



YOUR MONTHLY HEARTBEAT

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President's Corner

Thank you to all who helped to make *Jukebox Jam* a success. We would like your comments and suggestions about what we should do for future shows and look for your feedback. We are also looking for performance venues, so let me know if your senior or religious centers would like to host a show. Keep in mind HOH is YOUR theater group. Give me a call or text any time.

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HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAYS!!

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| 2 Barbara Baker | 18 Carmen Holcombe |
| 2 Lisa Watz | 29 Don Stidham |
| 10 Al Moore | 30 Carol Scheffels |
| 13 Chris Baird | 31 Brigitte Dunn |
| 14 Alison Boggs | |
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HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS!!

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| 5 Riki Nutting | 19 Adrian Balinski |
| 6 Sharron Corbin | 20 Humi Koester |
| 7 Geoff Watz | 21 Paul Messano |
| 9 Steve Watkins | |
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MAY 1, 2024 AUDITIONS POSTPONED

The church venue scheduled for our next Murder Mystery show had to postpone due to significant renovation requirements.

Other prospective venues for the show have not yet committed.

Therefore, we are postponing the scheduled May 1, 2024 auditions to a future date yet to be determined. We'll let you know what develops.

WHAT A GREAT TIME WE HAD



Our "Jukebox Jam" was an exciting 50's & 60's style variety show that was held on April 25, 26 & 27, 2024. It was a HUGE success and we thank all of you who helped by either working on the event in some way or attending (or both)! Hope you had a chance to see "Jukebox Jam"! 3 sold-out performances were well received by those

who attended. The audiences not only enjoyed great music and dancing by the cast, they even got involved in the show. We hope you ALL had a great time. We did! If you missed it, you missed a good time!

Here are some photos from the show:

JJ = "Jukebox Jam"



JJ: The Cast



JJ: The Gals



JJ: The Guys



JJ: Got some "Pink Shoelaces"?



JJ: "Lollipop" & Buddy Holly Jammers



JJ: "Stupid Cupid" & "Fun, Fun, Fun"



JJ: "Doggie In The Window" & "Under The Boardwalk"



JJ: "Que Sera Sera", "Just A Closer Walk", "What The World Needs Now" & "Mambo Italiano"



JJ: "Goodnight Sweetheart, Goodnight"



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JJ: Cast Party



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An **actor** without technicians is a naked person, standing on a bare stage, in the dark, trying to emote.
 A **technician** without actors is a person with saleable skills.

(Thanks for the pics, Jack!!)

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The Kentucky Derby runs on May 4, 2024.
 In its honor, Henny Youngman offers:
 A horse walks into a bar.
 The barman says, "Hey."
 The horse says, "You read my mind!"

Getting to Know You...

Welcome To New 2024 Members!!

Carole Baker: "Jukebox Jam" was Carole's first show with HOH. She has been in 25 OPC shows. She enjoys golfing, traveling, dancing and visiting her family in Florida. Carole retired from a career in real estate appraising.

Angie Fisk: Angie felt honored to be an HOH member and to perform in mini-shows and in Jukebox Jam. She has been in many OPC variety shows and played Hope in "Something's Afoot".

Dan Lambrich: "Jukebox Jam" was Dan's first show with HOH. He has been in over 50 plays since 1978. Dan did standup comedy in the 80's. He had the most fun playing different parts in "Les Miserables" in 2015.

Denise Spencer: Darrell Ahlberg brought Denise to HOH. She's looking forward to working on future HOH projects.

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News Articles For Your Newsletter

Please email your articles, stories or questions about HOH to hohplayers@gmail.com

Come see HOH members in other shows around town:



Al Bartlett is directing ***Guess Who's Coming to Dinner*** at the Depot Theatre, in Clarkston. Performance dates: May 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18. Our own Steve Watkins is also in the cast.



Alison Boggs is in ***It Should Have Been You***, a play at Ridgedale Players. The show runs from May 3rd – 19th, 2024. Visit: <https://ridgedaleplayers.com/tickets/>

THEATRE TRIVIA

(continued from last month)

32. What musical features the song 'Bali Ha'i'?
 33. Who is the central character in 'Jesus Christ Superstar'?
 34. Which musical takes place on the fictional island of Naboombu?
 35. Who played the role of Alexander Hamilton in the original Broadway production of 'Hamilton'?
 36. Which musical is based on a novel by E.L. Doctorow?
 37. What is the main setting for 'The Sound of Music'?
 38. In which decade is 'Jersey Boys' primarily set?
 39. What musical has the subtitle 'The Demon Barber of Fleet Street'?
 40. Who wrote the music for 'Cats'?
 41. Which musical tells the story of the rise and fall of a disco diva?
 42. In which country is 'The King and I' set?
 43. Which musical features the song 'Defying Gravity'?
 44. In which musical do characters go on a 'Jellicle Ball'?
 45. What musical is based on the life of P.T. Barnum?
 46. Which musical is set during the French Revolution?
 47. Who played the original Phantom in 'The Phantom of the Opera' on Broadway?
 48. Which musical features a tribe of hippies protesting the Vietnam War?
 49. In which musical would you find the character Pippin?
 50. What instrument does the character Billy play in 'Billy Elliot'?
 51. Who wrote the music for 'Evita'?
 52. Which musical features a number called 'One'?
 53. In which musical would you find the 'Lovely' song?
 54. Who is the female lead in 'West Side Story'?
 55. Which musical is set in a northern English mining town?
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- 56. What is the name of the lead character in 'The Music Man'?
- 57. In which musical does the character Angel play a pivotal role?
- 58. Who wrote the musical 'Company'?
- 59. What musical tells the story of con artists in the French Riviera?
- 60. Which musical has a setting on a Greek island?
- 61. Who is the rival of Roxie Hart in 'Chicago'?
- 62. In which musical does the song '76 Trombones' appear?

- Answers:** 32. South Pacific; 33. Jesus; 34. Bedknobs & Broomsticks; 35. Lin-Manuel Miranda; 36. Ragtime; 37. Austria; 38. 1960s; 39. Sweeney Todd; 40. Andrew Lloyd Webber; 41. Dreamgirls; 42. Thailand (Siam); 43. Wicked; 44. Cats; 45. Barnum ("The Greatest Showman" is also accepted); 46. Les Miserables; 47. Michael Crawford; 48. Hair; 49. Pippin; 50. Piano; 51. Andrew Lloyd Webber; 52. A Chorus Line; 53. My Fair Lady; 54. Maria; 55. Billy Elliot; 56. Harold Hill; 57. Rent; 58. Stephen Sondheim; 59. Dirty Rotten Scoundrels; 60. Mama Mia!; 61. Velma Kelly; 62. The Music Man

Vincent Van Gogh Family Tree

- His dizzy aunt..... Verti Gogh
- The brother who ate prunes..... Gotta Gogh
- The brother who worked at a convenience store..... Stop N. Gogh
- The grandfather from Yugoslavia..... U Gogh
- His magician uncle Were-diddy Gogh
- His Mexican cousin..... A Mee Gogh
- The Mexican cousin's American half-brother Gring Gogh
- The nephew who drove a stage coach Wells-far Gogh
- The constipated uncle Can't Gogh
- The ballroom dancing aunt Tang Gogh
- The bird lover uncle Flamin Gogh
- An aunt who taught positive thinking..... Way-to-Gogh
- The little bouncy nephew Poe Gogh
- A sister who loved disco Go Gogh
- The brother with low back pain Lum Bay Gogh
- And his niece who travels the country in an RV Winnie Bay Gogh
- I saw you smiling there ya Gogh!

The Historic Truth - May 5

Most people don't know that back in 1912, Hellmann's mayonnaise was manufactured in England. In fact, the Titanic was carrying 12,000 jars of the condiment scheduled for delivery in Vera Cruz, Mexico, which was to be the next port of call for the great ship after its stop in New York.

This would have been the largest single shipment of mayonnaise ever delivered to Mexico. But as we know, the great ship did not make it to New York. The ship hit an iceberg and sank, and the cargo was forever lost.

The people of Mexico, who were crazy about mayonnaise, and were eagerly awaiting its delivery, were disconsolate at the loss. Their anguish was so great, that they declared a National Day of Mourning, which they still observe to this day. The National Day of Mourning occurs each year on May 5th and is known, of course, as Sinko de Mayo.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY --- MAY 12, 2024!

A woman has twins and gives them up for adoption. One of them goes to a family in Egypt and is named "Ahmal". The other goes to a family in Spain; they name him "Juan". Years later, Juan sends a picture of himself to his birth mother. Upon receiving the picture, she tells her husband that she wishes she also had a picture of Ahmal. Her husband responds, "They're twins! If you've seen Juan, you've seen Ahmal."

Armed Forces Day, May 18, 2024:

NATO Commander in the desert. asked a group of troops. "if you found a scorpion in your tent. What would you do?" ARMY said "I would throw a boot at it." Marine said "I would pick it up by the tail/stinger & eat it. Air Force said "I would call Room service & ask why is there a tent in my Room?"

Soldiers in Heaven - re 5/27 Memorial Day

Little Jake asked his mother during the Memorial Day Parade: "Mamma, don't soldiers ever go to heaven?" "Of course they do!" protested his mother. "What makes you ask?" "There are so many soldiers with beards but I never saw any pictures of angels with beards." he replied. The mother responded "Oh, that's because most vets who go to Heaven get there by a close shave."