

# S.C.S. Players' Newsletter

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## New Season. New Adventures!

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Welcome to the end of the St. Clair Shores Players 51st Season.

We are planning a memorable season for our **52nd** year providing community theater to the public. The St. Clair Shores Players will continue the tradition of producing a variety of plays, from serious to comedy, realistic life to fantasy, with the intention of entertaining the public and giving them a glimpse of another life for a little while.

There are many jobs and tasks that keep the St. Clair Shores Players community theater group running smoothly, so if you would like to volunteer to help email us at [scsplayersorg@yahoo.com](mailto:scsplayersorg@yahoo.com)

Just a few of the positions to consider:

- Become a Board member! President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary are elected positions, but all are available for you to take. There are also a number of appointed positions on the Board of Directors. Give you place on the board some careful thought. We will hold elections in September of 2011. Contact Scott Smith if you are interested in taking a position on the Board.
- Direct a workshop.
- Direct a play.
- Make suggestions for



**All the world is a stage...**  
*As You Like It*  
*Act 2, Scene 7*

fund raisers.

- Run for President!
- Run for Vice President!

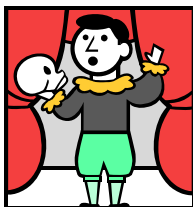
## YOU ARE INVITED TO A PICNIC!

### SCS Players End of Season Picnic

**Where: Spindler Park**  
**19400 Stephens Drive**  
**When: Sunday, June 12**  
**3:00pm—???**  
**Hawaiian Theme!**



## FROM THE DIRECTOR *By Scott Smith*



### Wow, what a show!

I can't tell you how grateful I am for all the participation with "Our Town"! It was truly inspiring for me as director and president to have a cast of 20, my trusty assis-

tant director (thanks honey! :-D), lighting, sound, concessions, and ticket sales... all of whom working together to get this show done.

I have to admit I had some doubts at first with not having all the roles cast right away. But, I had gotten some good advice, mostly to just keep at it, and eventually it all worked out.

We all had a great time putting on the show. I certainly

learned a lot about directing. I've gotten nothing but good, positive feedback from the people who saw the production. I couldn't be happier!

My thanks to everyone who was involved in the show and I hope to see you all involved with future productions with our group!

-Scott Smith

Director of

**OUR TOWN**

## Renew Your Membership

**MEMBERSHIPS  
DUES FOR THE  
2011 - 2012  
SEASON SHOULD  
BE PAID IN FULL  
BY THE SEPTEMBER  
GENERAL  
MEMBERSHIP  
MEETING**

\$20.00 and families are \$30.00. Make your checks payable to "SCS Players" and mail it the to Matthew

Now is the time to show your continued support for the SCS Players and renew your membership for the 2011—2012 season. Single memberships are only

Sheehy our Membership Committee chairman (*see address at the end of this article*). **You can also pay your dues at any General Membership Meeting.**

Here are a few things to remember about memberships. Single members are for anyone 18 years of age and up. Family Memberships include you, your spouse (husband or wife) and your children. Family memberships **DO NOT** include grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and/or boy-

friends/girlfriends. Rollover membership are only available to **NEW** members (those who have **never** belong to the group in the past) who join after the Winter show has ended. Rollover memberships are not available to current or returning SCS Players.

Mail your 2011—2012 dues check to:

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## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Our next General Membership Meeting**

**Will be in September of 2011!**

**(Date to be Announced Soon)**

**In the meantime, enjoy your summer**

**And don't forget to join us June 12th at**

**Spindler Park for the Picnic!**

## A Few Words from the President

Hi All,

I just wanted to thank everyone for an awesome 2010—2011 season!

I especially want to give the Board of Directors a very large "Thank You" for giving their time and effort this past year. Without you, we would not be continuing on

to our 52nd Season!

I am extremely grateful to the entire membership for their continued support. I was very proud of our group for putting on two outstanding shows with "A Bench in the Sun" in the Fall of 2010 and "Our Town" in the Spring of 2011.

I'm really looking forward to next season and I hope to see everyone at our end of the season picnic for food, fun and conversation!

-Scott Smith

SCS Players President

## Our Town or Ballroom Dancing? *By Ken Kusch*



For years, I have been behind the scenes and have helped whenever my wife, Sharon [Kusch], asked me to. So when she asked me if I would like to play a part in the play or to take ballroom dancing lessons, I did not have to think too hard about it. My son Kevin was asked to be the sound director, so this gave us a chance to do something together as a family. Whenever Sharon got a part in a play, I had to listen to her practice her lines any-

way, so now I could practice my lines and make her listen to me.

I really found out how much hard work goes into putting a play together. I was in awe at how talented the actors and actresses and what appears to be so simple is much harder than it looks...the city of St Clair Shores should really get behind this group. The people in this city are very lucky to have this group of wonderful people.

In closing, I would like to say it was an honor to act beside you

and to get to know you and your parents, your children and everybody from the lighting to the concessions.

We had a great director and could not have done it without his wonderful wife, Kathy. Thank you all for a great experience.

P.S. I don't think I ever got my lines completely right!!

Sincerely,

Ken Kusch

## *SCS Players Annual Picnic by Rachel Robinson*

Every year the Players end the season with a day of relaxation, good food, and good company. This year's picnic is set for Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00PM at Spindler Park. We will be providing burgers and hot dogs with all the fixings and just ask that everyone bring their own drinks, seating

and a dish to pass. Family and friends are also welcome. Last year we had a great time relaxing in the sunshine and reminiscing about the previous year's hard work. We even melted a fork or two trying to flip the hot dogs...this year I will remember the spatula, I swear. If anyone would like to bring outdoor

games to play that would be great. Dogs are also okay as long as they are on a leash and you are responsible for cleaning up after them. Last year we had the pleasure of meeting a few of the furry family members and it was a lovely addition! We are looking forward to seeing everyone there!

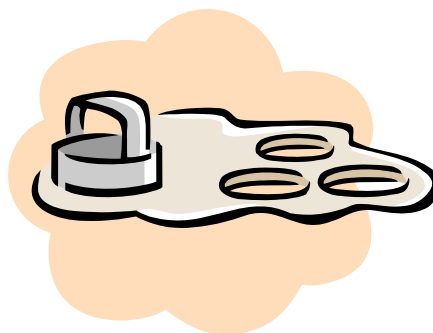
If you were paying very close attention during the opening scenes of OUR TOWN you would have notice the our Mrs. Webb (a.k.a. Rachel Robinson) was making about a hundred “invisible” biscuits to feed the ever hungry Webb family. Well, after making about a thousand of these biscuits during rehearsals and performances, we finally convince Mrs. Webb to give us her recipe... and here it is!



### *Mrs. Webb's Secret Biscuit Recipe*

*This recipe goes back generations. If you paid close attention, it was made the morning we all met The Gibbs' and the Webb's for the first time. Mr. Webb claims it is his favorite recipe of all time. Just don't eat these yummy concoctions too fast or you will not grow up to be big and strong.*

- *2 Cups All Purpose Flour*
- *4 Teaspoons Baking Powder*
- *3 Teaspoons Sugar*
- *½ Teaspoon Salt*
- *½ Cup Shortening*
- *1 Egg*
- *2/3 Cup Milk*



*In a small bowl, combine flour, baking powder, sugar and salt. Cut in shortening until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Beat egg with milk. Stir into dry ingredients just until moistened.*

*Turn onto a well-floured surface, knead 20 times. Roll to ¾ in. thickness; cut with a floured 2-1/2 in. biscuit cutter. Place on a lightly greased baking sheet. Bake at 450 degrees for 8-10 minutes or until golden brown. Serve warm.*

# PHOTO PLAY

## OUR TOWN Dress Rehearsal

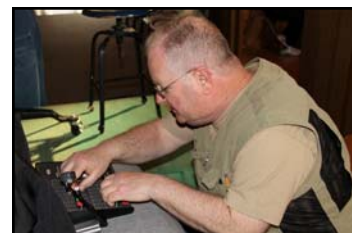
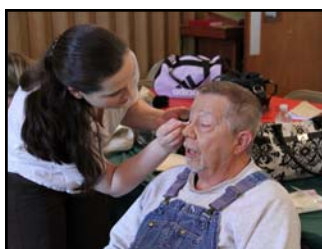
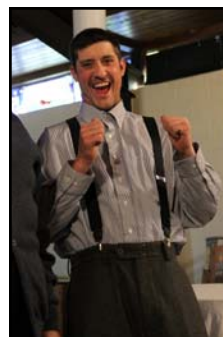
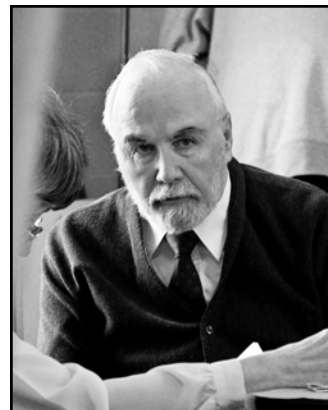
May 6, 2011



# PHOTO PLAY

## OUR TOWN Dress Rehearsal

May 6, 2011



# PHOTO PLAY

## OUR TOWN Performance

May 14, 2011

Photos provided by Sharon Kusch



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### The St. Clair Shores Players

*A Celebration of Community Theater  
 Since 1959*

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### **Mission Statement**

The St. Clair Shores Players is a non-profit community theater group serving the city of St. Clair Shores and the surrounding environs. The SCS Players seek to provide a quality live theater experience to the community and also to provide an outlet for local talent in the production of these plays.

Membership to this group is open to anyone interested in furthering the purpose of the group (you do not need to be a citizen of the city of St. Clair Shores).

The SCS Players have, since the group formed in 1959, always held open casting calls for its productions. If you've got talent and the desire to be in a play or helping in some other capacity we are interested in having you as a member of our group.

## **Upcoming Events—MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

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- 6/9/11 Board of Directors  
 Meeting.
- 6/12/11 End of Season Picnic  
 Spindler Park, Eastpointe  
 3:00 pm - ???

