



Stage Crafters

# BACKSTAGE

NORTHWEST FLORIDA TRI-COUNTY'S #1 COMMUNITY THEATRE

DECEMBER 2011

## Letter from the President

Hello Everyone!

Well, here we are at the end of another year! All things considered, it was a pretty good year. At the beginning of the year, we set out to put on a good season, increase volunteerism, and get more involved with the community. We are happy to announce that Stage Crafters managed to achieve each one of our goals. We presented four great shows that involved a number of new comers. (We welcome them wholeheartedly into our family.) Volunteer numbers went up; not only did we have newcomers on stage, but we had them backstage, out front, and working in all aspects behind the scenes. Stage Crafters assisted the Okaloosa Sheriff's Department, Okaloosa County Clerk's office, and the local school systems with community service hours. We were happy to be able to help and the assistance was most appreciated. We helped service school drama departments with their productions. We loved assisting these talent kids. Stage Crafters also helped out the Choctaw Idol competition this year. It was a blast!



We've announced our 2012 season and we've elected our new 2012 Executive Board; so the only thing left to do to finish up 2011 is to have all of you join us at the **Annual Awards Banquet**, which will be January 21, 2012 at the Fort Walton Beach Yacht Club. This is our night to show our appreciation to the community and our members for all their hard work during the season. The reservation form is included in this newsletter and we look forward to seeing you there. We also want to remind you to be sure to cast your vote for the season awards. The ballots will be mailed to you under separate cover and we'd like to have those back as soon as possible. Keep a look out in the mail for the Ballots.

Thank you for all your support this year. Have a safe and happy holiday season.

I will see you at the Banquet!

Pamela J Strecker  
President

### I GET BY WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM MY FRIENDS

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FRONT OF HOUSE & SHOW PRODUCTIONS

*If you would like to meet new people and help in the areas of reservations, ticket sales, refreshments, and show production, please contact Jean Starkey*

*Phone: (850) 678-7754 or Email: jeanstarkey@hotmail.com  
(Thank you for 40 years of support!)*

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- JAN 11 Executive Board Meeting 7:30p.m.  
Director's Committee Meeting 6:30p.m.
- 21 Annual Awards Banquet, 6:00p.m.
- 9 & 10 Auditions for "Daniel" 6:30p.m.
- FEB 15 Executive Board Meeting 7:30pm  
Director's Committee Meeting 6:30p.m.

### HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PLANNED GIVING?

Personal estate plans represent your beliefs, your life and a way to continue your support of the Arts. Planned gifts are a crucial source of futher funding that will enable Stage Crafters to continue to provide quality Community Theatre for generations to come. If you choose to remember Stage Crafters in your will, trust, life insurance and/or other planned gift, **Thank You.**

**WE STRONGLY SUGGEST YOU CONSULT WITH YOUR ATTORNEY OR OTHER INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL TO ENSURE THAT YOUR PLANS ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS.**

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## Welcome to YOUR 2012 Executive Board



- Pamela J Strecker .....President
- John T Guzalak .....Vice President
- Jean Starkey .....Treasurer
- Sarah LaBombard .....Secretary
- Dr. Craig Ewing .....Business Manager
- Nancy Kruzek .....Member at Large
- Kevin Clemons Jr. ....Member at Large
- Melissa Wolf Bates .....Member at Large
- David Jones .....Member at Large
- Thomas Hood .....Member at Large

We thank Ed Kelley, Mary Balint, Nick Trolian, and Cathy Trolian for their work on the 2011 Executive Board and their continued support within Stage Crafters.

## 2011 Awards Banquet Reservation Form Saturday, January 21th, 2012

Please make \_\_\_\_\_ reservations for the January 21 Awards Banquet  
**Fort Walton Beach Yacht Club**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Menu Selections and Prices: (Please indicate number(s) of each in appropriate box)**

- 12-oz. Ribeye w/Choice of Paitre de Hotel Butter, Wild Mushroom  
Bordelaise, Demi Glaze or Creole Butter .....@ \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_
- Roasted Rosemary Brined Chicken w/Balsamic Cream Sauce.....@ \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_
- Seafood Alfredo or Mediterranean Style w/Pasta of your Choice .....@ \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_
- Vegetable Plate ..... @ \$15.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check for: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total

**RSVP (Please No later than): 6 January 2011!!**

**Mail Reservation Form AND check payable to Stage Crafters:**

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## STAGE CRAFTERS, AN HISTORICAL VIEW

In 1977, Stage Crafters Community Theatre was hard at work with a season that included *Bus Stop*, *No, No Nanette*, *The Prisoner of 2nd Avenue*, and *The Importance of Being Ernest*. (I find it interesting that I've begun to recognize more names in our program, and some of those names are still in our programs.) Auditions for *Prisoner* were held at Staff's Restaurant, a familiar name here in town. While our little theatre group worked to bring you these performances, **Jimmy Carter** was President, Fleetwood Mac released their *Rumours* album, and the rings around Uranus were discovered. **Buffy the Vampire Slayer**, **Dawson**, **Kanye West**, and **Tom Brady** were all born that year. The world lost **Joan Crawford**, **Charlie Chaplin**, **Zero Mostel**, **Gummo** and **Groucho Marx**, **Roberto Rossellini**, and **Elvis Presley**. *Star Wars* opened that year and *Roots* premiered. Do you remember where you were in 1977?





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Our Last 2011  
Newsletter!

## For Our 40th Anniversary, 2012, Bringing You A "Ruby" Jewel of a Season!

March 9, 10, 11 • 16, 17, & 18

### The Devil & Daniel Webster

based on the short story by Stephen Vincent Benét  
written by Don Goodrum

directed by Joseph Perna

August 17, 18, 19 • 24, 25, & 26

### There Goes The Bride

by Ray Cooney\* and John Chapman  
(\*wrote the award-winning "Run for Your Wife")

directed by Don Goodrum

June 8, 9, 10 • 15, 16, & 17



by Jesse Jones,  
Nicholas Hope,  
and Jamie Wooten

directed by  
Nunzio Cappadona

November 2, 3, 4 • 9, 10, & 11



book by Tom Jones,  
music by Harvey Schmidt,  
lyrics by Tom Jones  
based on "Les Romanesques"  
by Jamie Wooten

directed by  
Nancy Kruzek & Jean Starkey