

SHO NEWS

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Here's to a healthy
and prosperous
2010
for one and all!

1. President's Message

Dear SHO Members,

Thank you for your faithful service this year. I know Dolly, the other committee chairs, and the Hult Center staff all value our dependability in arriving in a timely manner when we have signed up to volunteer our time. We are all so busy; we appreciate you staying in communication!

Speaking of communicating, have you visited the SHO website at www.1sho.com recently?? Rudy Fecteau is doing a wonderful job of keeping it updated and looking quite attractive. Also, Dianna Campbell-Bressler has organized an e-mailing list that can be utilized to send out messages to most of the other SHO volunteers. If you have an announcement that would be a benefit to others to know about, that is a quick way to communicate your news. Thank you, Dianna!

Excitement is growing about our **2nd annual Wine Tasting and Silent Auction**. Write it on your calendars for **Saturday, January 30th, from 4 - 7 pm**. Dianna is in need of volunteers to help at the event, so you can contact her at natlee@gmail.com or call her at 688-8462 if you can donate an hour or two. Otherwise, the tickets are on sale now at the box office for \$15.

Have you looked in your closets to see if there is anything there that would make a good donation item for the Silent Auction? Remember, if you got a gift you have limited (or no) use for, we would love to have it in the Silent Auction. You can contact auction chair Paula Charboneau at pcharb@aol.com (935-0958) or Patti Baumberger at majesticarchie@aol.com (607-0123) to arrange for pick up.

After all the dust settles, the Board will be presenting a **Volunteers Appreciation Luncheon on Thursday, March 18th at 12:15 pm**, right after the SHOCASE featuring Ballet Fantastique. It will be for all the volunteers of SHO, so I hope to see you there! Please let Dolly know if you will be able to join us, so we can plan how much to make!!

February and April will bring us more school children involved in the Symphony and Ballet programs. Rocky Haffner needs more volunteers to be crossing guards to keep the children on track and safely moving from 4th & Charnelton to 6th and Willamette. Rocky can be contacted at hrandy1@msn.com or on his cell at 541-556-7621.

The other big news is that in a cost saving move, the Hult Center will be closing at 5:30 p.m. unless there is an event scheduled. As a consequence of that, our SHO Board meetings are being rescheduled to coincide with the Symphony's rehearsals on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. We will be having our January Board meeting as scheduled on January 4th due to the gracious goodwill of Sue Douglas who has offered her home, but otherwise, the Board will be meeting on February 16th, March 16th, April 20th, and May 18th. Our June meeting will be scheduled later.

The **Annual Meeting** is scheduled to be held on **Tuesday, June 15th at 5:30 pm**. If that date needs to be rescheduled, it will be announced in the next newsletter.

I hope your holidays have been happy, and that your favorite football teams won!!!

Judy



2. **You're invited! 2nd Annual SHO Wine Tasting and Silent Auction**

Join us on January 30th from 4-7pm for the second annual SHO Wine Tasting and Silent Auction. Enjoy wonderful entertainment as you sample great wines and bid on your favorite items.

This year's wineries are

Benton-Lane, Chateau Lorane, Silvan Ridge – Hiniman Vineyard, Willamette Valley Vineyards.

We are pleased to have Cravings and Euphoria Chocolates bringing their tasty treats.

In addition, we have a wide variety of items to bid on in our Silent Auction. Not sure what to do with that "special" Christmas present you received? Donate it to the auction to help support SHOcase concerts and Performing Arts Student of the Month. Please call Paula at 968-0463 to make your donation. We can get it picked up if that helps.

Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased through the box office or from any board member.

There are a limited number of tickets, so buy your tickets early before they are sold out!

3. **A Special Evening of Culture**

We had a lovely evening at the dessert social last September 22nd that featured Cynthia Kirk of the Oregon Cultural Trust. She did the best job I have ever heard of explaining how the Cultural Trust works. I was surprised to find out that Oregon is one of the few states to have implemented a Cultural Trust funded with tax dollars. As a consequence, Oregon's fund has grown exponentially, and garnered over \$6 million dollars in just a few years. In just the second year, hundreds of thousands of dollars were given in grants to many of the over 1500 non-profits listed on their website. As the funding grows, every year more money is channeled to these organizations to aid them in their endeavors and it also helps stabilize the local economies in their communities. Cynthia pointed out that using our tax dollars to fund the Cultural Trust is a window of opportunity now, and could very easily go away in any given legislature.

Riley Grannen from the Eugene Ballet brought many of the masks and other props from their production of "Children of the Raven." Jackie LaRue came to assist. He did a wonderful presentation of how far reaching their grant was used. It paid for the story outlines, paid for the music and the unique costuming, and paid for the outlying touring the Ballet Company was able to do. Riley said because of the grant, it was fiscally possible for the Ballet Company to appear in LaGrande and many other places that the size of the venues make difficult to recoup the costs of putting on ballets.

Another special guest was Patrick Hosfield of the Oregon Bach Festival. He reminded us that many of us got to stay home and listen to some of the best presentations of the Bach Festival because they used their grant to broadcast some of the concerts live over KWAX radio. I actually had meant to participate in one of their broadcasts, and wondered how that had happened!!

Another special treat was enjoying all the special desserts the Board brought to add sweetness to our lives. People were murmuring to their friends about how this and that were particularly yummy. It made me revisit the thought of putting a SHO cookbook together as yet another fund raiser!!

4. **Thanks to our SHO Volunteers!**

The SHO Board would like to invite all volunteers to a luncheon in **your** honor on Thursday, March 18th at 12:15 p.m. in The Studio

(right after the SHOcase featuring the Ballet Fantastique @ 11:15 a.m.)

Contact Dolly Cook to reserve your spot; **541-688-1746 dollycook8@msn.com**

If you have a guest you would like to bring, please let Dolly know.

If you are a SHO member and would like to join us for this festive occasion but are not a volunteer, please contact Dolly as well

5. November Student of the Month

Alex Graham, 17, a senior at Springfield High School, has been chosen as SHO's Performing Arts Student-of-the-Month for November. Alex is a talented and dedicated actor, singer, dancer and student director. He's been the leading man in many of Springfield High's productions. Last year he juggled the challenging roles of George in "Our Town," Bo Decker in "Bus Stop," and Romeo in "Romeo & Juliet Hip-Hopera." The last role was particularly demanding - in addition to making Shakespeare's language clear and engaging to the public, Alex performed a variety of rap songs and hip hop dances. He also performed in "Damn Yankees" and is currently starring in "The Curious Savage" and in the comedy review "Hanging by Our Fingernails 22."

He has won the praise of his teacher not only for his talent but also for his hard work, dedication, and willingness to mentor and nurture the new students. He continues to take Advanced Placement classes and serves as an Academic Assistant in a beginning theatre class. As a student director he dedicated part of his summer vacation to analyze and prepare his script for production.

In addition to theater, Alex is also a member of Springfield High's elite Kaleidoscope and Concert Chorale. He plans to study performing arts and film.

6. December Student of the Month

Lizzy Monroe, 17, a senior at South Eugene High School, is a talented musician. She has played both the harp and the piano since elementary school studying under Jane Allen and Patricia Morse. She is the principal harpist for the Arts Umbrella Youth Symphony. In her piano studies, she has completed Level X, the top level of the Oregon Music Teachers' Association (OMTA) syllabus program, with honors. She received the Paderewski medal and is working toward completing her senior diploma from the American College of Musicians. She also attended the summer piano institute at Ithaca College.

Lizzy performed in the fall and spring concerts of the Arts Umbrella Youth Symphony, the Oregon Junior Bach Festival, Eugene Symphony/Youth Symphony's Faure Requiem, and the Eugene Symphony Christmas Walk, the LCC Garden Walk, Barnes and Noble, local nursing homes, her church, and fundraisers for local organizations such as the Girl Scouts. She particularly loves the music of Debussy and the contemporary composer Jon Schmidt. During group piano lessons, she mentors the younger students.

Next year Lizzy plans to attend college where she will continue to study, perform and share music.

7. SHO Binocular/Cushion News

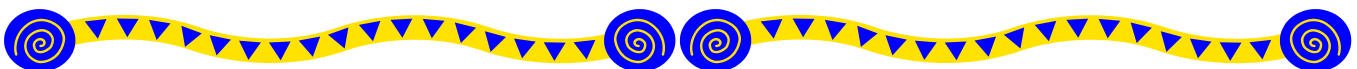
In the last few months, while at the SHO Desk, three pair of rented binoculars were returned by patrons because they could not be focused and one pair was actually broken. All four pair were sent to Bushnell Repair Division to be checked out. Thanks to a great relationship SHO has established with Bushnell they have graciously replaced all four pair of binoculars with new Bushnell Falcon 7x35's at no charge to SHO.

In addition, during several telephone conversations with the Supervisor of the Repair Division, it was indicated Bushnell was very interested in supporting the Hult Center in any way they could. From these conversations came a wonderful offer to SHO to purchase additional Bushnell binoculars.

Recently, six pair of Bushnell Falcon 7x35 binoculars were ordered and, have subsequently been received. These have been added to our current inventory of Bushnell binoculars.

Volunteers: If a patron returns a pair of binoculars that do not work or are broken, please put a note on them, secure with scotch tape or rubber band and put the binoculars on the *bottom shelf of the center SHO Desk cabinet* (where SHO binocular supplies are kept).

Patti Baumberger, Binocular/Cushion Chair



8. Calling all Volunteers!

Volunteers are needed February 16th and April 16th to assist students arriving by bus at the Hult Center. Generally shifts are approximately 2.5 hours long, and duties include (but are not limited to) directing students at cross streets and sidewalks, communicating with other volunteers and sometimes with the police/public safety, etc. We have a lot of fun and would greatly enjoy your help! Please contact the bus safety director, Rocky Haffner; phone: 541-556-7621, email: iatse675@gmail.com.

Dates volunteers are needed: February 15, 2010 - 10:15 & 12:15 and April 16, 2010

9. SHO is now on Facebook

SHO now has a Facebook page! You can access the SHO Facebook page either by searching for "SHO – Support Hult Center Operations" on the Facebook website, or by going to this web address: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/SHO-Support-Hult-Center-Operations/134033614355?ref=ts>, using either of these options requires having and logging onto a Facebook page of your own.

While you're visiting the SHO Facebook page, be sure to "become a fan" of SHO (there is a button that says "become a fan" at the top of the page) so that you can receive updates about SHO events via your personal Facebook. In addition, your Facebook friends will be informed that you have become a fan of SHO, which has the potential to encourage others to get involved in SHO's great work. Creating a Facebook page for SHO puts the organization in a position to further inform our community of the important work SHO does, so it's a great step forward!

10. January – June 2010 SHO Events

01/04/10 - 11:15am	SHO Board of Directors Meeting
01/07/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - Meg Graff
01/21/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - Sacred Harp Singers
January 30, 2010 4-7pm	2nd Annual SHO Wine Tasting and Silent Auction
02/04/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - Young Men's Ensemble
02/15/10 10:15am & 12:15pm	Bus Safety Volunteers needed
02/16/10	SHO Board of Directors Meeting
02/18/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - Upstart Crow Studios
03/04/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - Eugene Opera - Faust
03/16/10	SHO Board of Directors Meeting
03/18/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - Ballet Fantastique - Preview of Tales of Beatrix Potter
March 18, 2010 12:15pm	Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon in Studio One
04/01/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - Margaret Blaine
04/15/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - Eugene Concert Choir British Invasion - From Vaughan Williams to the Beatles
04/16/09	Bus Safety Volunteers needed
04/20/10	SHO Board of Directors Meeting
05/06/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - Oregon Mozart Players - Three's Company
05/18/10	SHO Board of Directors Meeting
05/20/10 - 11:15am	SHOcase - PASOM (Performing Arts Student of the Month)
June 15, 2010 5:30pm	Annual Member Meeting in Studio One