

SPPA General Meeting  
December 9, 2008  
**Minutes**

**Location:** Drama Room, Godwin High School

President, Donna Llewellyn, called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and distributed agendas.

**Treasurer's Report:**

1. \$200.00 was collected at the concessions table during *Murder at the Cathedral*. After subtracting costs of re-stocking supplies, there was \$50.00 profit. Supplies will carry over to spring musical needs.
2. \$540.00 was made in Joe Corbi profits.

**Membership:**

Booster membership is going strong so far this year. We have 45 members as of now as compared to 54 members from all of last year. There has historically been a big jump in membership during the spring show, so it is expected that membership will exceed the goal for the year.

A color coding system for membership forms was put into place this year to help track the best venues to solicit new members. Only 6 forms came back from Fee Night. It has been determined that it is not cost-effective to put a form into every student packet at the start of the year. Beginning next year, we will not put membership forms in student packets for the whole school, but will continue to set up a table at Fee Night with an SPPA representative and forms available for new members.

Rachel Woodward is also trying to build up an alumni contact database for funding, SPPA membership, and contacts. Let Rachel know if you have any leads on alumni contact information.

**Fundraising Report:**

1. Thanks to Kim Mallard for her dedication and steadfastness in the organization and distribution of the Joe Corbi fundraiser.
2. It looks like the Value Check Book fundraiser did well, although the final dollar amount and number of books sold have not been fully tabulated. Look for a final report next month.
3. *Glory Days* receipts will be turned in this week.
4. We earned \$22.07 from the *Max and Irma's* "Night Out" fundraiser.
5. Janice Hassell will check with *Five Guys* about future fundraising opportunities.

**Master Class:**

It has been decided to move ahead with plans for the Master Class to be held on Saturday, February 21. The schedule will include an hour and a half block in the morning, a break, and an hour and a half block in the afternoon. A fee will be charged to attend the classes and the day will also be promoted to the general public outside of Godwin. Qualified teachers from the professional acting community are currently being sought, and Mr. Damron needs SPPA members to help put the word out for this. More information about class offerings

and logistics will follow once the teachers have committed. Rachel Woodward will work on a pamphlet for this. Ruth McMahon will talk to a potential teacher from HAT Theatre.

### **Spring Musical, *Grease*:**

- |                                   |             |                             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Playbill prices have been set: | 1/4 page -  | \$40.00 (down from \$50.00) |
|                                   | 1/2 page -  | \$75.00 (down from \$95.00) |
|                                   | Full page - | \$145.00 (down from 165.00) |

Prices have been because businesses will only get their ad in one program instead of two. Katie Hatwick will be chair the Playbill committee for *Grease*.

2. Donna called for volunteers for committee chairs for *Grease*. Everyone needs to think about where they can fit in and be ready to sign up at the next meeting in January.
3. Donna is looking for someone to learn how to put together the playbills and be the webmaster. This person would apprentice for the *Grease* and take it over for next year.

### **Mac Damron's Report:**

1. Spring Trip – There will be 16 people from Tuckahoe Middle School for the trip to Disney. This is their spring trip as well and their teacher, Mr. Derek Phelps, wanted to get in on the savings that comes with a larger group.
2. Deborah Collins (mother of alumni, Chris) has been in the hospital with encephalitis. It has been very serious (touch-and-go) for a while, but she is hoping to be released today. She is using a walker. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers.
3. Keith Miller is interested in doing a dinner theater. More information to follow.
4. On February 11, 2009, Godwin will host the Colonial District Theater Competition (one act plays). We will be selling food in the afternoon to attendees. More information will be coming soon. Our one-act will be *Bang, Bang, You're Dead* about a high school student who kills three people at school after killing his family. Auditions for this show will be tomorrow.
5. Auditions for *Grease* will be held in February.
6. Seventy invitations were sent out today for the annual Thespian Holiday Party to be held on December 20, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. This event is held in Mac's home. Shrimp trays are provided and current members bring appetizers or a side dish. Officers host the party but, Mac is asking for parent volunteers to help chaperone.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 13, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Lafoon  
SPPA Secretary