



LCRT Member Newsletter – November 2003

Lake County Repertory Theater ~ P.O. Box is 1753, Lower Lake 95457

LCRT Mission: To provide a quality theater experience to the people of Lake County

An auxiliary of the Lake County Arts Council



On the Boards



Anita Swanson-Speake and Bill Kearney star in "Love Letters"

Saturday, November 1st at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, November 2nd at 3:00 p.m.

The play, which probes at life and love with humor and sorrow, follows the relationship of Andy and Melissa, who first meet as second graders, and then continue through letters to stay connected as decades of their lives unfold.

LOVE LETTERS is a play that "Time Magazine" called one of the four or five best American Plays of the '80's. **Bill Kearney** and **Anita Swanson-Speake**, both are Buckingham (Kelseyville, CA) residents, who star in the lead roles. Lake County Repertory Theater Company (LCRT) sponsors this special production.

All tickets for this fund-raiser will be \$10

"All proceeds (of Love Letters) will be donated to the Lower Lake Historic Schoolhouse Museum to improve the second story auditorium/ theatre. The Museum is owned by Lake County and the second floor can be rented for various functions.

Tickets available at Lake County ARTS Council (263-6658) and at the Lower Lake Museum (995-3565).

DRIVING MISS DAISY



Walter Robinson and Joan Holman star in Driving Miss Daisy

Nov. 14-16 and 21-23, 2004

Ginger Ingersoll reports that the three-person cast of "Driving Miss Daisy" is in rehearsal with Randy Hare working on the set and the car. Keith Larson is working on the set on sound effects.



Derrick Harvey, Walter Robinson and Joan Holman: "Driving Miss Daisy"

Playwriting Festival 2004 Update

Closing date for submission of the Festival was October 1, 2003. Rich Altman reported that Linda Altman had 150 inquirers with a total of 45 plays submitted. Linda feels that the quality of the plays is significantly better this year. There are twice as many submissions as last year.

The LCRT Board approved that play readings be held for three days and establish six plays as finalist which will be read on January 16, 17, 18 and two plays will be read each night. Rich Altman distributed the plays to board members and Wednesday October 22, 2003.

SEMINAR UPDATE POSTPONED

Anita Swanson's Seminar recommended the Board move the Seminar date to January 2004 based in a conflict of one of the panelists. Anita Swanson will contact the Museum to check on a new date.



LCRT ARTISTS TO BE RECOGNIZED

– LCRT Board approved the idea of Ginger Ingersoll to create an **Awards**

Celebration for technical achievement and acting performances from the **LCRT 2203-2004**

Season. Ballots are to be distributed at the LCRT Annual Meeting to the membership in June with a formal Award's Dinner in late June 2004.

Suggested awards: Best Actor, Actress, Supporting Actor and Actress. The John Weaver award, Master Set design, Lifetime Achievement. Call them the "Johnnies" Discussion considered including all theatre productions around the lake, but consensus was that we consider LCRT productions only for 2003-2004. Voris Brumfield said, "I have a red carpet for the entrances."

CAST & CREW DISCOUNTS LCRT Cast and crew for each production/ play may receive 1 ticket free and up to four additional tickets at \$5 each for the production they work or perform. **We can always use your help behind the scenes and on stage.**

LCRT LOGO?

The LCRT Board approved the plan proposed by Ginger Ingersoll establishing a contest to design a logo for LCRT with a cut off June 1, 2004.

LCRT OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2004 and beyond

- * Sponsorships for plays: Sponsors for royalties and Museum rental fee.
- * Develop a children's theatre season
- * Select play season two years in advance
- * Promote Group Sales
- * Offer cooperative productions to benefit non-profit groups
 - Let's Get To Know The Members.



LCRT's 2003-04 SCHEDULE

- **Love Letters** Nov. 1-2, 2003
To be presented as a fund raiser to fund theatre improvements in the Museum.
- **Driving Miss Daisy** Nov. 14-16 and 21-23, 2004
- **Greater Tuna** Feb. 20-22 and 27-29, 2004
- **Scriptwriting Festival Finals** Jan. 16-18, 2004
The Best Unpublished Plays, submitted from all over the world!
Two plays on each of three days, presented in Reader's Theater format.
- **Scriptwriting Festival Winner**.. April 16-18, 23-25, 2004
- **The Exonerated** June 4-6, 2004
A portion of the proceeds will benefit Amnesty International.



RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR JOIN LCRT

Winkie Griffin states LCRT member is 67 Memberships (69 people/ 2 members are couples)
Email Winkie Griffin at: membership@lcr.org or phone **707/994-8829**. LCRT Individual \$10, Student \$5 or become a major sponsor.



THEATRE AROUND LAKE COUNTY
Lakeport Players Nov. 2003 – The Sound of Music

Renaissance Christmas Pageant

December 5-7 & 12-14 Call 987-0326
Middletown Community United Methodist Church

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