



CCCT TALK

Newsletter of Coal Creek Community Theater

February 2007

BEWARE OF THE STAGE DOOR SLASHER!

Our 18th Season, *Whodunit?*, starts off with a bang with John Bishop's, *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*, directed by Linda Orr. This great ensemble comedy features mayhem, mirth, mystery and, of course, murder.

The creative team responsible for a recent Broadway flop (in which three chorus girls were murdered by the mysterious "Stage Door Slasher") assemble for a backer's audition of their new show at the Westchester estate of the wealthy Elsa Von Grossenknueten (Fiona Turnbull). The house is replete with sliding panels, secret passageways and a German maid (Cathy Ode)—all of which figure diabolically in the comic mayhem which follows when the infamous "Slasher" makes his

reappearance and strikes again—and again. As the composer (David Zaffore), lyricist (Cathy Ciampa Strode), actors (Russ Orr, Kristin Lazzarini, and Scott McLean), producer (Karen Goodwin) and director (Evan Marquez) prepare their performance, a blizzard cuts off any possible retreat, bodies start to drop in plain sight, knives spring out of nowhere, masked figures drag their victims behind swiveling bookcases, and accusing fingers point in all directions. However, and with no thanks to the bumbling police inspector (Ray Viggiano) who shows up to investigate, the mystery is solved in the nick of time and the "Slasher" unmasked—but not before the audience has been treated to a

PERFORMANCES:

February 23, 24 and March 2, 3
7:30pm
February 25 and March 4
2:00pm

Louisville Center for the Arts
801 Grant St.

Tickets:

Adults: \$15
Seniors (55+): \$10
Students (18-): \$10
Group Rates are Available

Box Office:

303-665-0955

www.ccctheater.org

Seats are limited, so advance reservations are strongly suggested

sidesplitting good time and a generous serving of the author's biting, satiric and refreshingly irreverent wit.

Sidesplitting does not even begin to describe this hilarious show. Don't miss your chance for lots of belly laughs this February, order your tickets today!

Opening Night Reception!

Immediately following the performance on **February 23rd**, stick around to enjoy refreshments, finger foods and chats with the cast!



GREASE HIT HIGH NOTES!

This past fall, CCCT resurrected our annual musical with the production of *Grease!* The show, directed by **Steven Carver**,



featured the talents of 20+ stellar actors and actresses. They worked 3 hours a day, 5 days a week for 8 weeks to produce this amazing musical. They worked through grueling musical rehearsals, heart pounding dance practice and many hours of scene study. In the end, they produced a fun and extremely exciting show.

Joe Cameron had just moved to Colorado when he accepted the role of Danny Zuko. Joe says, "I loved this experience. I've performed in a production of *Grease* before, but this cast at CCCT was more talented at almost every role. I had just moved to Colorado and didn't know what to expect. Doing *Grease* was a great way to meet some new

friends and I quickly felt at home here in Colorado. Although it may be cliché to say so, but I truly will have some lifelong relationships with some of the cast." Joe went on to say, "Every show has its own specific challenges and because of the obstacles that this cast had to overcome to produce a great show, strong bonds were formed between us all. I just feel really blessed to have had the opportunity to do this show!"

Grease played the last week of October and the first two weeks of November. They filled the seats nearly every night at the Manhattan Middle School auditorium. *Grease* was a great show and was the



perfect way to bring back our fall musical!

CCCT's Council Doubles in Size

2006 was the end of a 2-year term cycle of the CCCT executive council. Because of this, the council decided to amend our bylaws to allow for expansion of the board to include up to 15 members. So, we sent out a call and contacted various qualified candidates and have come up with an amazing group of board members. Those returning to the board are **Lynn Fleming** (President), **Kathy Rausch** (Vice President), **Joni Kiesecker** (Secretary), and **Linda Feist** (Publicity Advisor). **Evan Marquez** is also returning to the board, but will take on the new task of Website Manager. Although we don't have official titles for most of them, the new

members of the council include **Jan Davison**, **Chris Eastment**, **Megan Eastment**, **Jane Eckenrode** (Treasurer), **Mike Haas** (Technical Advisor), **Linda Orr**, **Russ Orr**, **Joy Robins**, **Dan Schock**, & **Liz Westerfield**. All of these new members have been very active in CCCT as well as other theatres around the area. They have years upon years of acting, directing and technical experience and CCCT will, no doubt, reap the endless benefits of this group's talents.

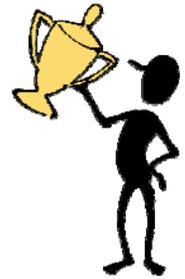
While we are extremely excited about this new group, we also had to say good-bye to two board members. **Arnie Follendorf**, former Community Outreach Advisor, has decided it

best to focus his efforts on his thriving Boulder business. Also, **Marge Patton**, CCCT's treasurer for the past 6 years, is taking a well deserved break from balancing our books to spend time with her family and horses. We sincerely thank Arnie and Marge for their hard work and contributions to CCCT and we wholeheartedly welcome all the new members to the Coal Creek Executive Council!!!



Our Super 17th Season Banquet

On January 20th, we celebrated our 17th Season at our annual banquet. About 50 of us came to the arts center and enjoyed delicious pork tenderloin provided by The Canopy Grill and a fun slideshow recapping our exciting season, and we congratulated all those who won awards for their efforts last season. Just in case you were unable to make it, here is a run-down of the season's winners:



Best Actor: **Scott Swaggart**
Best Actor Runner-up: **Erik Werner**
Best Actress: **Karen Krause**
Best Actress Runner-up: **Jenice Marshall**
Best Supporting Actor: **Mike Calucchia**
Best Supporting Actor Runner-up: **Don Thumim**
Best Supporting Actress: **Linda Button**
Best Supporting Actress Runner-up: **Sarah O'Connor**
Cameo Award-Acting: **Dan Schock**

Best Chorus Member: **Evan Marquez**
Best Set Design/Decoration: **Lynn Fleming & Mike Haas, On Golden Pond**
Best Props: **Emily Martersteck, On Golden Pond**
Best Lighting: **Mike Haas, On Golden Pond**
Best Sound: **Doug Krause & Rick Egleston, On Golden Pond**
Best Production: **Barefoot in the Park**
People's Choice for Best Actress: **Karen Krause**
People's Choice for Best Actor: **Scott Swaggart**

All the above awards, with the exception of the People's Choice Awards, were selected by a panel of 8 secret judges. These 8 judges have very impressive theatre/arts backgrounds which made them qualified to vote on these awards. The judges for last season were **Amy Austin, Josh Colwell, Belinda Haaland, Stacie Hanson, Carl Morrow, Jeanne Rafferty, Steve Rausch, and Ken Slivinski**. A new set of judges will again be judging on the same categories for our 18th Season. The introduction of the 8 secret judges, the numerous awards, and the chance for cast members to reunite were just a few of the many things that made this banquet so much fun. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you so much to everyone involved in making last season one of the most successful in CCCT history!

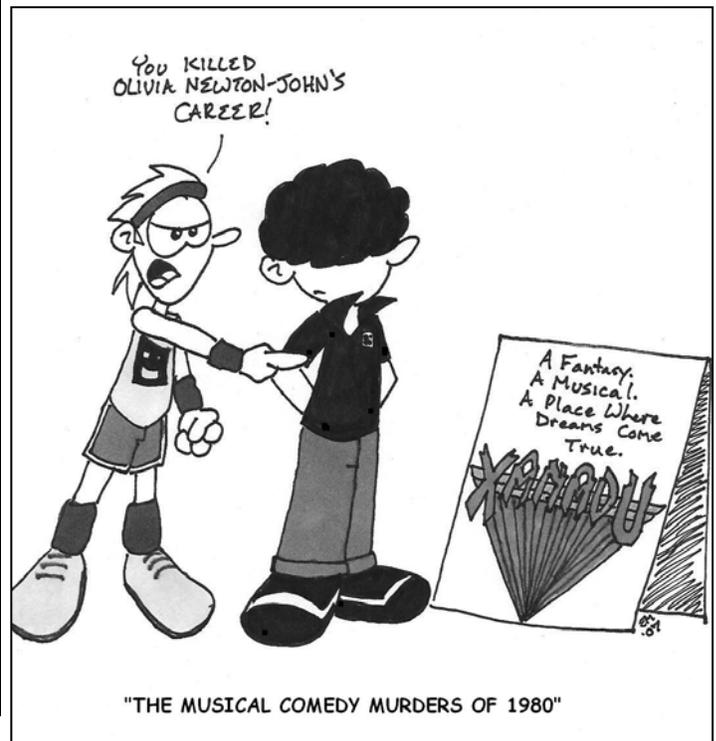
Check Out Our New Website!!

That's right, www.ccctheater.org has been given a much needed facelift! With the help of **Norbert Szolnoky** with Spap Web and a new design by **Linda Feist**, our website is more attractive, informative and functional. You can read about all the members of the council, get directions to the next show, check for rehearsal schedules for the show you're in, and of course buy tickets! We are very proud of our new site so we hope you check it out soon.

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AUDITION NOTICE!

THE MOUSETRAP

By Agatha Christie
Directed by Bernie Cardell

Sunday, March 4th: 6-10pm

Louisville Rec. Center
Crown Room
900 Via Appia Way
Louisville, CO 80027

Cold Readings from the Script

*Contact Bernie Cardell to sign up for
either the 6-8pm or 8-10pm time slot.

bernster74@hotmail.com
or 720-530-4596*

Visit www.ccctheater.org for more info.

SUMMER EVENTS

Jon's Children's Theatre Workshop
June 1st - June 22nd

Variety Show
June 30th
7:30pm

Missoula Children's Theater
The Pied Piper
July 16th - July 21st

New/Local Playwrights Showcase
August 24th
7:30

For complete information regarding these
events, including audition dates and
submission deadlines, please visit

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