AUSTIN GILBERT AND SULLIVAN SOCIETY NAY 1978 NEWSLETTER

THE NEXT MEETING will be May 8,8:00 at Bill and Jean Buchanan's house. (See enclosed map) This is a costume Pinafore party so come as your favorite character. They do have a swimming pool andlots of room for plenty of food... This is our big end of semester party, too.

AS THOSE OF YOU know who were at the last meeting, John Gaehring was elected as Production Vice-President. He is getting things organised for our November production of either Patience or Iolanthe. Don't forget to review your scores so that we can vote on which show we want to do. We will have the vote just before we get down to partying. If any of you have any ideas about rescheduling our show please let us know. Many of you will be involved in Mikado which performes mid September. If we do a show in mid to late November, we will have to start rehearsals as soon as Mikado is over.... Ruddigore was done in March, which seemed a good time of year. We need to discuss this at the next meeting as John and production people want to get started on the busywork as soon as possible if we do do it in November.

WE ALSO NO LONGER have a stage, so if anyone knows of a (cheap) place we can perform in, let us know.

Circle of Theatres, which meets once a month, needs a representative from our group. James McGrew will do it in the meantime, but we need someone to do it regularly or else will have to set up a lottery system.

ZSTC will bill Mikado as "Presented by ZSTC in cooperation with the Austin Symphony Orchestra and the Austin Gilbert and Sullivan Society." They got \$7500 from they city to pay for the symphony orchestra to accompany performances at the Paramount Sept. 15-17.

Sue Ricket Caldwell will be doing the newsletters over the summer when I am away, so if you have any news let her know. She is undoubtedly more efficient than me so you will have to let ker know stuff to include at least 10 days before the next meeting.

Bring your <u>Pinafore</u> scores to the party at the Buchanan's - just in case any of us feel like singing - or the record if you have that. Don't forget to come in costume (or close to one) - Bill and Jean have our collection if you want to borrow one from the G&S Society for the occasion. Their phone number is 327-2860. Bring lots of goodies too... * LAWNCHAIRS

See you all there.

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