

"In the Spotlight" - Tanuary 2015-

Upcoming Events & Show News

<u>COME ALL YOU RVCO MEMBERS TO THE POTLUCK DINNER ON JANUARY 18</u>! RVCO invites all members to kick off the New Year with a potluck dinner on **Sunday, January 18**th at Stage One. We're asking people to bring a dish - enough to feed 8 - according to the first letter of your last name: A-H - bring sides; I-P - bring main course; Q-Z - bring dessert.

We'll start at 5 pm and end in time for rehearsals for Kiss Me, Kate to begin. What a great way to see old friends and meet new ones!



CAST ANNOUNCEMENT & CHORUS CALL

Music and Lyrics by Cole Porter Book by Bella and Samuel Spewack

Kate Nealley, Stage Director Mike Stadnicki, Music Director

Lilli Vanessi / Katherine	Catherine Ard
Lois Lane / Bianca	Gillian Terminiello
Hattie	Jeannine Loughran
Fred Graham / Petruchio	Jay Anstee
Bill Calhoun / Lucentio	Kenneth Fisher
First Man	Al Alvarez
Second Man	Robert Moore
Harry Trevor	Rob Knowlton
Hortensio	David Zaffarano
Gremio / General Howell	Edwin Nealley
Paul (speaking role)*	TBD
Ralph	Ellie Knickman
Haberdasher	Paula Gonzalez
Doorman	TBD

Additional minor roles will be filled by chorus.

^{*} Paul's dance features shall be performed by Kenneth Fisher.

RVCO Cast FAQ's

HOW CAN I BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CHORUS? If you are interested in singing in the chorus, please contact Julie: <u>japzaff@aol.com</u> or 610-325-6568. We need a performer count prior to the kick-off on Sunday, January 11th.

WHAT ABOUT REHEARSALS?

Where? Stage One, Performing Arts Complex, 101 Plush Mill Rd, Wallingford, PA.

When? Sundays (7:00-9:30pm), Mondays (7:30-10:00pm), and

Wednesdays (7:30-10:00pm)

Policy? Performers may not miss more than three of the rehearsals they are called for,

unless receiving permission from the directors.

IF I JOIN THE CHORUS, WHAT IS EXPECTED OF ME?

You will be expected to provide any date conflicts by the second rehearsal date (except emergencies), learn the music and the blocking. *All performers must participate in every performance*. In addition, performers pay annual membership dues (\$25) and are expected to sell tickets and sponsorships. We are a "family" group that pulls together!!

WHEN IS TECH WEEK?

Tech Week Schedule: Friday, March 27 (move set)

Saturday, March 28 (Sitzprobe 1:00pm)

Sunday, March 29 (tentative)

Monday March 30 (run)

Tuesday, March 31 (tech)

Wednesday, April 1 (tech)

Monday, April 6 (dress)

Tuesday, April 7 (dress)

Wednesday, April 8 (dress)

<u>CLOSING NOTE</u>: Rose Valley Chorus & Orchestra has a reputation for excellent productions. Just as important, we have fun! So come out and meet your old friends and make some new ones!

AUDITION NOTICE: Nunsense 2

No Nonsense about *Nunsense*. After the excitement of *The Gondoliers* and *Kiss Me Kate*, RVCO will be embarking on a third production this season: Dan Goggin's *Nunsense 2*, the uproarious sequel to the popular show *Nunsense*. Taking place six weeks after their first benefit (to raise money for the other 52 residents of the convent who were accidently poisoned by Sister Julia's tainted vichyssoise), the show follows the continued adventures of the Little Sisters of Hoboken. Things get off to a rousing start, but chaos erupts when two Franciscans come to claim Sister Amnesia as their own. Do they want her or just her winnings from the Publishers' Clearing house Sweepstakes?

This production promises to be very entertaining, but it has a serious side as well. RVCO has partnered with the Community Action Agency of Delaware County (CAADC) to support its "Save Our Shelters" program, which provides emergency housing and services for families and individuals in times of crisis. Services include meal programs, life skills support, employment search support, computer skills and many other services. A portion of *Nunsense 2* ticket sales and sponsorships will be used to support the CAADC Shelter program.

Auditions will be held for Saturday Jan 31st and Sunday Feb 1st. The performances will be held on June 19 and 20th at Stage One. The show will be directed by Julie Zaffarano (stage) and Susan Guyer (music). Enjoy a hysterically heavenly high-energy show AND help a worthy cause!

Performance Follow-Up

GONDOLIERS: Another big thank you to everyone on the board for asking me to direct this show and for your full support through rehearsals and the run. While the production value and overall talent is excellent, what draws me to this company are the people involved. From leads to chorus, costumes to props, and set to backstage, everyone has been wonderful to work with. The set, props, and



Some of the Costume Team from The Gondoliers.

costumes were exactly what I was hoping they would be. The thing that made my job the easiest though, by far, was Barb. She was amazing every step of the way and did everything in her power to make my vision of Gondoliers come to life. I look forward to working with all of you again!

~ Dan Williams



CAROLING: On Friday, December 5th an enthusiastic group of RVCO members sang as back-up for Santa at the Concordville Township's "Photo with Santa" evening. The Concord Community Center was beautifully decorated, the children were especially good for Santa, and Frosty the Snowman (aka Wayne Jones) was loved by all! Many thanks to those who participated and to Mary Beth Dostillio who makes

sure that we are invited to this annual event. Come join us next year!!

Get Involved!

Bob Moore, the newest member of the RVCO Board, is creating a Show Selection Committee, and would like members from RVCO to serve as part of the team. A fairly decent knowledge of shows would be nice but also a willingness to do some research on shows submitted in the committee as to their availability, appropriateness for RVCO, etc. is needed. If anyone is interested in being a part of this very important new committee, please email Bob

at <u>robert moore25@comcast.net</u> (robert_moore25@comcast.net) and "we'll talk!" Our meetings can probably be handled online through emails so people can participate in this from the comfort of their homes. Thank you for your interest!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to RVCO member **Caity Bramanti (née Moon)** and her husband, Brandon. They finally welcomed Aiden Joseph Bramanti on November 24, 2014. He weighed 8lbs, 8oz and was 20 inches long.

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Brian Walsh and Ryan Goulden, active members of RVCO as performers and directors, are so delighted to have bought a house. Best wishes, Brian and Ryan!







BIG NEWS! We are excited to announce that RVCO members **Abby Clifford** and **Chris Capitolo** who are now engaged!

What our members are doing outside of RVCO...

Bob Moore recently returned from a pilgrimage to the Holy Lands and other places in Israel. He was there for close to

three weeks in November and had a fabulous experience which he'd love to share with those who are interested! He visited such places as the Western Wall, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Church of the Resurrection (built upon the Rock of Golgotha), the birthplace of Jesus in Bethlehem, Lazarus' tomb, the tomb of King David, Masada, the Via Dolorosa (the stations of the cross), and many other fascinating sites! He had a wonderful time but is glad to be back in the USA with all his RVCO friends and family!

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Stacy Moscotti will be performing in a cabaret on Saturday January 24, 2015 with Katie Cox and RVCO President, Ryan Goulden. This one night only performance at Stage One Performing Arts Complex (101 Plush Mill Road, Wallingford, PA) is a fundraiser benefit for Alex's Lemonade Stand Fund, for whom Stacy is running the Disney Princess Half Marathon in Orlando in February. Stacy and Ryan will reprise some of their favorite tunes from RVCO's production of Evita as well as other favorites. Tickets are \$25.

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Trudy Graboyes has been nominated for best actress in a musical (Fräulein Schneider in CABARET, the musical at Sketch club Players in NJ) by Broadway World Awards in New Jersey. Won't you please help her out by voting at www.broadwayworldawards.com?

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