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Panda News

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Assistant Treasurer

David Martin has been treasurer now for 8 years and is planning on retiring from this post in 2020. This means that we are looking for someone who can take over or maybe would be prepared to train as his assistant for the next couple of years with a view to eventually taking over the role. If this is something that might interest you please let David know (treasurer@pandaplayers.co.uk).

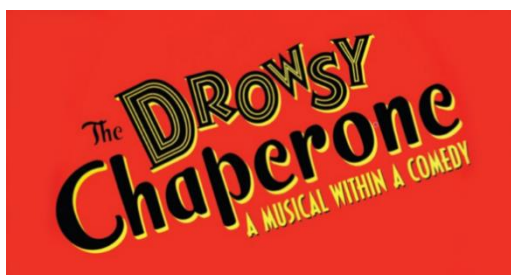
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The Drowsy Chaperone

Rehearsals are well underway now and there's a real buzz about doing the show. Please can we remind everyone to arrive early to rehearsals so that

we can start promptly at 8pm, there's a lot to get through so your co-operation is much appreciated! Likewise, please let us know as soon as possible if you know you can't make a rehearsal. All cast members have now been added to the Facebook page - The Drowsy Chaperone Cast and Crew (apart from those that indicated they do not use Facebook). If you're having any problems accessing this, please let a committee member know. We have two WhatsApp groups set up now, one for Principals and one for Ensemble, it's proving a great way to quickly communicate with everyone, so please keep an eye out for messages.

Watch this space for Costume Fitting dates in January.

Ticket Sales ([tickets from www.elgiva.com](http://www.elgiva.com))

Please, please, take some flyers and sell your show! It's everyone's responsibility to ensure we get bums on seats for this fabulous show. If you have any ideas for advertising, please speak with David Mundy our Publicity Manager.

GET SELLING, it's never too early to buy tickets!! We will be doing our walkabouts again in February next year to promote the show, so please join in - this really helps raise awareness for the show.

Membership & Show Fees

Thanks to everyone who's already paid their membership fee. A little reminder for those that haven't, this is now overdue and we really need to finalise these payments. A show fee will be due in the new year, this goes towards Costumes, Theatre costs, production costs etc., the cost of this will be £65 (minus the £10 audition fee if you paid this).

Concert Group

The Panda Players Concert Group have been busy performing - six concerts of Christmas songs and carols for residents of local retirement homes and care homes. A reduced choir also recently sang on Chiltern Voice radio!!! Well done all! After The Drowsy Chaperone, the Concert Group will begin rehearsing songs for their Summer concerts and would welcome any new singers. Contact Julia Holroyd julia.holroyd@gmail.com if you are interested.



Elgiva 20th Anniversary



The Elgiva held a fun filled day on Saturday 4th November to celebrate their 20th Anniversary. Julia, Marion, David Martin, David Mundy, David Lewis, Trish and Helen were there to set up and promote Panda Players by running a stand, where we showed off various costumes available for hire and photographs of past productions.

We had some positive feedback about our presence and a few interested people for future shows!

Costume Hire

A quick reminder that Panda Players have a fabulous costume supply which, apart from using to costume our own shows, we hire out to other groups and individuals - this provides important revenue for the group, so please mention us when speaking to or performing in other groups.

Helen does the most amazing job looking after them all so let's help them earn some money for Panda Players!



Give As You Live

This is a quick and easy way for everyone to earn a little money for Panda Players at **no cost to you!** Simply create an account on their website (or app), select Panda Players as your charity then login via www.giveasyoulive.com select your store and start spending!!

A percentage of your transaction will be paid to Panda Players - every little helps!
Please ask a committee member if you need more info.



Our Next Shows

March 2019	The Drowsy Chaperone
Summer 2019	Announcement soon
March 2020	SHReK – The Musical

Future Events

CHRISTMAS WISHES GET TOGETHER

When: Thursday 20th December 2018

Where: St John's Methodist Church, 60 Woodside Road, Amersham, HP6 6AN

Time: 9.30pm-10pm (then off to the Boot and Slipper pub for those that wish)

PANDA PLAYERS ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT

When: Saturday 2nd February 2019

Where: St Michael's & All Angels Church Hall, 70 Sycamore Road, Amersham, HP6 5DR

Time: at 7.00 for a prompt 7.30pm start

What: Teams of 8 people

How much: £12.50 including a light meal

TICKETS - Available from pandaplayersevents+QUIZ@gmail.com or www.ticketsource.co.uk/pandaplayers

Licensed bar with beer, wine & soft drinks

WATCH THIS SPACE for other EVENTS BEING PLANNED

Our super Social events team lead by the fabulous Amber are busy organising future events so please keep an eye out of further information!!

Examples of what's to come:

THEATRE TRIP

CAKE SALES at Sunday rehearsals

FAIRY TALE PARTY - September 2019 (In preparation for our SHReK show!!)

OTHER FORTHCOMING EVENTS

You will see us advertising more and more events being held by other theatre groups in an effort to co-ordinate and jointly publicise each others events, the first of which is:

CMTC New Year Party

When: 19th January 2019

CMTC's Fiddler On The Roof

When: 10th - 14th April 2019

Where: The Elgiva, Chesham

Tickets: www.elgiva.com

CMTC 2019 Black Tie 1920s Ball - to incorporate the 'The Tinies' awards.



We hope you and your families have a wonderful Christmas and New Year and look forward to seeing you in 2019!