

## **NEWSLETTER**

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#### Dear Members.

A great big thank you to everyone who came along to our Race Night at the Ogilvie Hall and to our Group Secretary Cathy Kalaher who organised the whole event. It was a fun night out for all those who came and raised £364.50 towards the Building Fund. Thanks too, to Kerry King for organising the three night run of the play, 'The Donahue Sisters', and the support given by the local Debbie Millar School of Dance and Guy Singleton. These productions in the run up to St Patrick's Day raised £858. We are delighted to announce that we have received a grant of £500 from Mistley Parish Council and that Manningtree Town Councillors have approved a grant of £100 which we will receive this month.

#### **OUR NEXT PRODUCTION**



### The Heiress

Passions run high in the Manifest Theatre Group's next production, 'The Heiress' a play by Ruth and Augustus Goetz based on the classic novel 'Washington Square' by Henry James.

Even though she is an heiress no one has ever been interested in the shy and dull Catherine until handsome, charming Morris arrives and turns her world upside down. Within two weeks he declares his love and, despite the fact that Morris is penniless, Catherine falls

head over heels in love and agrees to marry him.

However, neither of them has reckoned on the opposition of Catherine's father, Dr Sloper, who is convinced that Morris is a fortune hunter and threatens to disinherit Catherine if the marriage takes place.

Is Dr Soper right? Does Catherine marry Morris and lose her inheritance? Do they all live happily ever after?

The Box Office will be open each Saturday from the 4th May from 10.30am to 12noon and thereafter Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7.30pm to 9.00pm. Telephone: 01206 391309. Tickets are just £6.00 for members. £8.00 for non-members.

#### **NOT TO BE MISSED!**

# Beetle Drive

### plus WINE and CHEESE with a difference!

Another fun night for members. Never been to a Beetle Drive before? It's hilarious! And, midway through the evening you will have the opportunity to test your palate as you try to guess the wines and cheeses on offer in a blind tasting. Friday 21st June from 7:30pm.

Tickets just £5.00 for members, £7.00 for non-members, to include wines and cheeses will be on sale at "The Heiress" Box Office and throughout the week of the production.

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

#### **Noda Awards**

We are proud to announce that we have won a Noda Award for Technical Achievement for the set from the production of Dead Guilty, Glyn Hill's first full Manifest production. Well done to all those involved.

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

#### Saturday 11th May and 15th June



Another great film night with Laurel and Hardy

Manifest members are welcome to attend but ticket price will include a fee to join 'Sons of the the Desert'

For more information call Paul on 01255 429 887

• 7:30pm-10:00pm.

#### 2013 Annual General Meeting

This year's AGM will be on Thursday 25th July at 7.30pm. Make a date in your diary.

#### Don't forget to 'Buy a Brick!'

There are just 120 bricks left on the 'wall'. Get yours for a chance to win £100! Ask at the Box Office or at the bar on performance nights.

#### Want to help?

People often ask what they can do to help with productions or the day to day running of the Theatre. We have compiled a list which is on view on the Theatre Notice Board. Just jot down your name and contact details or speak to a member of the Committee to find out more. Your help will be most welcome.

#### Calling all Handymen (and women) and Builders - we need you!



WE NEED YOU!

Work on the new extension will soon be underway. Can you help with plumbing, wiring, carpentry or just slapping on some paint? Be a real part of the new Manifest

Theatre facilities. Contact Andy Terry by phoning the Theatre and leaving a

message or by sending an email to info@manifesttheatre.co.uk.

#### Are you a budding Morse or Miss Marple?

Following the success of last year's Murder Mysterv evening, we are doing it again. Want to take part? Want to know more? See our website for vital clues.

#### This year it will be Panto time at the Manifest

A fun filled, thigh slapping, all singing and dancing pantomime, 'Ali Baba and the Faulty Thieves' will be staged later this year. Complete with dame and pantomime camel. This is not to be missed.

Production dates will be the 9th to the 14th December. There will be a read through on the 9th September and auditions for parts on the 11th September.

#### **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 mobilty. We would respectfully ask that you do not park in Oxford Road or Norman Road.