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THE ST. CLAIR SHORES PLAYERS 57th SEASON

Special points of interest:

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The Spring production performed by the St. Clair Shores Players will be **STEEL MAGNOLIAS**, written by Robert Harling and directed by Matthew Sheehy. Audition dates and performance dates are noted on page 5 with a synopsis of the play on page 4. We hope you see you at the auditions and the performances.

St. Clair Shores Players continues the tradition of producing a variety of plays, from serious to comedy, realistic life to fantasy, with the intention of entertaining the public and giving them a glimpse of another life for a little while.

If you are not interested in performing here are some other ways that you can be a part of the production:

- Behind the scenes help that is needed are for props, lights, set construction, set dressing, and music to accompany the play. Contact Matt Sheehy at scsplayersorg@yahoo.com for more information.

Volunteer to be a member of the play reading committee. If you are interested contact Karen Drum at girlilocks@wowway.com



I gave it all that I had, and it's gratifying that others seem to be receiving it so well.

— Debbie Reynolds

You Are Invited to the SCS Players Red Party

**Where: The Golden Chopsticks Chinese Restaurant
 24301 Jefferson Ave.**



**Between Stephens St. and Downing St.
 ST. Clair Shores**

When: Sunday, February 12th at 5:00 pm
Come and join us for our annual Red Party. Wear something red and share the joy and good fortune. Family and friends are welcome. We hope to see you there!

From the Director: Matt Sheehy

Hello Ladies!
I look forward to seeing you audition for STEEL MAGNOLIAS on February 8 & 9th. Bring a southern accent and your wit with you because this is a play with a lot of laughs, a big heart and a southern

(Louisiana to be exact) location.
Plan on reading at least twice when you audition (and maybe more). I hope to have a great turnout with new and old faces alike (remember, character ages run from 19 to 60+, so there is room for everyone at Truvy's Beauty Shop).

Rehearsals will begin in earnest on February 20th and run through May 10. Performance dates are May 13, 14 19 and 20, so there is plenty of time for you to learn the lines, master your blocking, develop your character and deliver a great performance.

Renew Your Membership

Now is the time to show your continued support for the SCS Players and renew your membership for the 2016 - 2017 season. Single memberships are only \$20.00 and families are \$30.00. Make your checks payable to "**SCS Players**" and mail it in care of Karen Drum, Membership Committee Chairperson. You can also pay your dues at any General Membership Meeting.

Here are a few things to remember about memberships. Single members are for anyone 18 years of age and up. Family

Memberships include you, your spouse (husband or wife) and your children. Family memberships **DO NOT** include grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and/or boyfriends/girlfriends. Rollover membership are only available to **NEW** members (those who have **never** belong to the group in the past) who join after the Winter show has ended. Rollover memberships are not available to current or returning SCS Players.

Mail your 2016 - 2017 membership dues check to:

Karen Drum
St. Clair Shores Players
P.O. Box 141
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080-0141

PLEASE PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIPS DUES FOR THE 2016 - 2017 SEASON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

Please Note:

If you get a part in the Spring 2017 Production of **STEEL MAGNOLIAS**, you are required to pay your SCSP membership dues by no later than March 20, 2017. *Thank you!*

From the President, Matthew Sheehy

Hello Everyone,

First let me thank everyone who came out to the January 8th Social event at **Ms. Mary's and Pete Too** restaurant on Gratiot Avenue (as suggested by SCSP Vice President Karen Drum). We had a great turn out and a whole lot of fun.

Speaking of Social events, we don't normally do two in a row, but this years we are... let's see if we can get as good (or *BETTER!*) turn out for the SCSP Annual

Red Party on Sunday, February 12th. This time around our newsletter editor, Linda Neuwirth, has suggested we go to **The Golden Chopsticks** on Jefferson Ave. in St. Clair Shores. After giving this some thought, I think it's a pretty good idea, after all, in the Chinese culture the color red is seen as a symbol of "joy" and "good fortune" and I'd really like to finish out our 2016—2017 with a heaping helping of both. So, put on

your red and plan to attend next Sunday (an eVite will be send shortly, please RSVP).



Spring 2017

STEEL MAGNOLIAS

By Robert Harling

Directed by Matthew Sheehy

Synopsis:

The action is set in Truvy's beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana, where all the ladies who are "anybody" come to have their hair done. Helped by her eager new assistant, Annelle (who is not sure whether or not she is still married), the outspoken, wise-cracking Truvy dispenses shampoos and free advice to the town's rich curmudgeon, uiser, ("I'm not crazy, I've just been in a bad mood for forty years"), an eccentric millionaire, Miss Clairee, who has a raging sweet tooth, and the local social leader, M'Lynn, whose daughter, Shelby (the prettiest girl in town), is about to marry a "good ole boy." Filled with hilarious repartee and not a few acerbic but humorously revealing verbal collisions. The play has an underlying strength-and love-which gives it, and it's characters, the special quality to make them truly toughing, funny, and marvelously amiable company in good times and bad. A real winner!

Audition Dates: February 8 & 9, 2017

Performance Dates: May 12, & 13, 19, & 20, 2017



Hope to see you for the auditions!

Open Auditions for STEEL MAGNOLIAS

Steel Magnolias was written by Robert Harling and is directed by Matt Sheehy.

CAST OF CHARACTERS (ALL FEMALE)

TRUVY JONES - 40ish. Owner of the beauty shop.

ANNELLE DUPY-DESOTO - 19. Beauty Shop assistant.

CLAIREE BELCHER - 66ish. Widow of former mayor. Grande dame.

SHELBY EATENTON-LATCHERIE - 25. Prettiest girl in town.

M'LYNN EATENTON - 50ish. Shelby's mother. Socially prominent career woman.

OUISER (pronounced "Weezer") BOUDEAUX - 66ish. Wealthy curmudgeon. Acerbic, but lovable.

AUTHOR'S NOTE: The women in this play are witty, intelligent, and above all, real characters. They in no way, shape or form are meant to be portrayed as cartoons or caricatures.

If you are interested, or someone you know is thinking about auditioning and have questions, you can contact Matt Sheehy at mattsheehy@yahoo.com.

**Auditions will take place at
Good Shepherd United Methodist Church
Harper Avenue between 13 Mile and Masonic
St. Clair Shores**

**Dates: Wednesday, February 8, 2017
Thursday, February 9, 2017
From: 7:00 - 9:00 pm**

Looking forward to seeing you there!



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Mission Statement

The St. Clair Shores Players is a non-profit community theater group serving the city of St. Clair Shores and the surrounding environs. The SCS Players seek to provide a quality live theater experience to the community and also to provide an outlet for local talent in the production of these plays.

Membership to this group is open to anyone interested in furthering the purpose of the group (you do not need to be a citizen of the city of St. Clair Shores).

The SCS Players have, since the group formed in 1959, always held open casting calls for its productions. If you've got talent and the desire to be in a play or helping in some other capacity we are interested in having you as a member of our group.

Upcoming Events—MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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| 02/07/17 | Board of Directors Mtg.
Carol Sheehy's house
7:30—9:00 pm | 04/04/17 | Board of Directors Meeting
Good Shepherd United
Methodist Church
7:30 pm |
| 02/08/17 | Auditions: Steel | 05/02/17 | Board of Directors Meeting
Good Shepherd United
Methodist Church
7:30 pm |
| 02/09/17 | Magnolias
Open Auditions
All are welcome! | 05/12/17 | Performance: Steel |
| 02/12/17 | SCS Players RED Party
Wear something Red to
the Golden Chopsticks. | 05/13/17 | Magnolias |
| 03/07/07 | Board of Directors
Meeting—Good Shepherd
United Methodist Church | 05/19/17 | Performance: Steel |
| 03/14/17 | General Membership
Meeting—Good
Shepherd
United Methodist Church
7:30 pm | 05/20/17 | Magnolias |
| | | 06/06/17 | Board of Directors Meeting |
| | | 06/11/17 | End of the Season Picnic
Spindler Park, Stephens
Road, Eastpointe |

