

AUSTIN GILBERT AND SULLIVAN SOCIETY, INC.

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At the May 2 meeting we discussed Pirates and the working with Zachary Scott Theatre in the future. John Gaehring is choral director for Pirates and Terry Deeming is music director. Mavourneen Dwyer is the director.

Richard Hendel had put a notice about our formation in "Fungass", a magazine put out in Michigan dealing with all G & S functions in the US. We have since had a request from Roger Durham in Dallas for information about our groups, membership in it and Pirates.

PIRATES!

Congratulations to James Wood (Frederick), Janita Robbins (Isabel) and Rosemary Vines, Jaqueline Calkins and Susy Branum (bevy). Non- G & S Soc., Inc. members in the east include Joyce Mead (Mabel), Bill Dick (Major General), Ron Greathouse, Hink Johnson, Julie McClelland and Wanda Pierce. The show calls for a chorus of 8 women, 8 pirates and 8 police men. John needs men for the chorus. Last-minute fill-ins be warned that the first read-through is June 13.

Pirates performances will be TWThFS nights and Sunday matinees between August 12 - 28. It will be a hectic run.

Steve Sansom says that the Houson production of Mikado will be July 22 and 23. They will be in Jones Hall so tickets will be expensive. Possibly if we go in a group we may get in cheaper.

John and Warren need volunteers for their production and history committees, respectively. Neither requires experience, just interest. Both committees will be active during Pirates.

It seems awfully crude to publish a list of non-paying newsletter recipients. Please remember that dues and membership are valid for one year from the time you join. Checks can be made out to the AUSTIN GILBERT AND SULLIVAN SOCIETY, INC. Dues are \$5.00 per person and \$2.50 per associate member (usually additional family member). They can be sent to Sharon Kite, 11403 Hilltop, Austin 78753. Sharon is our true and trusty treasurer. Sharon calculates that at the moment we have \$79.40 in the bank, less about \$25.00 for legal registration fees that have not yet been paid. If you're not interested in joining let us know too.

The Next meeting of the G & S Soc., Inc will be JUNE 6 in our new home: Kleyberg Hall at St. George's Episcopal Church located at 4301 N. Interregional Hwy, opposite Hancock shopping center. Thanks to Rosemary for arranging this. The business meeting will start at 7.3-pm and afterwards Warren will spin G & S trivia tales for our entertainment. Warren has a vast store of knowledge of odds and ends pertaining to G & S. We forgot to arrange bringers-of-goodies so it is up to your good hearts whether we go home hungry or not.

See you then - password will be a joyful rendering - in simultaneous hum and whistle - of your favorite phrase from Pirates!