

"In the Spotlight"

In the Spotlight is the quarterly newsletter for friends and family of Rose valley Chorus & Orchestra

Spring 2016





The Music Man – Performance Dates:

Friday, April 15, 2016 Saturday, April 16, 2016 Wednesday, April 20, 2016 Saturday, April 23, 2016 Sunday, April 24, 2016

Performance 8 p.m.
Performance 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Performance 8 p.m.
Performance 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Performance 2 p.m.

It is not too late to get tickets! Visit www.rvco.org.

Rose Valley's Fall 2016 Production is "Iolanthe"

Iolanthe; or The Peer and the Peri is a comic opera with music by Arthur Sullivan and libretto by W. S. Gilbert. It is one of the Savoy operas and is the seventh collaboration of the fourteen between Gilbert and Sullivan. More information on auditions will be coming soon. Dates for Iolanthe are:

Saturday, November 5, 2016 Sunday, November 6, 2016 Wednesday, November 9, 2016 Saturday, November 12, 2016 Sunday, November 13, 2016 Performance 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Performance 2 p.m. Performance 8 p.m. Performance 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Performance 2 p.m.



Rose Valley Annual Appeal – We Need YOU

The RVCO fiscal year 2015-16 Annual appeal is now going on until June 30th. So far we have received \$2,400 in donations. Last fiscal year, we received \$2,050.

We certainly can use YOUR help as we try to finance some much needed maintenance and improvements at our Firehouse on Bortondale Road. Thank you to all for your generous donations. It is greatly appreciated.

Rose Valley Annual Meeting:

The Annual Meeting & Picnic is being planned in July. Be on the lookout for a Save The Date notice.

Nailed In Vegas Returns!



Back by popular demand, *Nailed in Vegas*, the murder mystery that rocked the Delaware Valley in 2012-2013, will have two encore performances in May 2016. One performance has been commissioned as a fundraiser by the Aston Lioness and will benefit RVCO. A second performance, also benefitting RVCO, on the evening of May 21 will transform Stage One in Wallingford to the "Longshot Hotel and Casino." Whether you missed this show the first time around or just can't wait to see it again, you will be drawn into the not-quite-so glamourous Vegas atmosphere of the Longshot. You will be entertained by talented performers, an intriguing musical murder mystery, and hysterically funny dialog. You will meet such personalities as "Elveez" and Wayne Newtown. And it wouldn't be unusual if Tom Jones or Cher joined us.

Nailed in Vegas was written by Julie Zaffarano for RVCO. The May 21 cast is:

Sonja Allen (Lotta Mularkey) Catherine Ard (Crystal Ball) Chris Capitolo (Jack Cass) Ryan Goulden (Justin Heaven) Susan Guyer (Helen Wheels) Ray Murphy (Chester Gigolo) Edwin Nealley (Sheerluck Jones) Dave Zaffarano (Sound Guy)

Mark the date: May 21 at Stage One! More information to come.



Rose Valley in the Community

Members of RVCO performed for retired priests and brothers at St. Joseph's University. Not sure who had a better time – the residents or the roadshow crew! Special thanks to Julie Zaffarano for setting up the event and Bruce Bogdanoff for playing Piano for the group.



Rose Valley Mailers:



Many thanks to our volunteers who helps us prepare the *Music Man* flyer for mailing!

Rose Valley Here and There:

So many members of RVCO are involved in other activities, here is a list of what they are doing:

- * Susan & George Guyer have moved. Good luck in your NEW House.
- * Isabelle is extremely excited to be back with her first community theater family playing what could be the tallest Amaryllis ever in RVCO's The Music Man in April. But, you can also catch her as the Minstrel in Once Upon a Mattress, Jr. at Phoenixville Area Middle School on March 10, 11, and 12 at 7 PM.
- * Lyndsay Varsaci will be the Soprano Soloist in the U.S. Premier of Fasch's Mass for 16 Voices. The concerts will be held on March 12 at 7:00PM at The Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill and March 13 at 4:00PM at Saint Francis in the Fields, Malvern. Tickets available at thebrandywinesingers.org
- * Sonja Allen is selling her Samick baby grand piano, ebony finish, \$4000. The piano tuner who has serviced it since purchase has agreed that he will personally vouch for the integrity of the piano. His name is Steve Sikora and if interested I will supply his phone number. We are in the process of selling our home in Bryn Mawr and would love to see the piano go to a loving home. This piano has been the focal point of many, many parties. Please spread the word! Thanks, Sonja bobsonja@comcast.net
- * You can see some of your fellow RVCO members performing in the Ardensingers' production of *H.M.S. Pinafore* from April 22-30. Paula Gonzalez (Cousin Hebe), Sue Hudson (chorus), and Doug Kurtze (Bob Becket) would love to see you there!
- * Shelli Ezold is starring in *John & Jen: A new musical* at the Wilmington Drama League from March 10-13. This is the story of Jen and her relationships with the two Johns of her life. Jen and her younger brother John are growing up in the ever-changing world of mid-century America. As the country becomes divided over the war in Vietnam, so does the family, and battle lines are drawn between the once-close siblings. Jen is left to reconcile her memory of their fractured relationship along with his namesake, her son who is trying to find his way in a confusing world. See www.wilmingtondramaleague.org for tickets or more information.

Election of Board Members – Save the Date April 9th

The Election of the 2016-2017 RVCO will be held on Saturday, April 9th at 9:00 am before the start of the Music Man sitzprobe at Stage One. The positions of President, Vice President, and 2 Members-at-Large are up for election. All life members as well as duespaid members who have participated within the past three years are eligible to vote.

RVCO Fundraising – Amazon Smile

There is another way you can help RVCO that will not cost you any money and only about 30 seconds of your time. RVCO has enrolled in an amazing program called Amazon Smile. If you are like the majority of Americans who shop on-line at Amazon.com, you can help RVCO just by shopping.

Here's how it works. Instead of using the www.amazon.com/website, use the following website: www.smile.amazon.com. Everything is the same -- your account, the items, the prices. When you access the site for the first time, it will allow you to designate "Rose Valley Chorus" (that's our official name to the IRS) as your Amazon Smile charitable beneficiary. You are now set up to shop and help RVCO.

After this set up, just remember to use www.smile.amazon.com whenever you want to shop. Your prices remain the same. The only difference is that Amazon will automatically donate 0.5% of the price of your purchases to RVCO. That can really add up!

So, please, if you are an Amazon shopper, try Amazon Smile today! Select "Rose Valley Chorus" as your designated charity and start shopping!

2016 RVCO Board

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Ed Nealley – President
Barb Matheson – Vice President
Paula Gonzalez – Secretary
Mary Beth Dostillio – Treasurer
At-Large Members:

Robert Moore, Ken Clark, Bill DeFeo, Cathy Wakefield and Chris Rubino.

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If you would like to contribute to the RVCO newsletter by sending information about a member, please send an email to Bill DeFeo wmidii@aol.com or Paula Gonzalez cookiesmistress@gmail.com

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