

# Greely Players News

August 2012

## **Annual General Party – September 9, 2012 at 3pm**

Come out and enjoy a pot luck supper with GP friends at Anne Peterson's house: 1653 Manotick Station Rd. Greely (613) 821-4107  
Come for the AGM at 3pm, and we'll eat at 4:30. Bring a dish to share, and your favorite beverage. Anne will provide hot dogs and hamburgers grilled on the BBQ.

## **The Sound of Music Wows the Audience**

Did we bring in professional singers for the nun's chorus? That was a common question from audience members. Well, no, they were just an awesome group young ladies and women who made beautiful music together. Our Von Trapp kids, the costumes, the puppet scene Leisl and Rolf and the gorgeous mountains painted by our painting ladies also topped the wow list. Maria and Georg had great chemistry, and (best of all according to our treasurer...) we made money on the show. Thanks again to all the cast, supporting parents, backstage team and orchestra for treating the audience to a wonderful experience.



## **Two Bursaries Awarded**

The Greely Players was pleased to award bursaries to two worthy recipients. Natalie Hart, a graduate of Canterbury Arts High School's music program is plays clarinet and was a member of The Greely Players pit orchestra. She has been active in area orchestras including the Ottawa Youth Orchestra. She will be



entering the Bachelor of Music in Clarinet at the Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University, USA.

Our fabulous long-time cast member, Stephanie La Rochelle was our second recipient. She will be entering the Performing Arts Preparation program at Sheridan College in Oakville.

Stephanie is also one of the top 20 finalists in the CBC's "Over The Rainbow" search for Dorothy, to appear in Andrew Lloyd Webber's production of *The Wizard of Oz* opening in December in Toronto.

## **Our Next Show: The Wizard of Oz**

Calling all Ozians and munchkins! We need YOU to help us send the loveable Lion, Tin Man, Scarecrow and Dorothy on their adventure on the yellow brick road to the Emerald City. This show will feature a mixed-age cast with an adult and teen chorus, and a younger group of munchkins. Witches, good and bad, are also invited to audition. We will even be auditioning for Toto! This stage version of Oz includes musical numbers not seen in the movie, while retaining some of the best-loved songs.

Our awesome production team will consist of:

Joan Bruce-Nibogie	Producer
Tim Picotte	Artistic Director
Holly Villeneuve	Vocal Director
Shanna Thomson	Directing Assistant and Choreography
Lise Page	Choreography
John Pohran	Music Director
Anne Peterson and Len Trembley	Set Design/Build

Auditions are scheduled for November 10 and 11, 2012 with an information meeting scheduled for November 4<sup>th</sup>. Watch the Auditions link on the Greely Players website for details.

## **Welcome to our new Director**



Tim Picotte, who will direct our spring show, is the newest addition to the Greely Players family. He has recently directed for Phoenix Players, but has a wealth of community theatre directing experience behind him along with a theatre program from Queen's University.

He is currently the Store Manager for the largest Walmart store in the Ottawa area. He is a wonderful people person and believes that the success of each individual cast member equals success for him as a director. We look forward to having you on board, Tim!

## **Announcing a 'Community Christmas Variety Show'**

Planning is underway for a concert to be held November 30 – December 1, with a date for auditions to be announced. Watch the website for details.