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President's Message

It has been a long wait, but spring is here and warm summer days are soon to follow. This means we can finally commence work on the parking lot and driveway. If you have visited TAG recently, you may have noticed that our parking lot is in desperate need of extensive repair. The work is scheduled to begin at the end of June/beginning of July and will include resurfacing and extending the parking lot and driveway. Fundraising efforts have already begun but any contribution you can make towards this project would be greatly appreciated.

The 4th Biennial Playwrights Festival was a big hit, with sold out or nearly sold out peformances for all three nights. Congratulations and thank you to playwrights Brenda Tydemers, JL Allen, and Ralph A Walton-Bone Urquhart for sharing your extraordinary stories with us, to the directors, casts, and the crew for your months of hard work bringing these stories to life on stage, to those who worked the bar and Front of House, and finally to Angela Butler and Esther Van Gorder for their tireless efforts organizing the entire festival. I have no doubt this will continue to be a TAG tradition!

May 11th was Members Appreciation Night in Gatwick Hall, where current members gathered for an evening of film, theatre and musical theatre trivia. The competition was fierce - but friendly! Congrats to the winning teams and well done to everyone who played. Special thanks goes to Jessa Miklos, Elaine Casey, Adam Norton, Joshua Law, Bill and Esther Van Gorder, and Jennifer Robbins for helping to make it such a fun night. If you have an idea for a Members Appreciation event, I would love to hear your suggestions, so feel free to contact me.

Tickets for our season finale, Rope, are on sale now. One performance is sold out already and chances are others will sell out too. The cast and crew for this production are stellar - this thriller is not to be missed!

Wishing you all a relaxing and happy summer. ~Rayna Smith-Camp



On Stage Now: ROPE

Runs June 6-22, 2019

Directed by Rob McIntyre, Stage Managed by Angela Butler and Produced by Kimberly Charron, Rope, by Patrick Hamilton, is the gripping psychological thriller that was transformed into the Alfred Hitchcock movie of the same name, widely regarded as a classic in suspense. It is sure to keep you on the edge of your seat. Rarely produced, this riveting mystery, with some surprising moments of comedy, will perk your attention from the moment it starts. Can two young undergraduates commit the perfect murder? Will you be able to guess the ending?

Classic mystery theatre at its best!



The Rope Cast:

Alex McAllister Jacob Wilson Michele Moore Skylar Sullivan Joshua Law Michele Gaudet Patrick Charron Mike Taylor



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ROPE

ROPE is now running at the Pond Playhouse. Get your tickets at Ticket Atlantic outlets and Superstores, as well as at the Box Office. Visit www.ticketatlantic.ca or call 902-451-1221.

Members Night

Enjoy a trivia contest; winner receives two tickets to the first show of TAG's 2019-2020 season, *The Ladies Foursome*.

Join us in the lobby following the performance for light refreshments, cash bar, and a door prize.

Auditions for our September Production: Sun June 23 and Mon June 24

AUDITION for The Ladies Foursome by the Maritimes' own Norm Foster. This hilarious comedy features four strong women, friends who gather for a round of golf in honour of their recently departed friend.

Characters:

Margot - 50s-60s, assertive, outspoken business woman

Tate - 40s, wife, mother searching for identity Connie - 50s-60s, sophisticated, dry news anchor Dory - 40s, mother of 6, innkeeper

Auditions will be held Sunday, June 23rd and Monday June 24th from 6:30 to 9:00pm.

No preparation required - cold read with scripts available on arrival. Golf experience not necessary.

For more info email director Elaine Casey at caseyelaine 55@gmail.com or call (902) 455-0215.

Announcing TAG's 2019-2020 Season!

The Ladies Foursome by Norm Foster September 19 - October 5, 2019

The Long-Delayed Return of ... *The TAG Variety Show* October 19, 2019

The Wizard of ... Oz? The 20th Anniversary of the TAG Pantomime

November 21 - December 7, 2019

Dracula – the Bloody Truth by Le Navet Bete and John Nicholson March 19 - April 4, 2020

Sherlock by Wireless: A Classic Radio Mystery April 30 - May 2, 2020

Mrs. Warren's Profession by George Bernard Shaw June 4 - 20, 2020

TAG Parking Lot Improvement Project

We Need Your Help!

The Pond Playhouse parking lot is being enlarged and resurfaced to make parking easier and safer for our patrons, volunteers, production crews, and actors. The total cost will be \$50,000. We received a grant of \$25,000 from Councillor Shawn Cleary from his Councillors' District Capital Fund. Thank you, Councillor Cleary!

We require an additional \$25,000 to complete the project. The fundraising deadline is June 31st, 2019. Hopefully, we can count on you for support. Donations are now being sought from you our members and patrons.

Make cheques payable to Theatre Arts Guild and mail to:

The Theatre Arts Guild 287 Lacewood Drive, Unit 103, Suite 412, Halifax, NS, B3M 3Y7

Or you may donate by Credit Card through CanadaHelps.org. Go to

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TAG will issue donation receipts for income tax purposes. The Theatre Arts Guild is a registered charity.



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A TAG membership is the ideal way to help your community theatre thrive while developing your own theatrical skills, interests, and making new friends. Now you can join online!

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Left: *Some Guy from the Internet* by J.L. Allen Right: *Lexy from Skye Meets Davy* by Ralph Urquhart

