



# S.C.S. Players' Newsletter

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## WELCOME TO THE SCS PLAYERS 53rd SEASON

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Hello and welcome to our 53rd Season. We are planning a memorable season for our 53rd year providing community theater to the public. The St. Clair Shores Players will continue 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.

Our Fall play is the drop dead funny and hilariously entertaining play *Dearly Departed*, directed by long time member Pat Sheehy.

In case you haven't had a chance to check it out The SCS Players have a Facebook and Twitter account. We are

gaining more followers following our activities on Twitter.

There are many jobs and tasks that keep the St. Clair Shores Players community theater group running smoothly, so if you would like to volunteer to help email us at: [scsplayersorg@yahoo.com](mailto:scsplayersorg@yahoo.com). Just a few of the positions to consider:

- Volunteer to be a member of the play reading committee. If you are interested contact **Rachel Robinson** at [rachelrobinson@quickenloan.com](mailto:rachelrobinson@quickenloan.com)
- **THERE IS AN OPEN POSITION FOR EXECUTIVE PRODUCER.** If you are interested, please contact **Matt Sheehy** at [mattsheehy@yahoo.com](mailto:mattsheehy@yahoo.com)

- If you are interested in helping with fundraisers contact **Julie Bradley** at [jbrad86@gmail.com](mailto:jbrad86@gmail.com).

- **WANTED:** Baked Goods to sell at the concessions during intermission for **DEARLY DEPARTED**. Contact Ticket Chair, Sharon Kusch, at [sxkusch52@aol.com](mailto:sxkusch52@aol.com), or just bring them to the church at around 7:00pm on Friday, November 9th. And don't forget, we need items to sell for **BOTH** weekends, so if you can't do it the first weekend, bring them for the second Friday (11/16/2012). And if you can bring for **BOTH** weekends, well, that's even better!

## Fall Production: *Dearly Departed*

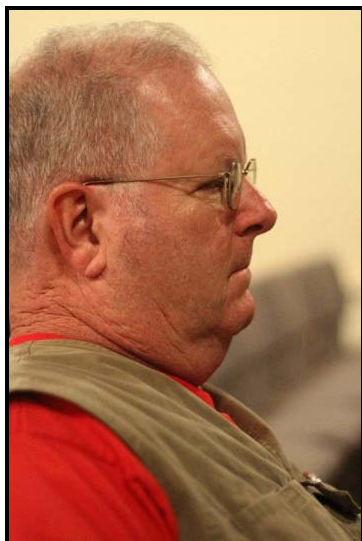
You are invited to the show: **DEARLY DEPARTED**

Date: Friday and Saturday  
 November 9th and 10th, and  
 November 16th and 17th

Time: Doors open 7:30 pm  
 Curtain at 8:00 pm

Place: Good Shepherd United Methodist  
 Church, Harper Ave. between  
 13 Mile and Masonic

## From the Director's Chair by Pat Sheehy



Well Folks,

Our Fall Production, **DEARLY DEPARTED**, is just about ready to hit the boards. At this point, I feel pretty confident that we will have a great show.

There are a number of new people that are doing some nice work and the people who have been around awhile just keep getting better. As for the Director (me), he just keeps on getting grumpier and grumpier.

It certainly would have been nice to have a few more Backstage Techs to help with lights and whatnot. I did ask for assistance from the membership of the SCS Players, but no one came forward to help. Oh, well. To end on a positive note, I did get one new person to help, a young lady by the name of Hope Peck. Hope is working as our Stage Manager. Thank you Hope for pitching in and helping out.

- Pat Sheehy

## Renew Your Membership

Now is the time to show your continued support for the SCS Players and renew your membership for the 2012 - 2013 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 **Rachel Robinson, 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 2012 - 2013 membership dues check to:

**Rachel Robinson  
22514 Benjamin  
St. Clair Shores, MI 48081**

**MEMBERSHIPS DUES FOR THE  
2012 - 2013 SCSP SEASON  
SHOULD BE PAID IN FULL BY THE  
NOVEMBER 1, 2012**



## October Social Event



Our Social Event for the month of October was a Halloween Get together at Waves Restaurant. It was great to see everyone dressed in the spirit of Halloween. There were a variety of costumes and everyone was someone different. We had a doctor, nurse, hippie, college scholar, gangster, a morph with a white wig, a nun, and famous celebrities like Lady Gaga, The Queen, Charlie Chan, and Marlon Brando. There were prizes for best costume, and other miscellaneous categories. We had a wonderful time chatting with each other and eating a fabulous meal.

Our next Social Event will be a December Christmas gathering. Watch the newsletter for the upcoming information.

## A Few Words from the President

Hello Everyone!

Well, *IT* has finally arrived! What is *IT*? Have you been sleeping the past few months? *IT* is the SCS Players new portable stage! It was delivered on October 24th (many thanks to Ken & Sharon Kusch, Pat Sheehy and anyone else who was there to help receive it). On Monday, October 29th it was put up and

used for the very first time (see photos of the new stage in the PHOTO PLAY section of this newsletter). What was it like? Well, I have to say this stage meets all my expectations and even exceeds one! It is sturdy, it goes together well, it is beautiful... and it is *HEAVY*. At least the 4 dual height pieces are heavy... they require three strong people to move them safely, whereas the

single height only needs two. Speaking of moving things safely, the carts we purchased also work very well with moving the pieces—we can safely move four at a time, which is about 900 pounds total. All told, I am very please with result of this project . My personal heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped make it a reality.

**Matt Sheehy**—President



## WE HAVE A STAGE!

In case you haven't heard the good news, the SCSP has purchased a portable stage! **HOORAY!!** Dearly Departed will be the first of many shows to use this new item. We will continue to fundraise to defray as much of the cost of the new stage as possible. This is perhaps one of the biggest purchases in the St. Clair Shores Players history. Our goal is to raise as much as we can toward the cost of the stage. The cost of the stage was **\$5,200**. To date, we have raised approximately **\$3,300**. Just **\$1900** to go!

We are still accepting donations at any time in any amount to help pay for the stage so that we will still have funds on hand to purchase the items need for future performances. Your support in this effort is greatly appreciated, and it will translate into a great resource for the SCS Players for many years to come.

If you have questions or would like to make a donation, please contact Matt Sheehy at [mattsheehy@yahoo.com](mailto:mattsheehy@yahoo.com) for more information.

### *November General Membership Meeting*

The November General Membership Meeting will be on

Tuesday, November 20th

7:30 - 9:00 pm

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

Harper between 13 Mile and Masonic

St. Clair Shores Players



50 Years of Theater

The St. Clair Shores Players Present...

# DEARLY DEPARTED

A Comedy by David Bottrell & Jesse Jones

By Special Arrangement with Dramatists Play service, Inc.

Directed By: Pat Sheehy

In the Baptist backwoods of the Bible Belt, the beleaguered Turpin family proves that living & dying in the South are seldom tidy & always hilarious. Despite their earnest efforts to pull themselves together for their father's funeral, the Turpin's other problems keep overshadowing the solemn occasion: Firstborn Ray-Bud drinks himself silly as the funeral bills mount; Junior, the younger son, is juggling financial ruin, a pack of no-neck monster kids, & a wife who suspects him of infidelity in the family car; their spinster sister, Delightful, copes with death as she does life, by devouring junk food; & all the neighbors add more than two cents. Their situation becomes fraught with mishap. Amidst the chaos, the Turpins turn for comfort to their friends and neighbors, an eccentric community of misfits who just manage to pull together & help each other through their hours of need, & finally, the funeral.

Dolores Monroe as Raynelle  
Jennifer Miller as Suzanne  
Scott Smith as Junior & Bud  
Karen Drum as Lucille  
Mark Sulewski as Ray-Bud  
Laura Shunk as Marguerite

Brian Duchnicki as Royce  
Mike Green as Reverend Hooker  
Alice Carr as Juanita & Vida  
Katelyn Snover as Delightful & Nadine  
Matthew Sheehy as Clyde  
Patrick Sheehy as Norval

All shows performed at:

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church  
31601 Harper Avenue St. Clair Shores, MI 48082



**SHOW DATES**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2012  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2012  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2012  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2012

**Ticket prices:**

Adults: \$10.00  
Senior Citizens (60+) & Students \$9.00  
See website for special pricing for groups of 10 or more

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.

Visit our website for more information at [www.scsplayers.org](http://www.scsplayers.org)



# Photo Play

## October Social Event—Halloween Dinner

Sunday, October 28, 2012



This is YOUR newsletter! Please send your comments, questions and story ideas to [scsplayersorg@yahoo.com](mailto:scsplayersorg@yahoo.com)



# Photo Play

## First Use of the New Stage

Monday, October 29, 2012



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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!

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| 11/01/12 | All Membership Dues<br>Must be paid in full for<br>2012 - 2013 Season   | 7:30 - 9:00 pm<br>December, 2012 Social Event to be<br>Announced                                       |
| 11/08/12 | Chili Wars!   |  |
| 11/09/12 | Performance:  |  |
| 11/10/12 | <i>Dearly Departed</i><br>Good Shepherd United<br>Methodist Church<br>Doors open at 7:30 pm<br>Curtain at 8:00 pm | 01/08/13 Board of Directors<br>Meeting - Good<br>Shepherd United<br>Methodist Church<br>7:30 - 9:00 pm |
| 11/13/12 | Board of Directors Meeting<br>Good Shepherd United<br>Methodist Church<br>7:30 - 9:00 pm                          |  |
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| 11/20/12 | General Membership<br>Meeting - Good<br>Shepherd United<br>Methodist Church<br>7:30 - 9:00 PM                     |  |
| 12/04/12 | Board of Directors Meet<br>Good Shepherd United<br>Methodist Church   |  |

