



Spotlight

Most members are now aware of the sad news that James Sinfield died suddenly and unexpectedly on January 4th. He was 71 and had been married to Rita for nearly 50 years. They had been blessed with a very loving family - our own Fair Lady, Emma-Jane and her two wonderful children, Dimitris and Noni and a fine son Richard who has three children. The other great love in his life was Arsenal! James, Emma-Jane and Noni had just completed three months of rehearsing in 'Dick Whittington' and had a wonderful and enjoyable time all together - the first time James had ever appeared on a stage. James has been supporting Rita in our Box Office for several years. He was responsible for the decorative tickets and his final beautiful logo will appear on the tickets for 'Ladies' Day'. He will be sorely missed as a good friend to everyone and a loyal and innovative supporter of Stage One. The large number of members attending the funeral was clear evidence of the level of affection that many of us have for James. Peter Sandwith.

Rita has sent a message to us: To our dear friends at Stage One. We would like to send you all a big thank you for all your support, wonderful messages and the lovely floral tribute sent on the very sudden loss of James - our wonderful husband, Dad and Grand-dad. This is so much appreciated. We are so glad that James was persuaded to take part in Dick Whittington. He loved every minute and made some good friends in doing so. I am sure you will be pleased to know that €850 was raised from donations left in the Church, which we hope to use to buy a piece of equipment for the Cardio unit at Paphos General Hospital. Thank you all once again and we hope to be back amongst you soon. With love, Rita, Emma-Jane, Dimitris and Noni xx

We are also saddened to report the death of Jean Barron in January. She was a very quiet and unassuming lady but had been a member and loyal supporter of Stage One for over 15 years. Several members of Stage One attended her funeral and we extend our sympathy to Jean's daughter and family at this sad time.

More than €2.500 raised for Kat



"Why do we bother, with the incredible talent these kids have got!" said one of our more mature members after the Koncert for Kat in January.

Kat Hadjipetrou has been a member our Youth Group for about 4 years. When her friends in the group found out she had been diagnosed with Philadelphia Chromosome Leukaemia last year they were determined to show their support for her and her family in some way. When it was realised Kat will have to go outside of Cyprus for a bone marrow transplant, which means being away from home for approximately 7 months, this became all the more important and, as they say in the theatre, a show was born.

And what a show it was! The first half was the Youth Group's performance of *The King of Spain's Treasure* and we had

acting, singing, tap dancing, and piano and guitar playing. What talent! Some of the show had clearly been 'adapted' by the cast to make it more relevant and topical and very funny it was too.

The second was just as enjoyable with some of our older members showing us talents that the audience (and they) didn't know they had including tap dancing and singing. Who will forget Andy Fox singing the Bull Frog song from *Honk* in a hurry! Everyone involved in the show worked incredibly hard in a very short time for a very good cause. At the end of the evening Peter Sandwith was able to present a cheque for over €2.500 to Kat's brother and grandmother. The evening ended with Kat's brother reading a text he had received from Kat and there wasn't a dry eye in the house.



Matthew King

STAGE ONE EVENTS - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Club Night Thursday 16th February:

Stage One AGM followed by monthly Member's Club Night. Please make every effort to attend this meeting and to vote for your 'New Committee'. Enjoy a glass of wine at member's prices plus nibbles and 'Stage One' gossip at the bar.

STAGE ONE ANNUAL CELEBRATION DINNER DANCE

Including presentation of MILLIES for 2011

SATURDAY 10TH MARCH At 'Coral Beach Hotel'

Welcome drink and Reception at 7pm - Dinner at 8pm

Cost € 35 for members € 40 for non members

Full payment to be made by February Club Night.

M.C. Peter Sandwith, Music and Entertainment

provided by 'Hitched'

Tables will be for 10 people and the price will include unlimited wine, soft drinks and water. You will be asked to pay for spirits and beer.

Please contact Jenny Jacobson to reserve your place -

socialsecretary@stageonetheatre.com

Auditions for the remaining role of 'The Jockey' in **Ladies' Day** will be on Tuesday February 21st at 7pm. Audition pieces are available from Peter on 99984035 .

The October play is confirmed as **Arsenic and Old Lace** to be directed by Caroline Harman Smith.

Auditions will be in the final week of April-dates and times to be confirmed.

YOU KNOW YOU'RE INVOLVED WITH AMATEUR THEATRE IF.....

- Your living room sofa spends more time on stage than you do.
- You've ever appeared on stage wearing your own clothes.
- You've ever driven around the back of shops looking for discards that can be used for set pieces.
- You can find a prop in the prop room that hasn't seen the light of day in ten years, but you don't know where your own vacuum cleaner is.
- You've ever got a part because you were the only male who showed up for auditions.
- The audience recognizes you the minute you walk on stage because they saw you taking out the rubbish before the show.
- You've ever threatened anyone with a gun held together with electrical tape.
- You've ever had to drag a sofa off stage between scenes wearing an evening gown and heels.
- You've ever played the father of someone your father's age.
- You've ever appeared in a show where an actor leaned out through a window without opening it first.
- You've ever had to play a drunk scene opposite someone who was really drunk.
- You've ever heard the head of the set construction team say, "Just paint it black no one will ever see it."

STAGE ONE ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

Saturday 10th March 2012. 7pm for Dinner at 8pm

CHICKEN ROULADE WITH BACON

Served on a bed of Crispy lettuce

With Caesar Dressing

OR

PRAWN AND AVOCADO

Served with Green Lettuce Salad

With Mint Dressing

BEEF TENDERLOIN

Served Pink (Medium Rare)

Rich Red Wine Sauce scented with Tarragon

Fondant Potatoes

And

Seasonal Vegetables

OR

BAKED SALMON FILLET

Tomato Sauce and Basil Pesto

Creamed Potato Cake

And

Seasonal Vegetables

OR

TEMPURA VEGETABLES

Served with Steamed Basmati Mushroom Rice

And

Teriyaki Sauce

APPLE CRUMBLE TART

OR

VANILLA AND PASSION FRUIT PANACOTTA

With Mango Jelly

And

Raspberry Sauce

COFFEE AND PETIT FOURS

(You are requested to pay for your tickets by Thursday 16th February (club night) and confirm names & numbers for your table and make your choice of Menu.)

WAIT UNTIL DARK

28th February - 3rd March

Box Office opens Monday 6th February

Mon to Fri 10am & 1pm - 99967737

Theatre Box Office: Mon and Fri only, from 10am -12.00 Midday.

boxoffice@stageonetheatre.com .

LADIES DAY

8th - 12th May 2012

ARSENIC AND OLD LACE

2nd -6th October

CALENDAR GIRLS

3rd - 8th December

