

# GREEN ROOM NEWSLETTER

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STAG THEATRE COMPANY

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## 'Murder Inn'

Join us on Friday 6th and  
Saturday 7th October for  
'Murder Inn' at Stag Plaza.

A group of tourists on a Ghosts and Ghouls tour are forced by a storm to make an unscheduled stop in a dilapidated eighteenth century inn, supposedly haunted by a knife-throwing poltergeist.

What looks to be an unpleasant and uncomfortable detour soon turns into a night of mayhem and madness as knives begin to pop up...in the most unexpected places - as the storm builds, so does the body count!

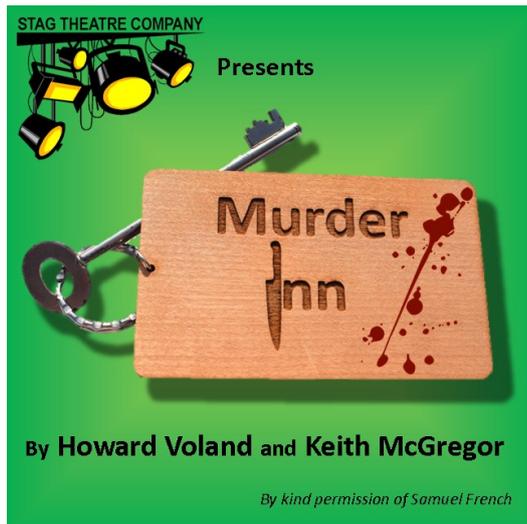
This play promises a colourful cast full of zany characters and a good dose of humour.

Tickets are £18 and include a delicious two course meal.

A charity raffle will be held in aid of **Bradbourne Riding for the Disabled Association.**

Sandra Barfield is directing the following fantastic cast:

Jake Talbot	-	Gary Russell
Martha Talbot	-	Barbara Smith
Agnes Tate	-	Sylvia Thorpe
Carolyn Pickett	-	Faye Bedding
Ellen Halsey	-	Claire Carr
Muriel Lampmann	-	Karen Dix
Patricia Simpson	-	Hania Simons
Todd Currier	-	Frankie Gahan
Lawrence Currier	-	Don Short
Grace Sharp	-	Sara Lacey
Doris Brooks	-	Elizabeth McCreddie
Donald Schultz	-	Tim Hansell



If you are able to assist with Front of House or  
Kitchen duties on 'Murder Inn' please let us know on  
[thestagtheatreco@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:thestagtheatreco@yahoo.co.uk)

# Fundraising Raffles Update

Since February 2015 we've been raising money for charities with our raffles...

- £200 for **British Heart Foundation**
- £251 for **West Kent Mind**
- £200 for **Alzheimer's Society, Kent & Medway**
- £277.50 for **Hospice in the Weald**
- £200 for **Target Ovarian Cancer**
- £280 for **Chipstead Lake Leonard Cheshire Disability**



...which comes to a fantastic **£1408.50!**



*Thank you to all of you for supporting the raffles, selling tickets and donating prizes!*

## Dates for your Diary

'Murder Inn' – 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> October 2017

AGM – 12<sup>th</sup> October 2017

'Death by Chocolate' Extra Performances – 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> November 2017



## STC Social Media



You can follow Stag Theatre Company on Facebook and Twitter to keep up to date on the latest news and goings on!

[facebook.com/stagtheatrecompany](https://www.facebook.com/stagtheatrecompany)

[twitter.com/stagtheatreco](https://twitter.com/stagtheatreco)

# 'Death by Chocolate' - Extra Performances

We've been invited to perform at two external events in November, which is very exciting.

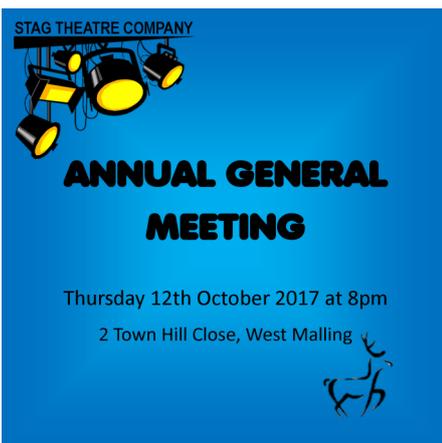
Platt Village Hall and Sevenoaks Bowls Club have asked us to bring 'Death by Chocolate' (our Murder Mystery, specially written for us by Cathy Eva Bennet, first performed in April 2017) to them for their members/fundraising events on 11th and 18th November respectively.



We're thrilled that Stag Theatre Company's Murder Mysteries have gained such a reputation that they're in demand!

The majority of the original cast are reuniting for these performances with the exception of Ashley Munson and Bizz Portlock who are unavailable as they will be performing in Sevenoaks Players' 'The 39 Steps' - best of luck to you both!

## Annual General Meeting – 12th October 2017



**Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm.**

We will be meeting at 2 Town Hill Close, West Malling. We'd love to see you there and as it's at Sandra's there's a fair bet there'll be some yummy cake!

Parking is limited so you may want to park in the Ryarsh Lane Car Park (opposite The Bull public house) and walk down.

The official notice of the AGM will come out in due course along with information on submitting any nominations for committee or agenda items for consideration.

Your current committee is: Sandra Barfield (*Artistic Director*), Lynn Short (*Chairman*), Elizabeth McCreddie (*Hon. Secretary*), Frankie Gahan (*Treasurer*), Yvette Walters, Cathryn Gahan and Karen Dix.

# 'Desperate Journeys' by Empathy Action

Chris Hix, an old friend of Stag Theatre Company, has asked us to let you all know about an interesting opportunity to get involved with some interactive theatre with the charity [Empathy Action](#).

## Desperate Journeys, a live interactive experience

According to figures published recently by UNHCR, 20 people every minute were forced to flee their homes due to persecution, conflict and human rights abuses in 2016. The number of people being forcibly displaced has risen by 300,000 in 12 months, meaning that the total number of people having to flee their homes worldwide has reached a record high of 65.6 million.

The world is facing the greatest refugee crisis since the Second World War.

As the saying goes, "to begin to really understand another human being, you first need to walk a mile in their shoes." Empathy Action invites you to do just that in this new live interactive experience. Take part in this hard hitting race for refuge as we recreate the desperate and dangerous journeys refugees are enduring every day in the biggest crisis of our time.

The experience is delivered within a maze-like set which we can assemble in any large hall or even a large marquee. It runs for 90 minutes as part of a 2 hour package delivered by the Empathy Action team, including briefing and a reflective feedback and discussion session. The experience is designed for up to 30 participants at a time, who will be guided through it by our cast members.

Our challenging new piece is firmly based in facts, first hand accounts and case studies of this global issue to bring home to participants the human stories behind the headlines.

Empathy Action is now looking for volunteer cast members to deliver this experience. We plan to develop a pool of performers to rehearse in September and October in the Tunbridge Wells area and then take the experience to schools and other groups at various dates over the next year. We need people of any age who are comfortable improvising around a core script, interacting with the participants, and delivering powerful personal stories.

If you would like to hear more please contact

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