

## ***Inherit the Wind* is on its way to the stage!**

### **Member Highlights**

- Congratulations to the talented cast of *Inherit the Wind*! Click [here](#) to see the cast list.
- Come see Milton Players members Bruce Houston, Kevin Lowney, Erin Stulb, Craig Truax and Maureen Truax perform a scene from the popular Sherlock Holmes story *The Speckled Band* **Saturday, September 20 at 2 PM at the Milton Library**, as part of the Milton Reads program.
- Stop by the Milton Players' table at the upcoming **Celebrate Milton festival on Sunday, October 5, noon to 4 PM.**
- Congratulations to Lucy Gladstone on her DASH award for Best Youth Actor for her role as Anne in *The Diary of Anne Frank*!

### **Executive Board Proceedings, Wednesday, August 27, 2014 (Minutes recorded by Jen Fenlon)**

1. Bill Haynes of the Milton Yacht Club came to the meeting to see about getting a letter of support to send to the Board of Selectmen for the renewal of their lease.

2. Kevin, Maureen, Pat, Dawn, Laura, Glenn, Frank, Erin, Vicki, and Jen were in attendance.

3. Minutes from the last Board meeting were approved.

4. Corresponding Secretary report: "Congrats to the cast" email to be written by Maureen, including dues reminder, to be sent to members. Erin will set up Google doc to keep track of member renewals and new members.

5. Treasurer report: Dawn reviewed Verizon bill after the one-year promotion expired. She will cancel the call-forwarding and will get an additional discount for paying the bill online, saving approximately the amount of the expired promotion.

Eileen Dinn sent a check to the Players. There was discussion on whether it should be considered a donation or for the cost of an ad. Frank will contact Eileen.

Dawn will apply to secure a liquor permit at MHS for the whole season.

6. Publicity report: Pat is in contact with a woman from the Times, who may be interested in writing a feature for *Inherit the Wind*.

Photoshoot is set for October 5, moved from September 25.

Pat will follow up with Fuller Village about possibly subsidizing a driver to shuttle residents to and from the theater.

7. Business Manager report: As of the time of the meeting, there were 68 subscriber renewals and Frank had sent out 39 reminders that morning.

It was suggested to bring subscription forms to Milton Reads.

Next subscription reminder to be sent out as part of the show announcement, after September 15, with one last blast email about two weeks prior to show opening.

Erin confirmed all online sales are in Constant Contact.

8. Member-at-large report: Nothing to report from Laura.

9. Play Reading Committee report: Two lists of plays are under consideration, but committee is still open to suggestion. They are also looking for ideas for musicals. It was suggested to revisit the scoring system in the future.

10. Board entered Executive Session.

11. Board ended Executive Session.

12. Policy and Procedure: Pat will update P&P with changes that were received and will send it to the Board for approval. Glenn will do final edit and send it out before next meeting.

13. Inherit the Wind production report: Thirty-one people came out for auditions. Volunteers to help with auditions overlapped each other, which worked out well.

Show is almost cast. The first rehearsal was Thursday, August 28.

The cast list will be posted online, excluding the parts that have yet to be cast.

Holding earlier auditions was mentioned in order to compete with other theaters in the area, but discussion was tabled for a later time.

The next production meeting is September 14. A lighting crew member is still needed. Frank will follow up with Kate about the set this weekend.

14. Caught in the Net: Audition dates are 11/10 and 11/11 with 11/12 for callbacks. Audition information is not posted online yet, but Pat volunteered to post it. Laura received a letter from the director regarding auditions. He would like to do monologues as well as cold readings. Need to get clarification of the "short pieces" mentioned in the letter. Might be a good idea to bring up audition process in director interviews, suggesting that monologues can be optional, but keeping auditions open.

An idea came up that once the director selects the sides for auditions, they can be scanned and put into a PDF file, which can then be downloaded by auditioners.

Props person is still needed.

15. Milton Reads: Will take place September 20 from 2:00-4:00pm. Pat is collecting information for publicity. It may be a good event for students from the high school to know about. The rehearsal schedule still needs to be finalized and the cast list put online. Pat

Desmond from the Times may do photos.

16. Celebrate Milton: Scheduled for October 5 from 12:00-4:00pm. Will be held outside excepting rain. Season postcards and *Inherit the Wind* postcards need to be ordered. Table and chairs are needed. Volunteer contact is Pat. Will possibly use awning, sandwich boards and/or easels.

17. EMACT membership: Consensus to renew EACT membership passed 7 to 1. Decision to have plays adjudicated to be decided at September board meeting.

18. New business: Ad forms were printed out and handed to cast at first rehearsal for *Inherit the Wind*. Erin will see about reciprocal ads with other local theaters (Needham, Wellesley, Braintree, Walpole). Vicki volunteered to contact Cohasset.

19. Next meeting: The next Board meeting will be September 29, 2014 at 7:00pm at the Milton Yacht Club.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.  
(End of Board Minutes)**