

The Rep

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Chairman's Report

I hope to see a good attendance at **the AGM**, which is your chance to have your say about all the matters in which we engage. Of course you will also be able to join in the discussion about the latest production, 'Murder in Company', and our forthcoming productions.

It is also the chance for you to have a go at a committee post! There will be one or two changes in committee this year, so why not stand for a post yourself? Who knows, you might even be in competition with others so we have an election! I may be over ambitious here, but let's have all the posts filled, at least. Then we can move forward to the rest of 2007 with a full and enthusiastic committee. Of course, my thanks go to this year's committee and for all the hard work each one of them puts in to all our activities. See you on **30th April at 7.30 Rep H.Q.**

Philip Norton, Chairman

Diary Dates

April 12th: Auditions for the summer play, 7.30pm at Rep H.Q. Due to licence restrictions a production of 'A Bedroom Farce' by Alan Ayckbourn is not possible in July. In its place we will be presenting 'Look Who's Talking' by Derek Benfield. This play requires 2 male and 3 female actors with ages ranging between 25 and 60. If you cannot make the audition date but are keen to be considered for the play,

please contact Ian Black, 01903 603423.

April 19th - 21st: Murder in Company by Philip King & John Bolard, directed by Marlene Tincknell.

April 30th: AGM and Post production discussion, 7.30pm at Rep H.Q.

May 1st: Rehearsals commence for our summer production which will be:

July 19th – 21st: Look Who's Talking by Derek Benfield, directed by Ian Black

October 11th – 13th: Visiting Hours by Richard Harris, directed by Julie Petrie

Help backstage and front of house always welcome.

Social Secretary's Report

There are still some tickets available for the Shuffle Board evening on Saturday 24th March. Price £6 to include fish or chicken and chips. Contact Carolyn or Julie to book a place. Money and food order must be made in advance.

Carolyn Cumber (01903) 763153

Changing Faces

Thank you to Therese Williams who entertained LRP and several members of other societies with a very entertaining evening. She gave an amusing talk about the history of makeup up to the present day. I was then made up as a geisha complete with wig, kimono and fan. I didn't realise that the decorations in a geisha's hair had different meanings relating to marital status. Research is important when dressing and making up for a production. Another lady was then turned into a rather unattractive old down and out, complete with wart, broken veins and missing teeth. (I think I got the best deal!) With anecdotes about actors that she has worked with, Therese kept us enthralled all evening. We also learned how important it is for the entire cast to be wearing the same type of makeup.

Carolyn Cumber (01903) 763153

Membership

Just in case you did not get your renewal letter in January, and to let everyone know, subscriptions are now due once again. There have not been any changes for several years but, this year it has been decided that subscriptions must be increased. The new rates are as follows:

Full Member - £20 **Junior Member** - £7 **Associate Member** - £10
Patron - £20

NOTE: Patrons will no longer be entitled to a free ticket for each performance, but instead will be able to claim two tickets for £4 each at each production.

If you have not received a letter this year, please take this as notification of membership renewal.

Rosalind Dickinson (01903) 521221

100 Club

There are still a few numbers left if you would like to join the monthly draw. You do not have to be a member of The Rep to participate and you may have more than one number. Philip Norton is currently holding the kitty if you want more details. For those who do not know, the first four numbers out of the bag each month get £5 and the fifth number gets £10. Here are the winners for 2007 so far:

January: Mrs M. Tincknell, Miss M. Macpherson, Mrs C. Cumber, Mrs D. Fawke, Mrs B. Dobson (£10).

February: Mr M. Campion, Mr G. Best, Mrs J. Sarfas, Mrs D. Hewins, Mr M. Campion (£10)

Actors' Workshop

Arundel Amateur Dramatic Society is organising an Actors' Workshop to be taken by Andy Brerton, the professional director at Chichester Theatre. These will be held on 6 Saturday mornings at a cost of £30 for the 6 weeks. Members of The Rep are welcome to attend. For dates, details contact:

Peter or Marion Taylor (01903 761455).

Ways & Means

I have been given several items to sell on e-bay recently and have been able to put the full profit into Rep funds. However, if you have anything that is too good for a car boot sale but are not familiar with selling on e-bay, I will sell it for you in exchange for a donation to The Rep. Alternatively, if you have any items that are suitable for a car boot sale, please contact me so we can agree a time and place for collection/delivery. I am doing car boot sales some Sundays.

Costume hire from the wardrobe is now bringing in a few pounds. The money raised will help towards costs of new outfits when they are needed. Contact me if you think there may be something in the Wardrobe you could use.

If anyone would like to come onto the Ways and Means Committee, let me know because **the AGM is on 30th April** and it would be wonderful to have lots of people contributing their ideas. The last post production meeting was disappointing as so few people attended. Even some of the cast were not there. We all belong to The Rep so please make that extra effort and come to the AGM. All you need is 20p for the coffee or tea and 50p per strip of tickets for the raffle.

A very Happy Easter to you all.

Julie Petrie (01903) 537985

DON'T FORGET—The AGM is at 7.30pm on 30th April at the Rep H.Q. in Wembley Gardens. The Rep needs your support.

