

# AIR CHECK

NEWSLETTER OF THE RADIO ENTHUSIASTS OF PUGET SOUND (REPS)

## SPECIAL REPS EVENT

### "It's a Wonderful Life"

Featuring Karolyn Grimes (She played Zuzu in the original movie) with Larry Albert and wonderful actors from Imagination Theater.

If you have been to the REPS web site recently ([www.repsonline.org](http://www.repsonline.org)) you may have noticed that REPS is sponsoring another special event this coming January. The event price will be \$ 9.50 . This special presentation will start off the 2007 REPS year and will replace the regular monthly meeting in January. REPS will present "It's a Wonderful Life", Saturday, January the from 2- 4:15 pm in the Carlson Theater at Bellevue Community College.

There are seats for about 300 people so certainly bring friends and family. They will be equally thrilled to see the program. Doors open at 1:30 PM. Come meet Karolyn Grimes who will be available to meet and greet. She played Zuzu in the original motion picture. Karolyn has a wonderful presentation and will share her behind the scenes memories from the movie and real life Hollywood stories from working with actors like John Wayne, Cary Grant, Loretta Young, Danny Kaye , Fred MacMurray, Glenn Ford and other greats from Hollywood's Golden Age.

Also part of the program and equally fun with be a performance of a Golden Age of Radio adapt ion of the classic holiday

Movie. During the height of the Golden Age of Radio, a wonderful performance of "It's a Wonderful Life" aired on national radio with Jimmy Stewart and Donna Reed. Radio audiences were delighted across the nation. Karolyn Grimes will star, joined by an outstanding cast of the finest radio actors from the popular Imagination Theater to bring you this classic radio production with live sound effects. A treat for the whole family!

Seeing this production live is absolute fun and will appeal to general audiences along with classic radio and movie fans alike.

Directed by Richard Beals, who is no stranger to radio. Richard Beals appeared in many of the most popular radio shows during the Golden Age. He is also the voice



Ballot for 2007/2008 REPS Officers is enclosed in this issue. Please mail in time to be counted at the December 2, 2006 General Meeting, or bring ballot to the meeting. You may mail the survey at the same time or bring to the meeting. Thank you in advance for filling out the survey.

of Speedy Alka Seltzer and is heard in many cartoons. Larry Albert and Imagination Theater are heard weekly on KIXI am 880 and other radio stations around the country.

Special "It's a Wonderful Life" merchandise will be offered for sale by Karloyn Grimes. Available from REPS will be an assortment of classic radio programs, other miscellaneous merchandise and refreshments.

Tickets can be purchased from the REPS web site or by calling 1-800-838-3006.

There will be a small servicing fee assessed by the ticketing agent. Tickets will be available at the REPS December meeting, without the service fee. If you are interested, please let us know so that we can ensure that a ticket is available for you at the meeting.

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if you have any questions or want to pick up tickets at the December meeting.

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### REPS BOARD Monthly Meetings Schedule

The monthly membership meetings offer a program of interest to REPS members and guests (particularly those in the local area) and also provides a place for REPS members to socialize. REPS is committed to having a regular membership meeting and we strive to schedule interesting meetings as we move into 2007. Occasionally, we will have a special event in lieu of the regular meeting. These special events, such as Radio Memories or the January "it's a Wonderful Life" show are scheduled when REPS has the opportunity to offer something special beyond the scope of the regular meeting.

There is usually a small charge for these special events but the programs are well worth it and unfortunately REPS is not able to finance these events without charging a small entrance fee. REPS generally does not make money on these events nor is that the goal. What we have found is that special events such as Showcase, and Radio Memories attract a little more media attention and are often the venue in which many people hear about REPS for the first time. Introducing additional

people to REPS is very important to maintaining a healthy and viable club. These special events are also thoroughly enjoyed by those who attend which is reason enough to have them.

"It's a Wonderful Life" in January will be held in the Carlson Theater at Bellevue Community College. We are very impressed with the venue and if the event is of enough interest to the general public, it's very possible that REPS could fill the theater. So please get your tickets early if you are interested in attending. Special grants have made the production possible. As such REPS may actually make money on this special event. The general thought is to apply any money raised towards the Showcase. This could mean funding for additional guests or a Showcase with a reduced admission price. Tell your friends and family about "it's a Wonderful Life" on January 6th.

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**The Membership meeting on December 2nd, will be at the Norse Home.** Kathryn Crosby, widow of the late Bing Crosby is scheduled to be with us by telephone. We will also show special moments from Bing Crosby's Christmas Television specials where he was joined by Kathryn and the rest of the family. Remember to bring unwrapped gifts for Toys for Tots and your favorite old time radio CD or Cassette program, wrapped, for the gift exchange.

### February 3rd, 2007 Membership meeting :

Member Harry Thiel will have a program on Science Fiction on Old Time Radio. Should be fun!

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## REPS 2007 Survey

In an effort to better serve the membership, we have enclosed this brief survey. Please take a moment to complete. The survey can be returned with the official ballot or it can be returned separately. Returned survey's will assist REPS in assessing the needs of the membership and will help make REPS a stronger and better club.

### REPS

Why did you join REPS ? comment: \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you been a member? \_\_\_\_\_

### Air Check

The Air Check newsletter is sent to all members and has information about club events and featured articles. Do you read the Air Check ? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Sometimes \_\_\_\_\_

We attempt to get a newsletter published 8-9 times a year. Would you like to read articles about the club, club events , a spotlight on various members or more emphasis on feature articles about old time radio programs or personalities ? Other ? comments: \_\_\_\_\_

For our blind members- would you be interested in obtaining an audio version of the Air Check? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### Libraries

REPS has a CD, DVD and cassette Library available to members to borrow recordings of a wide selection of old time radio and other programs? How frequently do you listen to old

Time radio programs? \_\_\_\_\_

What are your favorite programs or type of programs? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a library of Old time radio shows? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you listen on CD , Cassette , MP3? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you use the REPS library? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If not, Why not? \_\_\_\_\_

You can currently rent either 10 or 20 selections at a time . Would you like to be able to rent even more per rental ? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Don't Care \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, How Many? \_\_\_\_\_

What shows would you like added to the REPS Library? \_\_\_\_\_

REPS strives to add programs with the highest sound quality to the REPS library. How much does sound quality matter to you ? \_\_\_\_\_ MP3: While generally not containing the best in sound quality , many people collect shows on MP3 due to the number of shows on each CD. Should REPS maintain a library of MP3. \_\_\_\_\_ Programs? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you rent MP3 programs? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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## REPS Annual Showcase in June

Have you ever attended the REPS Showcase (old time radio) convention in June? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, how often have you attended? \_\_\_\_\_ When was the last time you attended? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have never attended, why not? (price of admission, cost of travel, time of the year of the event, location, the appeal of the program, other..) \_\_\_\_\_

Should REPS strive to make the Showcase less costly or should emphasis be put on quality of program and maintaining a certain number of out of town guests? Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

If you prefer a less expensive Showcase, you would suggest an admission price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_? What do you like most about the Showcase? Comments: (consider recreations, panels, interviews, other...) \_\_\_\_\_

What do you least like about the Showcase? \_\_\_\_\_

The Showcase generally runs on Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 9pm. Do you have any thoughts pertaining to the scheduled time and or day? (ie ..change to Saturday / Sunday, should be a one day event, should start earlier and not run so late into the evening or fine with the way it is) comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want more comedy, Mysteries, Variety, Music? Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

We are open to suggestions. Are there any changes that you would like to see considered for Showcase 2007? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Membership Meetings

How often do you attend the membership meetings? \_\_\_\_\_  
If you do not attend, why not? ( Out of state?, In Washington but outside the Seattle area?, Conflicts in schedule on Saturdays? Lack of interest? Other.....)

Any suggestions for future Meetings (guest to invite, a topic to cover, other?) \_\_\_\_\_

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

## For REPS Out of Town Members

How can REPS better serve out of town members?  
Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

Unless specified otherwise, Board Meetings are held in the Board Room of the Comfort Inn/Suits, Seattle, and start at 6:30 pm.  
Regular Membership Meetings are held at the Norse Home, Seattle, and start at 2:00 pm. That is the first Saturday of each Month.

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