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The Austin Gilbert & Sullivan Society

March 1985 Newsletter

Next Meeting: Will be held Monday, April 1st, at 7:30 pm, at Gail White's; 1029 East 44th Street. For directions call Gail at 453-0006 or Reba at 327-2277. Please bring munchies.

Bob hopes to have a final report on the financial affairs of **Ruddigore** for us. Also we will talk seriously about new ideas for more interesting meetings. Please come and bring your best thoughts.

Last Meeting: Six faithful members met at Jim Kellogg's on March 4th. Two more joined us late for the viewing of our video tape of **The Gondoliers**. Thank you, Jim, for making this possible.

Bob Kusnetz, President, reported that some late memberships have been trickling in to Carole Smith, Treasurer (unable to be present). We thank Judy Forbes and Cathy Brock, for including donations with their dues; and especial thanks go to Diana Sethre, who has become a Patron.

Bob brought us up to date on the progress of our accounting with Zachary Scott Theatre Center. Under the terms of our contract, the Society laid out money for many producing expenses, including all the contract payments. However, we have not paid Bob Kusnetz's contract as director. We expect that ZSTC will reimburse us for our expenditures for scores and rehearsal space. Bob will be continuing to talk to France Seidensticker, Executive Director of ZSTC, as well as Jim Williams and others from the Parks and Recreation Department; and hopes to have more to report at our next meeting.

Plans for Linalice Carey's production of **The Sorcerer** at Hyde Park Showplace are not yet firm. Bob asked our opinion of a suggested timetable: Hold auditions at the end of April; rehearse through May; take a break and come back to work intensively on the show in late summer, depending on the date of opening night (possibly September 12th, or October 3rd). Several people objected to the prolonged period involved, but Bob says some he has spoken with thought it would work.

Bob also talked about his interest in filling the important posts of Production Vice President, and Publicity Vice President, since there are many things these officers could work on to improve our image, raise funds, and attract new members. One interesting idea Bob mentioned, was to make contact with G & S groups in Dallas and Houston, and invite representatives to visit us in Austin. Members might volunteer to house the visitors, and we could get together on a weekend to sing and plan.

The Society has received a complimentary copy of a new and interesting book: The Savoy Operas; a new guide to Gilbert & Sullivan, by Geoffrey Smith. It is published by Universe Books in New York, and retails for \$14.95. The accompanying letter offered us a 25% discount for purchasing 5 copies, and also inquired about the possibility of placing an advertisement in our newsletter. Bob promised to pursue the matter. In the meantime, we can offer examination of the book at meetings.

Reminder: You can still look at the prints of the photos from **Ruddigore** at ZSTC through March 30th at the box office. Hours are: Tuesday - Saturday, noon to 8 pm. Prices vary from \$3.00 to \$11.00 depending on the size of the print ordered.

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News About Members: Naomi Hirsch has been singing improvisational accompaniments for performances of a local dance group.

Steve Swanson does his usual fine job in a small part in **The Barber of Seville**, Jess Walters' production at The Capitol City Playhouse. (Our old friend, Bob Nelson is excellent as Dr. Bartolo in the same production.) **The Barber** will continue to show on odd numbered dates, through April 5th. Don't miss it!

Sidney Brammer is appearing in **And Things That Go Bump In The Night**, a "three act play of comic terror", playing at Paperbacks Plus/CLUB A, 407 Lavaca Street, Thursdays and Fridays through April 19th.

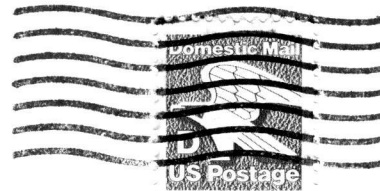
Carole Smith is rehearsing in the Morris Beachy Chorale for performance at the International Bach Festival in Madeira, Portugal in June. She plans to travel in Germany afterward. (Congratulations, Carole!!!)

Finally: Here is a new, up-to-date membership list. See y'all on April 1st!

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Membership List March 1985**

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