

## **NEWSLETTER** October 2012

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#### Dear Members.

Thanks to everyone who came along to the Film Night on 17th August and to hear Keystone on the 8th September. There was great feedback for both events which is always encouraging to your committee. The Macmillan Coffee Morning held on Friday 28th September was well attended and raised £146.35 for the charity. Sadly, the Quiz Night on the 22nd September had to be cancelled as so few people booked to attend. A real blow to the organisers who had spent time putting together a fun-filled evening. We would love to hear from you all with suggestions for social events which you think would be a success.

#### **OUR BIG AUTUMN MUSICAL PRODUCTION**

### Sandy Wilson's **•The Boy Friend**<sup>•</sup>



The cast and crew are busy putting the final touches to our autumn musical. There are many fresh, new faces in the cast together with some of the 'more mature' acting members.

The action of this light hearted musical comedy takes place in the 1920's. Set in the carefree world of the French Riviera, it follows the adventures of the young ladies of the Villa Caprice as they search for the perfect Boy Friend, Let us transport you from our cold climate to the warmth and colour of the south of France. The show features well known songs such as "Won't you Charleston with Me", "The Boy Friend" and "It's Never Too Late to Fall in Love".

Opening night is Monday 29th of October and the six night run will end on Saturday 3rd November. Curtain up each night at 7.30pm.

The Box Office will be open each Saturday from the 13th October - 10.30am to 12pm and Monday and Wednesday evenings thereafter - 7.30pm to 9.00pm. Tel: 01206 391309. Tickets are just £7.00 for members. £9.00 for non-members.

#### **OUR NEXT PRODUCTION**

Our first production next year will be an extremely funny, if slightly irreverent comedy entitled 'Wife After Death' by the playwright Eric Chappell. It was described as "a terrific evening of love and laughter" by The British Theatre Guide. The play will run from the 18th to the 23rd February.

As the play opens a well known comedian has died and friends are gathered at his funeral. Their memories of him are very different and often clash. Later, when the time comes to dispose of the ashes and Dave's secret life is finally exposed, tempers and ashes fly.

At 7.30pm on Wednesday, 7th November there will be a full read through for members wishing to participate in this production followed by auditions on Monday 12th November, again at 7.30pm.

#### See our website for more information at: www.manifesttheatre.co.uk

#### SO MUCH MORE TO DO AT YOUR THEATRE

# Saturday 10th November

Another great film night with Laurel and Hardy. Manifest members are welcome to attend but ticket price will include a fee to join the `Sons of the Desert'.

For more information call Paul on 01255 429887 • 7:30pm-10:00pm.

#### Saturday 17th November

The Harwich Shanty Crew return to Manifest Theatre following their popular visit last March.



People come to love sea songs in many ways: Some arow up by the sea. Some fall in love with sailing, done the traditional way on tall ships. Some are just having a lot of fun with the pirate theme. However you find them, these are songs that do what music does at its best: they make you feel connected to something powerful. Whatever your interest, you will find something here that inspires you!

Tickets just £5.00 for members, £7.00 for non-members, will be on sale at "The Boy Friend" Box Office or telephone Patience on 01206 393171 for details. • Show starts at 7:30pm.

#### Saturday 8th December

The 'Sons of the Desert' are back for their last visit of 2012. But don't worry, they will be back next year. For further details - see above.

#### Saturday 15th December It's Party Time

Our big Christmas Party featuring "Verse or Worse". Come along and join in or simply sit back and enjoy the festive atmosphere and good humour that always abounds when we open up our stage to you all. • 7:30pm-10:00pm. Just bring nibbles to share.

# Saturday 2nd February **Something Silly** Mirth and mayhem featuring sketches and panel

games based on radio and TV favourite game shows. £5.00 for members, £7.00 for non-members. • 7:30pm-10:00pm. See website for details.

#### **CAR PARKING**

If you are driving to the theatre please bear in mind that there is very limited parking in the adjacent roads. There is limited parking on the theatre forecourt for Blue Badge holders and people with restricted mobility. We would respectfully ask that you do not park in Oxford Road or Norman Road.