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MADogram October 2018

MAD Fall Show: “Beauty and the Beast”

MAD's Production of Disney's “Beauty and the Beast” opens its door this Friday, October 26th! Dates are selling out – be sure to get your tickets before they're all gone! Visit MADTHEATER.ORG for tickets and information.

October 26, 27, 28, November 1*, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, and 11 at the Barney and Bea Recreation Center. Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays show starts at 8pm; Sundays 3pm. Doors open half an hour prior to the show. *Nov 1 is a special happy hour performance for Goddard employees. Doors open at 5pm, show at 6pm. Pizza, beer, wine, and other concessions available! All attendees for this performance must have a NASA badge or be escorted by a NASA employee. Come straight from work; no need to exit the gates!



MAD Holiday Chorus

The Music and Drama (MAD) Holiday Chorus will be directed by Chris Wells, accompanied by Susan Breon, and produced by Kathy Nieman. No auditions are required to join! You can come to lunchtime or evening rehearsals as you are able. Rehearsals begin on Monday November 19 and continue through December 12. See the MAD website www.madtheater.org for detailed schedule to be posted soon. Auditions for solo or small groups will be held on Tuesday, November 27, after rehearsal or by appointment. Soloists are expected to sing in the chorus as well. We will sing at two senior centers and perform our GSFC concert on Monday, December 17, at 11:30 a.m. in the Building 3 auditorium. Call Producer Kathy Nieman (240-

684-0815) for further information. Non-GSFC members should check your temporary badge status to ensure that it does not expire. Call Scott Ritz (301-614-5126) if you require a badge.

Call for 2019 MAD Board

One way to help MAD is by serving on our Board of Directors. Any club member can put their name forward for office up until the December election. Members of the Executive Council (per GEWA Bylaws) must be a GSFC contract or civil service employee or civil servant retiree, but other board positions are open to all members.

The official slate, along with the election date will be announced in the November MOG. Please forward your name and slot of interest to MAD President Kim Weaver at Kimberly.A.Weaver@nasa.gov no later than November 15, 2018. Self-nomination is absolutely permitted!

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MAD Board Meeting

The next MAD Board meeting will be held on Thursday, November 15th, at 5:30 PM in Building 3, Room 137. All club members are welcome to attend. We plan to hold our board meetings in 2018 regularly on the third Thursday of the month.

MAD About Town

Auditions for Bowie Community Theater's production of "The Women of Lockerbie" will be held Dec 3-4 beginning at 7 pm at the Bowie Theater in White Marsh Park. Show dates are March 1-17, 2019. The Director is Estelle Miller and the Producer is **Andy Negri**. 5 women and 2 men comprise the cast. More information may be found at: <http://www.bctheatre.com/shows.html>

David Murray Solomon is adding streaming on iTunes to his list of credits. The independent comedy feature "All Square," that he acted in last summer and in which he gets his first on screen credit as a featured cast member, and about which David has been talking ad nauseum in these pages over many months now, was released by iTunes, Amazon Video, and FandangoNOW, on October 12. He was told that MAD member Jeff Pattison watched the movie and said it was "awesome." (It's available from each source to rent for \$6.99, buy in SD for \$9.99, and buy in HD for \$12.99. David got no pay and gets no royalties for his role; just the joy of having helped to create a wonderful work of art.) And currently, David is basking in the fun of his current, much more challenging roles of The Hat Seller, and Flatware, in MAD's "Beauty and the Beast," tickets to which are selling quickly (hint, hint, nudge, nudge).

Several MAD musicians will be playing at the "Wind Band Halloween Haunt" with the Maryland Community Band, including: **Dave Buckingham, Lisa Fetsko, Tom Jackson, and Stan Potter**. This is a free concert at the University of Maryland, on Halloween night at 8pm, in The Clarice - DeKelboum Concert Hall. MCB will be performing highlights from *Phantom of the Opera*, a medley of Danny Elfman's soundtrack music, and Eric Whitacre's epic "Godzilla Eats Las Vegas." The University Band will also begin the concert with several "haunting" selections.

MAD Condolences

Jack Scheer's father and **Kim Weaver's** father-in-law, John M. Scheer, passed away suddenly on October 13th. He was active in community theater for thirty years, performing with groups in southern Maryland and D.C.

Charlie Vance sends this sad news about **Frank Donnelly** who was in our 2000 production of *South Pacific*: "Wanted to let you know that Frank Donnelly passed away [October 21]. His wife Kathy was with him. He was diagnosed with myelofibrosis this past summer and seemed to be on the mend, but took a turn for the worst last week."

