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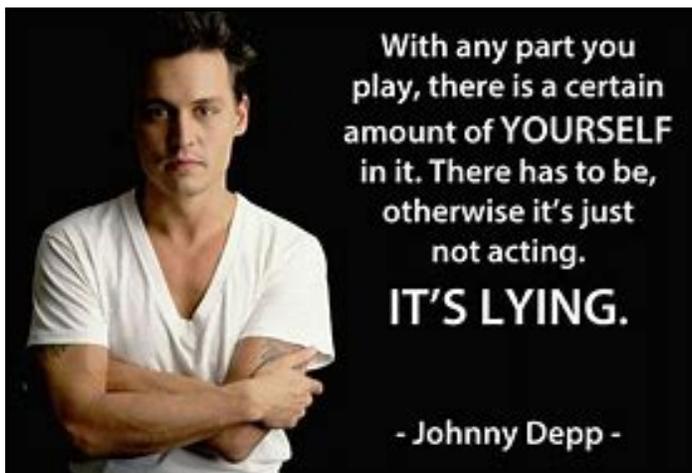
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Quick News Items:

- The SCS Players welcome new members **Chris Gray** and **Patrick Yee**. Find their bios later in this issue.
- Auditions for the Spring production of **THE MOUSETRAP** were held on Wednesday, March 7th and Thursday, March 8th. Read on to see the full cast list.
- The light bar was approved and installed at Trinity United Methodist Church in March.
- The first **Green Party** was held on March 18th at Golden Chopsticks. See pictures on our Facebook page!



Social Event: Join us at the theatre!

The Rosedale Community Players are putting on a production of *Kiss the Moon, Kiss the Sun* this Spring. The SCS Players are planning to attend, and you are invited!

When: Sunday, May 6th at 2pm

**Where: Peace Lutheran Church, 17029 13 Mile Rd
Southfield, MI 48076**

From the President's Desk by Matthew Sheehy

Hello Everyone,

Brr! Some Spring we are having so far, eh? Well, in terms of the group we are having a *GREAT* spring. We have a great show (Agatha Christie's play *The Mousetrap*) that is fully cast, with two new members (Chris Gray & Patrick Yee... welcome aboard!) taking really key roles and doing a great job. In addition to that, we have had our new light bar installation plans reviewed and approved by the trustees at Trinity United Methodist Church. Beyond getting the approval, we got the light bar and lights fully installed and functional (many many thanks

to Pat Sheehy and Mike Bologna who spent a total of 24 hours over the course of 4 days installing the lights). More good news... our Facebook page now has 106 followers... we've been lingering at around 90 for a while, so jumping up to over 100 after our move to the new location is very encouraging.

So, a lot of great things going on right now and we need to keep the momentum going. With that in mind, please tell everyone you know about our upcoming performances, share our Facebook page (let's get our followers over 200!) and share the flyer for *THE MOUSETRAP* (see page 5 in this newsletter).

Looking a little further down the road, the next thing we need to do to keep the SCSP momentum going is get our 59th season planned. We are hoping to do two shows (Fall 2018 & Spring 2019). One of the things we need to make this happen is members who are interested in directing. Ever had the itch to direct? Well, let me know and we can talk and help to get you into that director's chair. Do you have a show in mind that you've always wanted to do? Please let us know that too. At this point I am very interested in growing our director pool and if you are interesting in trying your hand, now it the time to throw your hat into the ring!

Renew Your Membership

Now is the time to show your continued support for the SCS Players and renew your membership for the 2017 - 2018 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

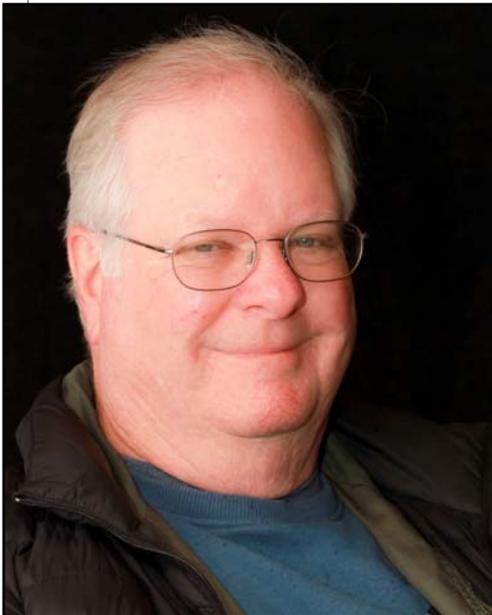
years of age and up. Family Memberships include you, your spouse (husband or wife) and your children. Family memberships DO NOT include grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and/or boyfriends/ girlfriends. Rollover membership are only available to NEW members (those who have never belonged to the group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

Mail your 2017 - 2018 membership dues check to:

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

**PLEASE PAY YOUR
MEMBERSHIP DUES
FOR THE 2017 -
2018 SEASON AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE!**

Director's Report



I am glad to report that we now have, with the addition of Patrick Yee as Detective Sgt. Trotter, a full cast for our June play, and rehearsals are going great. Once again I must thank Jenny and Shawn Miller for the use of their basement as a rehearsal space.

It would be great to have a bunch of volunteers to help paint and assemble the set, on set erection day. It would be equally great to have a real live stage manager to make sure the actors arrive

on stage at their appointed times. As usual I will be doing lights Matthew, sound, and my wife Carol, props.

Pat Sheehy

Director

The Mousetrap

Spring 2018

Thank you to everyone who came out to auditions for the Spring 2018 SCS Players production of The Mousetrap!

The cast is as follows:

Mollie Ralston ... Kate Gray

Giles Ralston ... Chris Gray

Christopher Wren ... Karen Drum

Mrs. Boyle ... Shelley Grzymkowski

Major Metcalf ... Herb Barents

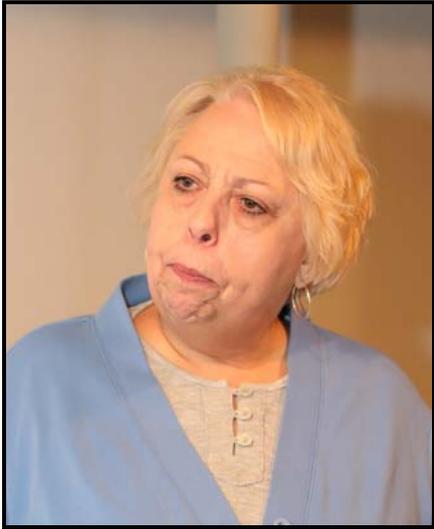
Miss Casewell ... Jenny Miller

Mr. Paravicini ... Phil Potter

Sgt. Trotter ... Patrick Yee

Mark your calendars—show dates will be June 8, 9, 15 and 16 at Trinity Methodist Church in Roseville.

New SCSP Members - Cast of THE MOUSETRAP



Shelley Grzymkowski - MRS. BOYLE

Shelley has known she loved the stage since elementary school when she made up her own plays and sang "Getting to Know You" as Anna in "The King & I." Shelley has done community theatre before, but this is her first cast role in a SCSP production. She has recently begun a foray into the world of voiceovers as well. A longtime mystery fan, Shelley is thrilled to join out "Whodunit" this year!

Chris Gray - GILES RALSTON

Inspired by his father's love of theatre production, Chris always enjoyed worked backstage for his high school's drama club. He made the transition from crew member to cast as James Blonde in his school's rendition of "Mission: Possible" in 2000. Nearly two decades later, he is returning to the stage in his first production with the St. Clair Shores Players as Giles Ralston in "The Mousetrap." He is grateful to his family, friends, the Players, and especially his wife, Kate, for supporting and encouraging him.



Patrick Yee - DETECTIVE SARGENT TROTTER

Patrick is pleased as punch to return to The Mousetrap after several years away from the show. He has been acting since he accidentally came across theatre in 4th grade. Some of his favorite roles include Chad (*Almost Maine*), Mac Sam (*The Miss Firecracker Contest*), and Mr. Paravicini (*The Mousetrap*). When he's not trying to solve murders in snow-bound guest houses, he is still dealing with fictional murders so don't worry too much about him. He's used to this.

St. Clair Shores Players

The St. Clair Shores Players Present...



50 Years of Theater



THE MOUSETRAP

A Murder Mystery by Agatha Christie

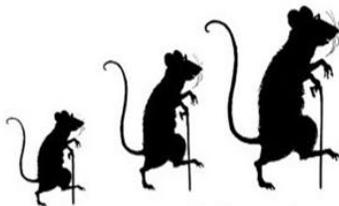
By Special Arrangement with Samuel French.

Directed By: Patrick Sheehy

A group of strangers are snowbound & stranded in an English country boardinghouse. Little do they realize, but one of their number is a murderer. The suspects include the newly married couple, Giles & Mollie Ralston, who run the boardinghouse, & the suspicions in their minds nearly wrecks their perfect marriage. Other suspects include a spinster with a curious background, an architect who seems better equipped to be a chef, a retired Army major, a strange little man who claims his car has overturned in a drift, & a retired magistrate who strives to make life miserable for everyone in the house. Into their midst comes a young policeman, traveling on skis. Soon one of our snowbound house guests is found to have been murdered. Two down, & one to go. To discover the murderer's mode of operation & drive him (or her!) into the light, the police officer probes the background of everyone present, & rattles a lot of skeletons in the process. Agatha Christie's most famous play,

The Mousetrap, continues to surprise & delight audiences more than 65 years after it was first performed!

Another superb intrigue by the foremost mystery writer of her time.



Ticket prices:

Adults: \$10

Seniors (60+) \$9

Students: \$9

See website for special pricing for groups of 10 or more

Kate Gray as Mollie Ralston
Chris Gray as Giles Ralston
Karen Drum as Christopher Wren
Jenny Miller Miss Casewell
Shelley Grzymkowski as Mrs. Boyle
Herb Barents As Major Metcalf
Phil Potter As Mr Paravicini
Patrick Yee as Detective Sergeant Trotter



SHOW DATES

Fri. June 8, 2018
Sat. June 9, 2018
Fri. June 15, 2018
Sat. June 16, 2018

* All shows performed at: *
* Trinity United Methodist Church *
* 18303 Common Rd. *
* Roseville, MI 48066 *

The curtain time for all shows is 8:00 PM. Doors open for seating at 7:30 PM
All seating is general admission & tickets are sold at the door. Please note we take CASH ONLY at the door (No checks, no credit cards, no debit cards. Sorry!)

Visit our website for more information at www.scsplayers.org

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The St. Clair Shores Players

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Since 1959*

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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!

- 05/01/18 Board of Directors Meeting @ Carol Sheehy's, 7:30pm
- 06/08/18 Performance
- 06/09/18 Performance
- 06/15/18 Performance
- 06/16/18 Performance
- 07/31/18 Board of Directors Meeting @ Carol Sheehy's, 7:30pm
- 08/05/18 End of the Season Picnic @ Spindler Park, Stephens Road, Eastpointe

