

# Tap Rap

"You know,  
I did see  
Him"  
—"Harvey"  
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Another Play...

Another Party...

Thanks to all those who showed up for the Harvey video party and made the night a success. The food was plentiful, the drinks flowed and everyone was quiet during those important moments when Elwood made his appearance on stage! Karen, where did you get those brownies? If

## Get Your Tickets NOW!!!

### Squabbles

by Marshall Karp

Directed by: Susanne Tristani

Produced by: Chuck Learn & Angie Tracz-Comeau

Stage Managed by: Louise Reed

#### Featuring

Ray Kohler as Abe Dreyfus

Ilene Elkaim as Alice Sloan

Simon Vendryes as Hector Lopez

Joan Rogers as Mrs. Fisher

Roz Maurice as Mildred Sloan

Darryl Bianco as Jerry Sloan

Alf Weisbrod as Sol Wasserman

Production Dates: April 20,21, 26, 27, 28, May 4, 5

Tickets are \$27/person for dinner and show or \$12/person for show only night April 26

Tickets are available by calling (905) 637-7629

Catering by Doulton's

## "I thought this was supposed to be a meeting.."

For years, man has been searching for the answer to many of life's simple questions. What came first, the chicken or the egg? Who invented the wheel? Where can I get a decent haircut? But perhaps the most

perplexing question of all to man is what if you called a general meeting but a party broke out? That question has been answered!!

The Aldershot Players annual general meeting will be held on June 8th at

7:30pm at the Loft at Drury Lane in Burlington. The nights festivities will feature speeches, awards, refreshments, food and possibly some surprises!! Plan to attend! Stay tuned for future updates.

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# Bit Parts.....

Spring has sprung, the grass is griz, what a mess the facility is... It's time for the first annual (?) TAP facility picnic/clean up. Once the weather improves i.e. gets warm enough, we'll be organising a day to go through the facility and see what hidden treasures we can find. All are invited to attend, help out how you can, bring your favourite pot luck dish and "refreshments". Date to be determined.....

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### Memo from Margaret

Our Tap Line is humming and the tickets are a goin' and the joint will be jumping come April 20th. Have you made your plans yet? Don't be disappointed, get on the phone right now and come and see "Squabbles". The cast are having a lot of fun with

this and I know you will too. Our benefit night on April 20th will honour the Aldershot Community Council's Drop In Center, newly opened and running in March.

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TAP's own Scott Broe was recently honoured with a nomination from the Western Ontario Drama League as Best Actor for his performance as Elwood P. Dowd in last fall's production of "Harvey". While he did not win, Scott was humbled by the nomination. However, had he won, it is rumoured that Scott would have given a quick "Thank You" and left the stage, thus assuring him the extra prize of a new television, presented to the winner with the shortest speech.....

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This year more than ever TAP member's have forayed out to the world beyond Aldershot to participate with other theater groups. Once you enjoyed TAP's production of "Squabbles" why not visit some of your TAP friends in other local productions? Roz Woodcock, Jamie Cortese will be appearing in Ancaster Community Theater's production of "Honestly Now" directed by Bev Mattson, April 20, 21, 26, 27, 28. Call (905) 648-7324 for information. Karen Henderson and Scott Broe will be appearing in Burl-Oak Theater's production of "Moon Over Buffalo", April 19 - 21, 25-28 at the Oakville Center. Call (905) 815-2021 for information.

## Cue the flying monkeys! Where are the monkeys!?!?

Like to be in charge? Like to tell people what to do? Like to feel the glowing tribute of appreciative audiences applauding your efforts night after night? Are you a little bit crazy?

Well then you could be our next director!! The Aldershot Players is currently taking

applications for directors for our fall production "Saving Grace" by Jack Sharkey.

Christmas at Grace Larkin's apartment is anything but jolly. Her boss won't leave, that man fixing her phone apparently doesn't even work for the phone company and now her sister's shown up looking

for a place to stay. How can Grace explain her way out of this?

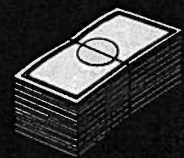
All those interested can submit their names to the addresses listed on the first page. Reading copies of the play are available. The selection of a director will be made from all applicants. Come on, you know you want to....

anyone still needs a copy of the Harvey video, (including the rare cast party outtakes!) please let me know



### One Toe vs THE Toe

I received some feedback from the last issue of the Tap Rap about my house moving and the resulting horrible disfiguring of a pedal appendage. Rest assured that both toe and patient are doing well. For those of you keeping score at home, the nail has fallen off. And that's the last you'll hear from me on that topic!



### Pinch Me. I'm Dreaming!!

During last fall's production of Harvey, TAP had two new faces in the audience. Now that might not sound too exciting, except that these new faces were sitting in seats normally occupied by two of our faithful subscribers. You see, it seems our subscribers had other more pressing plans.

like how to spend the \$10,000,000 they won in the Super 7 lottery!" So to our lucky subscribers, we pass on our congratulations and wish them the best. Course maybe they could by some tickets to upcoming shows for their friends?



And the Award Goes To... Speaking of winning, congratulations go out to Burlington Little Theater for recently winning the Western Ontario Drama League's regional award for Best Production Well done!



What? More Winners?? Yup, it's true. Now along with giving you an evening of theater, TAP is offering all our audience members a chance to go home a winner. During the production of Squabbles, we will be drawing a lucky seat number from every show (excluding the

## And now a word from our President

### "Pickle"

You know I did receive some criticism from the last issue of the TapRap and perhaps justly so. It seems that there was too much of me in it! From my moving adventures, to my big toe to that cheesy "TapLight On" featuring yours truly, the last thing anybody probably wants is to hear me ramble on again about myself.

So I'll talk about other people.....

Thanks go out to Roz Woodcock. After three years of loyal service, the "Poobah" has stepped down from the Chief Executive position to assume the equally prestigious role of "Past President". I only hope that I can do half as good a job as Roz has down.

Our spring production of "Squabbles" is well into rehearsals under the able direction of the 'lovely and talented' Susanne Tristani. Theater goers will recognize some familiar faces in the cast and will be entertained by some new actors in this production. I recently



attended a rehearsal for the show and laughed so hard I could barely finish my Tim Horton's chicken stew in a bread bowl. You can actually eat the bowl!! But I digress....

Looking into the future, TAP has declared next season as the year of the

women! Our playlist for next year has been tentatively set as "Saving Grace" by Jack Sharkey, an engaging story about the world of Grace Larkin and "The Odd Couple" by Neil Simon, the female version.

Finally, let me just say that one of the biggest hurdles I've had to overcome in assuming the role of your president is a suitable moniker for my title. For example, Roz was known as the "Grand Poobah", how could I ever top that?! I tried many choices: the Head Cheese, the Spotlight Kid, Leader of the Tap Rap Pack.... But I finally came up with one that I felt would work.

I'll see you all at "Squabbles"!

Your President,  
Scott 'The Big Banana'

## Letters..we get letters..we get stacks & stack o' letters

This issue's letter comes from a J. Newstead who wrote:

Dear TapRap,  
I just read the latest TapRap. I was touched by the depth of insight you had for the TapLight On... feature. I could tell that the featured person was someone very close to you. :-)

(Editor's note: For those of

you who may not have kept the previous TapRap  
1) shame on you!  
2) the TapLight featured Scott Broe  
...the letter continues)

Seriously though, excellent job so far. Not an easy job putting one of those out.  
John

Thanks for the letter John!  
See how easy it is to get in the TapRap! So send me a

letter, drop me a line, pass me a note and you could be in the next issue!

(Editor's note #2:  
Congratulations go out to John and Alana on the birth of their daughter Dayinarah Elizabeth Anne. All the best guys!!)

## Your Starting Line-up

As some of you may be aware The Aldershot Player's have had a recent change in their Board of Director's. So to keep everybody updated here's a list of those member's sitting on your "new" Board:

President:  
Scott Broe

Past President:  
Roz Woodcock

Vice President:  
(Under Negotiation)

Secretary:  
Marie Lemon

Publicity:  
Margaret Watson

Treasurer:  
Sam Sidawi

Liaison:  
Angie Tracz-Comeau

Resident Stage Manager:  
Ralph Woodcock

Membership:  
Norma Cowan

Social:  
Bev Mattson

Members-At-Large:  
Nicki Rodger, Susanne Tristani, Ilene Elkaim

Thanks to Hugh Watson for all his work as past Liaison.

We're always looking for more!! Offer you services to the Board. It's more fun than you think!

## TapLight on..... Ilene Elkaim

If you've attended a TAP production in the last three years, you've seen Ilene.

Growing up in Montreal, Ilene soon realized that the world offered her greater opportunities. So she left Montreal and made a direct line to The Aldershot Players and has never looked back.

Never straying far from her french background, her first role with TAP was as the french art collector "Lulu

LaRoche" in "Perfect Timing" for which she won a best supporting actress award from the Western Ontario Drama League. She followed that as "Monica Channing" in "One Toe in the Grave" and then as the harried stage manager "Aggie" in "Play On". She has also appeared in two W.O.D.L. mini-fests garnering high praise for her "handling" of household appliances.

More recently she was seen at the Hamilton Players

Guild in "The Glorious 12th" and with the Burl-Oak Players in "Jake's Women".

A big supporter of the spirit of TAP, Ilene is known for hosting many a cast party in what can only be described as the "perfect party palace". (Rumour has it that those attending the Squabbles cast party will receive free Roots athletic wear!)

show only night). If your seat is drawn, you'll win a subscription to next year's season! That's right, all you have to do is show up and you could be walking out with free theater for a year!! So get to your phones and order your tickets for "Squabbles" before it's too late. We have been known to sell out shows quite frequently...

Well that's it for me! One thing I would like to point out is the lack of pictures in this issue of the Tap Rap, mainly because I didn't get any!! C'mon people send them in! It's either that or I'll start scanning my baby pictures. You've been warned!!

See ya!  
SB