **Elga** will be held on Sunday, Sept. 12 at the Congregational Church of Stamford.

The Fairfield County Chorale will host "An Evening of Gilbert and Sullivan" as part of their Monday night Summer Sings on Monday August 16. They will be singing all of *Trial By Jury*, as well as the Act I finale from *Iolanthe*, the opening chorus from *Gondoliers*, the finale from Act I of *Sorcerer* and the Act I finale from *Yeomen*. Featured singers include Troupers: **David Schancupp, Tom Zimmerman, Wendy Falconer, Bill Lamoureux and Jim Cooper**. Admission is \$5 and \$2 more if you need to rent music. The sing-ins are at the Trinity Church in Southport, CT at 8pm, and last about 2 hours. Complete details are available at the Chorale web site www.FairfieldCountyChorale.org, or from Jim Cooper (203-762-1342). All are welcome to participate.

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