



# NEWSLETTER



OLT presents

## *Love Letters*

*for Valentine's*

*February 13 @ 7:30  
and February 14 @ 2:30*

*Starring Robby and Gini Burt*



**Love Letters** is a play by A. R. Gurney that was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. The play centers on two characters, Melissa Gardner and Andrew Makepeace Ladd III. Using the epistolary form sometimes found in novels, they sit side by side at tables and read the notes, letters and cards – in which over nearly 50 years, they discuss their hopes and ambitions, dreams and disappointments, victories and defeats – that have passed between them throughout their separated lives.<sup>[1]</sup>

Directed by John Tillinger, it opened with Kathleen Turner and John Rubinstein on March 27, 1989, at the off-Broadway Promenade Theatre, where it ran for 64 performances. The play was performed only on Sunday and Monday evenings and changed its cast weekly. Among those who appeared in it were Barbara Barrie, Philip Bosco, Stephen Collins, Victor Garber, Julie Harris, George Grizzard, Anthony Heald, George Hearn, Richard Kiley, Dana Ivey, William Hurt, Marsha Mason, Christopher Reeve, Holland Taylor, George Segal, Christopher Walken, Joan Van Ark, Treat Williams, Frances Sternhagen, Hank Offinger, Rebecca Cole, Meredith Baxter, Michael Gross and Nancy Blaine.

## PLANNED

**Greater Tuna** - April 2021

With

Scotty Jenkins & John  
Puddington



Greater Tuna is a comedy about a small town in Texas named Tuna, Texas' third smallest town. The wacky

inhabitants of this town -- men, women, children and animals -- are all played by two skillful, transformative actors who must change parts at a rather breakneck speed and use inventive voicework.

Synopsises from StageAgent.com

## On Hold



Shows listed are the shows we hope to be presenting for you in the future. We have no idea when these shows will happen. We will only be operating with audiences limited to 50% of capacity until it is completely safe to open. **Return to Radio-Land** is an attempt to provide some shows in the interim. Whatever the outcome, we hope that you will continue to support us with your memberships, donations and attendance.

If you wish to donate go  
online to

[OLT.wildapricot.org](http://OLT.wildapricot.org)

You can use your credit  
card. You can also mail your  
donation to OLT, 610 Mena  
St., Mena, AR 71953



**Our office is once again operating albeit  
only Fridays 10 to 2. Get tickets or make  
reservations. You may also use our  
"Memory Savers" service.**

**OFFICE**

The fund raiser talent show co-sponsored by OLT and the Humane Society of the Ouachitas has been postponed . It was felt that with Covid guidelines a large audience would be impossible. In order to generate funds for the organizations, a large audience would be necessary.



## Howard Goins passed away January 18



. Howard was a simple man who enjoyed the small and simple things in life. He loved classical music, opera, British comedy, traveling by train, collecting and building things. Howard especially enjoyed blaring opera from his front porch, Carmen and Phantom of the Opera were among his favorites. Howard had many talents like playing the piano and cello by ear, and enjoyed rock polishing and making rock jewelry, pottery, Native American beads and leather work. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to a

friend or a stranger in need. Howard was a charter member of the OLT, as well as a past president. He worked sound for more shows than you can count. He once said it was over 50. He also played cello in many of the production's orchestras. He had a great sense of humor and was usually a joy to be around. Howard was a loving father, brother, grandfather, uncle and friend and will be missed by all who knew him.



**OLT WILL BE LIVE  
STREAMING AS MANY  
OF ITS SHOWS AS IT  
HAS AQUIRED THE  
RIGHTS TO SHOW.**

OLT has started live streaming many of its shows. In order to do this streaming rights must be obtained from the owner of those rights. Sometimes that is free other times it has a charge associated with it. It is our hope that we will be able to recoup some of our production expenses through this medium. We are asking for a donation equalling at least the admission price of the live show. Remember multiple folks can watch the show for one admission price. Season tickets will be honored for live streaming. Once streamed the show will remain available for some time so you can even watch it at your convenience. Methods for collecting the fees are being experimented with. However, in many cases we are hoping for donations on the honor system. OLT is working hard to provide you with a service and ask that if you watch the show that you help

**The past two shows which are currently available on the YouTube channel are , “A virtual Christmas Carol” and “Harmony Christmas Concert “**

These shows can be accessed in any one of these 3 ways.

1. Go to the website [oltmena.com](http://oltmena.com) and click on the live streaming button.
2. Go to YouTube and type in Rudi Timmerman and click on the one with my picture
3. Type in <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrDmfY6D6qG3o8Y5oIkIvuQ>

Once in, click on the picture of show you want to see.



## OLT T-Shirts Are Available



Scotty Jenkins has arranged for the availability of commemorative Ouachita Little Theatre T-Shirts. At the last board meeting it was decided to enter into

an on-line agreement making the shirts available. They are available in any of a number of colors and sizes. Some will be on display and for sale in the office and during productions. The objective is not only to provide folks with a memento of the theatre but also to act as a fund raiser. They will be on sale for \$25 of which a considerable portion goes directly to the theatre. Get your shirt to show your theatre pride while helping OLT weather the current Covid crisis.

## Let Us Save Your Memories by Putting them on DVD

INPUT	PRICE FOR DVD/CD
VIDEOTAPES 1-2 HOURS	1 - \$20 2-10 — \$15 each over 10 - \$10 each
MOVIE FILM	up to 100 ft 0.20/ft over 100 ft 0.15/ft
AUDIO CASSETTES	1 up to 90 min \$15 2 to 5 \$12 each over 5 \$10 each
DVD	1 - \$10 each 2-10 — \$8 each over 10 - \$5 each

Proceeds go to help with OLT programs

## Board Appoints a Nominating Committee

The current president, Rudi Timmerman, has decided not to seek reelection after serving for 6 years. A few other current officers may also not run for another term. By starting early the board hoped that anyone interested in helping OLT by being an officer or board member will contact Judy Kropp, chair of the committee, as soon as possible. By declaring early the current office holder can familiarize the candidates with the responsibilities of his or her office before the election. The election will be mid-May.

# OLT Cleanup Complete ... 2nd Wednesday Movies Restart in February

Ouachita Little Theatre  
presents



**2nd Wednesday  
at the Lyric Party with a  
Free Movie**



**This is now scheduled**  
We will follow Covid-19 CDC  
guidelines.

**WEDNESDAY,  
Feb. 10**

**MOVIE STARTS AT 6:30pm**

# Great Progress in Cleaning the Theatre



I just wanted to thank everyone for their support on the OLT work day! Today we cleaned up the prop room, got everything up off the floor and put away, could walk into the prop room, and of course, organization. Work was also done in the costumes, with things get organized, put away in bins and up and off the floor also. Floors were swept and vacuumed too! Robby worked in the sound booth and with lights. More bins were purchased to help with organization. We had a whole group that showed up today. Jackie, Mitch, Brad, and Gini worked under the direction of Linda, our prop master. Jane Buttermilk arrived with 2 assistants-LaDonna and Alexis, Judy and Sharon helped her. Previous to us arriving today, Brad had worked on the paint storage area and actually emptied a lot of it so that there was more room for props to be stored. The dehumidifiers are now all hooked up and working thanks to Scotty. Rudi also came and helped supervise! Lorraine really is doing great, better than before. We also had a good time being together so I am really sorry some of you missed this opportunity to be together!

Judy Kropp