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AUDITIONS FOR CAUGHT IN THE NET

by Carol Bense

You'll hardly believe what has happened to philandering taxi driver, John, eighteen years after his hilarious antics in *Run For Your Wife*. With the help of his long-suffering friend, Stanley, he has managed to keep his two wives separate, but now he has a teen-aged son with one wife and a teen-aged daughter with the other. Both teens are computer savvy and, of course, the inevitable happens and they meet on-line.



Now John must do his best to keep them from meeting in person. This situation creates even

more hilarity than *Run For Your Wife*. Author, Ray Cooney, has outdone himself.

Director, Carol Bense, has scheduled auditions for this romp on Sunday, April 13 at 7pm and Monday, April 14 at 7 pm. If you are unable to attend either audition, please contact Carol (cwbense@roadrunner.com) now and set up a time with her. Rehearsing for this show is going to be as much fun as performing it.

The cast includes the following:

Gavin Smith - A sixteen-year-old young man, John's son

Vicki Smith - A fifteen-year-old young woman, John's daughter

Barbara Smith - Gavin's mother about 40 -50

Mary Smith - Vicki's mother about 40-50

John Smith - Our "hero" , husband and father 40 - 50

Stanley Gardner - John's best friend, a little dim, but a good soul 40 - 50

Dad - Stanley's father fluctuates between senility, alertness and cussedness 70 - 80

Something for everyone. So do show up for

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Coming up on April 19th and 20th, *Singing in the Rain*. Then, on May 17th and 18th *Royal Wedding*. In June, we will show *Back to the Future* on the 21st and 22nd.

Show times are Saturday 8pm with a Sunday matinee at 2pm. The complete schedule is on our website. Tickets are \$5.00 each (Popcorn \$2 and Bottled Water \$1), so it's affordable to take a family to the Movies!!!

Tickets can be purchased with a credit card or Paypal only on our website at www.village-players.com, or tickets can be purchased with cash or check at the door one hour before the movie.



You still have time to see our laugh-filled production of *Death and Taxes* by Pat Cook. Tickets are available on-line at www.village-players.com with credit card or Paypal account. You can also buy them with cash or check at Black's on Main Street or at the door.

At a town council meeting unlike any you have attended, 9 characters from the town manage to alienate each other with wisecracks and theories about a dead body found in town. They are not laughing, but you will as they bumble through to the solution of the puzzle. Who is he? What was he doing in town? Was he murdered? You'll find out. Performances are scheduled for April 4, 5, 11 and 12 at 8pm with a Sunday matinee at 2pm on April 13.



JOSH IN RUSSIA

by Josh Spaulding

As the plane touched down in Sochi early in the morning on Saturday, Feb. 8, something that had been more than a year and a half in the making became a reality. And it was only just beginning.

The following two-plus weeks were a whirlwind, a completely memorable experience, one that will forever be with me. There are a lot of things that I won't forget about this trip and now that I'm back in the United States and back to the work grind that I consider normal, I've had some good time to reflect on the experience.

My trip to cover the Winter Olympics in Sochi began with a long flight, or series of flights and ended the same way, but in between there was plenty of action.

The first day saw a little bit of history, as I watched the first-ever snowboard slopestyle competition, in which the United States took home gold. I also hit up the moguls course and watched Hannah Kearney, who trains at Waterville Valley, pick up a bronze medal.

And things just kept on rolling from there. I managed to make it to at least part of events for every single sport, with the exception of figure skating. Though in fairness, I was planning to attend a figure skating event but there was a small problem with tickets.

There was tons of alpine skiing on my schedule, as the plan was to see Kennett graduate Leanne Smith, Julia Ford of Holderness and Franconia's Bode Miller. I saw men's and women's Super-G, super combined, giant slalom and downhill, as well as the women's slalom. I also saw some skicross as well and both aerials and halfpipe for women's skiing. The alpine and extreme sports events were held relatively close to each other in the Rosa Khutor Alpine Center and the Rosa Khutor Extreme Park in the mountains above the village of Rosa Khutor.

Also in those mountains was the Sanki Sliding Center, where bobsled, luge and skeleton athletes took to the track to prove their skills. There was also the RusSki Gorki Ski Jump Center, where a little history was made during the first week of the Olympics. I was on hand when Sarah Hendrickson, the daughter of former Plymouth residents Bill and Nancy Hendrickson, became the first woman to ever jump in Olympic competition. That was something awesome to see.

But perhaps the most amazing place I saw the entire time I was in Russia was the Laura Cross-Country and Biathlon Center, which was only accessible by cableway and was high on the mountains above Rosa Khutor. The

place was amazing. Stepping off the cableway was like walking into another world.

Down in the coastal area, the venues were all in a large circle in Olympic Park, surrounding the medals plaza and the Olympic torch. Shayba Arena and Bolshoy Ice Dome hosted ice hockey, while the Ice Cube Curling Center obviously hosted curling. The Iceberg Skating Palace played host to figure skating and short track speedskating, while Adler Arena was the long-track speedskating venue. Fisht Olympic Stadium hosted the opening and closing ceremonies.

I attended events in all of those venues, with the exception of Olympic Stadium and they were amazing. While there were certainly issues with some things that weren't complete, the venues were spectacular.

All told, this was an adventure of a lifetime, an amazing experience. And I am truly grateful to all the people here who helped me make this trip a reality. The assistance was truly appreciated and like this trip, is something I will never forget.

Kingswood Theater

by Phoebe VanScoy-Giessler

The public performance of Kingswood's annual one-act play took place on March 13 and 14. Each year this performance serves as a 'warm up' for the New Hampshire Educational Theater Guild's Festival. This year the theater program chose *The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon* written by Don Zolidis. In it, two narrators attempt to recreate all 209 of the fairy tales of the Brothers Grimm in a wild, fast-paced extravaganza. To make it more difficult, they attempt to combine them into one gigantic fable using Rapunzel, Rumpelstiltskin, Hansel and Gretel, Snow White, Sleeping Beauty, Cinderella and other more obscure stories like Lean Lisa and The Devil's Grandmother.

In addition to preparing their own show, Kingswood students also brushed up on their hospitality skills in order to host the regional festival on March 22. Seven schools attended the day-long event. Theater professionals from around New England adjudicated each performance and offered feedback. Student-lead forums also offered an opportunity for performers and technical crew members to enhance future performances of their show. In all, 4 schools were selected to attend the state festival on March 28 & 29 at Gilford Area High School. The results of the regional and state festivals were unavailable as of the Prompter deadline.

VP BITS

news about members etc.

By the time you read this, **Phoebe VanScoy-Giessler** will have undergone surgery on her knee and be at home recovering. It seems she will be pretty gimpy for a while, but, you know Phoebe, she will be pushing the limits on her physical therapy and get back in the game sooner than anyone expects.

Josh Spaulding spent two weeks in Russia covering the Olympics for his sports columns. Josh was generous in sharing his experience via Facebook and his blog. It was great to have our own window on the events.

Jim Charland, received the John R. Clark Official's Award at a ceremony in February, 2013. The award was made on the basis of his work officiating for high school sporting events. Congratulations, Jim.

Delina Bickford was inducted into the honor society at Lakes Region Community College. Congratulations, Delina

The Penny twins (with the help of mom and dad, **Lisa Rose and Kreg Penny**) have announced that they are going to become big brother and big sister.

David, son of **Kristi and Mark Nieman** and student at Emerson College, is producing a documentary film titled *The Ravine*, about Tuckerman's Ravine on Mt. Washington.



Conor George Antonakos-Belanger was born on Sunday, 3/2/14 at 4:25am - after 42 hours of labor, 2 hours of pushing, 1 nurse saying, "Oops" and a c-section delivery. **Keith Belanger & Becca** were pretty exhausted parents. He weight 6lbs4oz, and was 20" long. Here's a photo of Dad and Son.

If you have news about current or former Village Players, please forward it to cwbense@roadrunner.com.

The Village Players Membership Form 2014

The Village Players PO Box 770, Wolfeboro, NH 03894 603-569-1396 www.village-players.com
(please print)
Name _____
Address _____
Phone # _____ E-mail _____
Would you prefer to receive your Prompter Newsletter via e-mail? Yes No
Call me to help on a Committee / Project / Production _____
Individual \$15 _____ Household \$25 _____ (2 adults and any minor children living in the same household)
Check # _____ Date _____

(Remit payment directly to The Village Players by April 1, 2014 to be a current voting member)
Please make checks payable to The Village Players, and mail to PO Box 770, Wolfeboro, NH 03894
or go on-line to www.village-players.com to pay with credit card or Paypal.

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auditions. We also need lots of folks to work on the production. If you are interested in collecting props, working on costumes, working on the set, doing lights, working on publicity, or any other aspect of the show, please contact Carol.

Performances will be July 25 and 26 and August 1, 2 and 3. Summer fun.

One of Our Own in The Anselmian Abbey Players

by Jay Sydow

The Anselmian Abbey Players are in the midst of their 65th season of theatre productions at Saint Anselm College. Since 1949, this student-run organization has enjoyed a long record of excellence, and it is the Players' intention to continue this theatrical tradition.

Why is this important information? Why am I bringing it to your attention? Our very own Kristine Adams has won the lead role of Audrey in The Abbey Players production of *Little Shop of Horrors*.

For those of you who do not know Kristine, she is the youngest daughter of Board members Jim and Priscilla Adams. Kristine got her start with the Village Players when she was cast as Ado Annie in our production of *Oklahoma!* back in the fall of 2008 and she played Chiffon in the Village Players production of *Little Shop of Horrors*.

Kristine is not the only Village Players vet to be starring in the Abbey Players production...Our own Audrey 2 is reprising his role as the man eating plant everyone loves to hate.

Performances are scheduled for Friday & Saturday, March 28 & 29 and April 4 & 5, 2014 at 7:30 p.m., with a Sunday matinee at 2pm on March 30, 2014. Reserved Seating tickets are \$14.00 at tickets.anselm.edu

Kristine Adams is a Sophomore at Saint Anselm College studying International Relations with minors in Spanish and Politics and on the Dean's List. Her role as Audrey is her fourth role in an Anselmian Abbey Players show, and she intends to continue her involvement in and love for theatre that she found on the stage of the Village Players. In addition to her work on stage, Kristine is also a Kevin Harrington Student Ambassador at the New Hampshire Institute of Politics at Saint Anselm College and an active member of the church choir. This summer, Kristine will be studying abroad in Argentina.

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Board meetings are scheduled for the first Monday evening of each month. All dues-paying members are also welcome to attend. Be sure your membership is current to receive your newsletter and special membership deals.

Contact Carol Bense - cwbense@roadrunner.com or 569-1396 - if you have changes in your address or email, or if you are unsure about your membership status.

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MOVIES NEED YOU

Our initial attempt at showing movies at the theater needs your support. If you like the idea, there are a couple of things you can do to keep it going.

1. Attend the movies as much as you can. We know you won't want or be able to go to every one, but go as often as you can. Whether or not we continue to show films will depend a great deal on attendance.
2. Volunteer to help the movie committee. They need people to be ushers and sell tickets and serve refreshments on the days of performances. They also need people to get the word out, to put up the posters around town, to send emails to their friends, to post the info on Facebook and other social media sites, and even to invite friends to attend. So even if you are not available to help at a specific film, you can help to promote it.

If you can help, please contact Priscilla or Jim Adams (priscillaadams123@gmail.com or pjadams_wp@tds.net) or call 875-0714.

YOU CAN FIND THE COMPLETE MOVIE SCHEDULE ON OUR WEBSITE WWW.VILLAGE-PLAYERS.COM