



SPECIAL ISSUE IN MEMORY OF ANN JANE HANUSHEK OCTOBER, 2017



Lemon Bay Playhouse Dedicates Its 31st Season IN LOVING MEMORY OF ANN JANE HANUSHEK September 27, 1943 - October 6, 2017





It is with deep sadness that we create this special issue of our newsletter in memory of Ann Jane Hanushek who passed away on Friday morning, October 6, 2017. She is survived by her husband Jim and her sister Dorothy Kleine. Please join us in offering our deepest sympathies to Ann's family. Ann was a valued volunteer and staff member at Lemon Bay Playhouse for over 15 years performing numerous and required responsibilities. When she started as business manager she took over the jobs of three volunteers. Besides those undertakings, Ann spent a lot of time working behind the scenes as a stage manager and backstage crew member. Her generosity shown through at each cast party when she provided homemade brownies to the actors and production crew members. Ann was also an actor and made her acting debut in *Night Watch*. After that there was no stopping her. She appeared in eight additional shows while at the playhouse. All her devoted efforts for Lemon Bay Playhouse was proof positive that Ann was totally committed to her work at the playhouse. Since Ann was such a significant part of the growth of Lemon Bay Playhouse we find it fitting to honor her by dedicating our 31st season productions in her memory. Her presence and volunteerism will be missed but her endeavors will be long remembered at the playhouse. - Jim Sciarello

PAGES FROM THE PLAYBILLS OF THE SHOWS THAT ANN APPEARED IN AT LBP



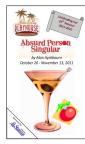






























THEATER FRIENDS REMEMBERING ANN JANE

"I always seem to be making reservations by phone from other cities. Her warm and helpful nature always made this easy and pleasant. She was friendly to "just another voice" on what had to be a busy day. Her management skills were evident but her warmth and dedication to the Lemon Bay Playhouse was exemplary. She shall be missed." - Mandy Goetze

"Ann Hanushek is so dear to me. I can't remember a single time she didn't greet me with a delighted smile. Her laugh came from deep inside her, and matched the breadth of her kindness in its authenticity. She always made you feel treasured and appreciated, and could listen to anyone with patience and compassion. That she will remain a light for those who had the privilege to know her is a given; Ann, your spirit remains." - Gloria Bandy

"It was easy to love Ann. What a delightful lady. It was an honor to be in her presence. If there was a problem she was right there to fix it. My husband was recovering from surgery, we forgot the night of a play. I mentioned it to her and she made reservations to make up for it. What a wonderful and thoughtful person. The world needs more Ann Hanusheks. Love to her. I'm sorry she is no longer around. All in all, the people at the Playhouse have always been there to help me. I thank Ann (God Bless her). My husband and I just lost our son, Steven, 11-8-17 who had been on dialysis for 16 years. He was 67. It's heartbreaking to lose these dear people. Love and Blessings" - F. Jane Roeder and husband, Jim

"I remember Ann as a woman who took her tasks, of which there were many, very seriously and with a great sense of pride. As well, Ann was the greatest brownie-maker I will ever know!" - Marila Sciarello

"Ann was the very first person I met at LBT. I was new in Venice and dropped into the theater one day to explore acting opportunities. She graciously gave me a tour of the building and put me on the email list. I miss her smiling face, wonderful personality, and those wonderful brownies she so generously shared with everyone. God bless her and all that she gave to others." - Judy Tilley

"Ann was the epitome of kindness, it was truly an honor and privilege to have known her. Miss her terribly, she was one of a kind!" - Mama Mia Schneider

"Ann's beautiful smile always comes to mind. She epitomized commitment to Lemon Bay Playhouse." - Kim Fox

"How do I remember Ann Hanushek...smiling...looking at you and saying with absolutely no words, just facial expression. "Hi, how are you, happy to see you" and it was real. Not only were her brownies authentic, she was authentic too. A walk into LBP was not complete without a visit to Ann's office...I will always think of her and smile." - Jack Rabito

"Ann was a special person to me. I told her I wanted to shadow her Stage Managing. I worked with her on "Dixie Swim Club" Working that closely with someone gives one knowledge of what that person is really like. I found Ann was someone I could go to with questions and get the real answers, someone I could trust. She is someone I really miss." - Joyce Cleary

"If I was asked to describe Ann in two words, I would say she was the 'Real Deal'. We miss you, Ann!" - Carol Ashton

"When I first met Ann I told her that she looked like a Mother Superior (nun) that I had. A rather dark shadow came over her face and then she asked "was she tough"? I assured her that she was a wonderful woman and much loved. Then Ann perked up and gave a big smile. I will always remember that about Ann...the ready smile, kind word...and the most wonderful brownies!!" - Diane Mahoney

"When I think of Ann, it's not with sadness, though I miss her terribly. I miss her sweet smile. She was a gentle woman, caring, ready to help, always with a smile. I'm smiling now just thinking about her...peace, Ann ♥" - Jennifer Furey

"Ann always had a warm smile for me. She will be greatly missed. I would be honored to take over her brownie tradition for each show. May her light shine on!" - Wendi Scianna

"I met Ann Hanushek in July of 2007 when she was stage managing "Cliffhanger", my first show at LBP. I was immediately impressed by her efficiency, her dedication, her smile, and her sense of humor. I quickly discovered she did a great deal more than stage manage at the Playhouse. She was involved in virtually every aspect of running the theater and brought to whatever she did a dignity, a kindness and a dedication that were rare to find anywhere. At my first cast party, I received a box of the brownies she always took the trouble to bake for cast members. Over ten years, we had many laughs together and she was my go to person whenever I had a question about anything to do with Lemon Bay Playhouse. In so many ways, Ann was the glue that held LBP together. She was also a dear friend and I miss her terribly." - Charlie Tyler

"My first experience with Ann was indeed memorable. I had decided to audition for *The Heiress* and wanted to read the script. Because I was new to LBP, the box office worker said I needed to stay in the lobby to read the script. As I was reading, Ann came in and introduced herself. We chatted a bit and then she remarked that I had an "honest face" so she told me I could check out the script. We both ended up being cast in that production, became friends, and the rest is history. She was the 1st person I met at LBP and as a result of her kindness and generous spirit, I'm still around and counted Ann as a true friend." - Ric Goodwin

THEATER FRIENDS REMEMBERING ANN JANE - Continued

"We will all remember Ann fondly, for her devotion to our beloved little Playhouse." - Paul Hyatt

"Ann was the stage manager for the first play I was in at Lemon Bay Playhouse. Being a newcomer, I was uncertain of my surroundings. However, Ann through her generosity of kindness made me feel right at home. I will miss her gracious presence." - Joanie Anton

"I want to express my deeply felt and honest regard which I had for Ann. From the beginning when she was first hired as LBP's office manager, to the many wonderful plays she stage managed and her actually being on stage from the time she started taking acting classes, and the multitudinal other tasks she willingly did, she always went beyond the call of duty and the responsibilities she had agreed to handle for LBP. Ann's tremendous positive example of how to deal with huge and difficult personal health challenges in life and still keep on LIVING for others made her a shining light for me as well as countless others. Her smile and positive do-it attitude was always a blessing to the operation of the Playhouse. Her uniqueness is missed!" - Barbara Rodvik-Manke

"When I first proposed that we hire a Business Manager, it was met with a bit of skepticism. I was delighted when Ann applied for the job. As time went on, it was quite evident that I was right and Ann was the perfect person for the job. She got the box office running smoothly with very few glitches. Ann and I got to know each other very well, both personally and professionally, over the years and I depended on her tremendously in our day to day operations. I miss her a great deal to this day." – Bob La Salle

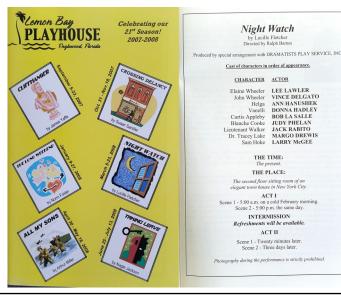
MEMORIES OF ANN'S LIFE AT LEMON BAY PLAYHOUSE





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PLAYBILL PAGES FROM "NIGHT WATCH" - MARCH, 2008 ANN'S FIRST PERFORMANCE AT LBP



ANN'S BIO FROM THE SHOW "NIGHT WATCH"



ANN HANUSHEK (Helga) is making her acting debut in *Night Watch*. A native Pittsburgher, Ann taught elementary school in Pennsylvania, and overseas in Suriname and Saudi Arabia before moving to Englewood in 1998. For the last two years, she has been the part-time Business Manager at the Playhouse. She has

spent a lot of time as back stage crew and stage manager at LBP. Many people don't recognize her when she's not wearing black! Guess what color she gets to wear as a maid! She'd like to thank her family and friends for their encouragement and support.

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