

SPARKS FROM THE ANVIL

NUNSENSE OPENS AT FORGE NOVEMBER 7th

Tired of the stress of everyday life? Need a break? Why not spend a fun-filled evening with the Little Sisters of Hoboken? These wacky nuns are guaranteed to make you smile. And, let's face it folks, with elections upon us, the holidays quickly approaching and the many demands placed on all of us daily basis, sometimes a little fluff is just what the doctor ordered!



The Little Sisters of Hoboken find themselves in dire need of funds to bury 52 of their sisters who met their eternal reward with a little help from some tainted vichyssoise, so they put on a show to raise the funds. Featuring star turns, tap and ballet dancing, an audience quiz, and comic surprises, this show has become an international phenomenon and has spawned six sequels.

By Dan Goggin
 Directed by
 Steve & Marianne DiNenno

November 2008

Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	7	8	
	14	15	16
20	21	22	

December 2008

Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
4	5	6	

CAST

Reverend Mother Jennifer Dinan
 Sister Mary Hubert Mia Mbuy
 Sister Robert Anne Raina Frey
 Sister Mary Amnesia Christa Wisneski
 Sister Leo Heather McConnell

STAFF

Producer Steve Schulz
 Director Steve DiNenno
 Assistant to the Director. . . Marianne DiNenno
 Music Director Denise Wisneski
 Choreographer Renée Schulz
 Stage Manager Mary Fitzgerald

Special Events during the show:

1. As part of the production, the Nuns do fundraising for the burial of their sisters. Fortunately, we do not have that problem. HOWEVER, there will be a 50/50 raffle during each performance with half of the money to go to the lucky ticket holder and half to go to Phoenixville Area Community Services (PACS). PACS is a wonderful organization who helps provide food and other services to people in need in our community. So bring your money and GOOD LUCK!
2. The Audience Choice awards that we started during "Shakespeare in Hollywood" continue for "Nunsense." Get your ballot at the box office, enjoy the show and make sure to vote in the gold box in the lobby on the way out. Winners to be announced and awards given at next year's banquet.

Tickets for this fun musical will sell quickly. Make your reservations now!

Forge Theatre

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Phoenixville, PA 19460

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<http://www.forgetheatre.org>

Calling All Forge Members!

If you are available to do Hospitality for *Nunsense*, please contact Janet Hoehl at janet.hoehl@verizon.net

Show dates: November 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22 AND December 4, 5, 6
All Shows 8:00 pm with 2:00 Sunday matinees

God Bless You!

(No vichyssoise, please!)

Auditions for "Baby with the Bathwater" coming soon!

Auditions for Christopher Durang's *Baby with the Bathwater* will be held on **Tuesday December 9th and Thursday December 11th at 7:30 PM**. The cast requires two men and three women of any age. Auditions will primarily consist of cold readings from the script. Familiarity with both the script and the characters is recommended. Rehearsals will be held on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings and performances take place the first three weekends of March 2009. There will be a very limited rehearsal schedule during the month of December. Please contact Eric Jarrell at Bathwater2009-forgetheatre@yahoo.com with any questions.

Around The Community

Wendy Mirto will be appearing as Amanda Wingfield in Tennessee William's *The Glass Menagerie* opening November 18th -23rd at Kutztown University, Rickenbach Theatre. 610-683-4092

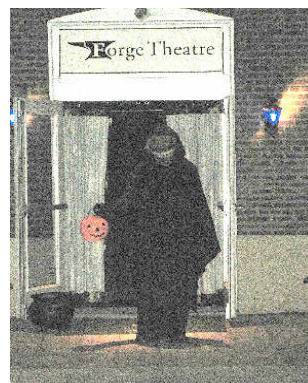
SAVE THE DATES!!

The 2008/2009 Forge Board has been working on more fun things for our Forge Family. The Friday and Saturday after "Nunsense" closes, **December 12th and 13th**, come to the theatre for a Dramatic Reading of "A Christmas Carol". Deb Braak is staging the reading and it should last about 1 hour. This will be open to the public with refreshments served and a \$5 donation encouraged. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Following the reading, anyone interested will flow into the streets of Phoenixville for some **Christmas Carolling**. More information will appear in the December issue of "Sparks." This should be a wonderful evening so mark it on your calendar and we hope to see you all there.

The next date to save is **Friday, February 6, 2009**. This is the date of our next **Membership Meeting**. This is an important one to come to since we have not achieved a quorum for our last two meetings and still have unfinished business to take care of. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to come.

FORGE celebrates Halloween!

Steve & Renee Schulz and John and Carolyn Corr opened the theatre to trick-or-treaters again this year. They made the lobby very spooky by covering the lobby lights with red gels and covering all the lobby stuff with masking flats. We all dressed up and had a great time. We gave out candy to about 150 kids. Along with the candy, the trick-or-treaters received a little card with Forge Theatre's info on it, including the season, address, phone numbers, website and a special blurb about the summer youth program for 2009. A ghoulishly good time was had by all. Photos below.



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TO ALL FORGE MEMBERS:

Please fill this out and return to Hal Holzer ASAP. (contact information at the bottom of the page.)

We want to include as many members in this survey as possible with a list of results and resources available early next year.

Thank you for your participation!

Talent & Interest Inventory

This inventory has been missing for many years, but is a way of helping to include as many members as possible in the running of the theatre. It also will serve as a document for all producers and directors and board members to use when trying to find help and/or expertise in a given area. So many times we hear of people who are willing to help but never get asked. We hope to rectify that problem to include everyone that is willing.

Please fill in the following information: _____ Name
_____ Phone
_____ Email

Then examine the list below – ignore or cross off any item that does not interest you.

Then rate the remaining items as follows: 1 – Willing to learn, little or no experience
2 – Some experience
3 – Experienced

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Producing | <input type="checkbox"/> Directing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Choreography | <input type="checkbox"/> Music Director |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Set Design | <input type="checkbox"/> Light Design |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sound Design | <input type="checkbox"/> Stage Manager |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Costume Design | <input type="checkbox"/> Tech Operator - lights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Costume Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Tech Operator - sound |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Set painting | <input type="checkbox"/> Set Construction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Detail Painting | <input type="checkbox"/> Hanging Lights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrician | <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair Stylist | <input type="checkbox"/> Make-up Artist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Props | <input type="checkbox"/> Line Coach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Box Office Help | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Serve on Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Banquet Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Web Site Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Friday PR on Bridge Street | <input type="checkbox"/> Program & Flyer art design |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Costume loft maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Garage Clean out |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Costume loft clean out | <input type="checkbox"/> Front yard maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Orchestra (which instruments?) | |

Please list any other skills or creative talents not covered above (i.e. fencing instructor, stage combat, good w/ computers, dance abilities–ballroom, tap, ballet, etc.)

Email this to Hal Holzer @ hrholz@verizon.net

Or to Hal Holzer at 58 St. Andrews Blvd., Limerick, PA 19468

Or put it in Hal's theatre mailbox (general productions) at the bottom of the steps