



# SOUTHEUGENETHEATER

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## Upcoming Events:

- Regional Acting Competitions: February 2, All Day, SEHS
- *What I Did Last Summer*: February 8, 9, 15, 16 @ 7:30, Little Theater
- *Carousel*: February 21, 22, 23, 24\*, 28 & March 1, 2, 3\* @ 7:30 (Sunday matinee @ 2:00), Auditorium

## 2012-2013 Season

<i>A Bad Year for Tomatoes</i> Haley Forrester	<b>Fall</b>
<i>Anything Goes</i> Pat Avery	<b>Fall</b>
<i>What I Did Last Summer</i> Madeleine Peara	<b>Winter</b>
<i>Carousel</i> Pat Avery	<b>Winter</b>
<i>Sister Sister</i> Taylor Paschall	<b>Spring</b>
<i>The Seagull</i> Pat Avery	<b>Spring</b>
<i>Good People</i> Matthew Stevens	<b>Spring</b>

## What I Did Last Summer

Our first winter show opens Friday, February 8th! *What I Did Last Summer* is directed by senior Madeleine Peara. Performances are February 8, 9, 15, and 16. Shows begin at 7:30 in the Little Theater. Seating in the Little Theater is now assigned. Tickets can be purchased online or in or in our Box Office later in the month.

A. R. Gurney's play *What I Did Last Summer* is set on the shores of Lake Erie during the final stages of World War II. Charlie, a naive and rebellious fourteen year old, is spending the summer with his mother and sister before going to boarding school in the fall. Although he intended to spend the summer loafing around with his friends, he takes a job as a handyman for an iconoclastic, bohemian art teacher, Anna Trumbull. A former member

of the "upper crust", she has lost both her fortune and her regard for the ideals of her upbringing. Sensing a kindred spirit in Charlie, she teaches him painting and sculpture - while exposing him to "radical" ideas about life that, in time, persuade Charlie to reject the notion of going back to school. The result is a showdown between Anna and Charlie's conservative mother, a clash of philosophies that in the end stimulates the self-awareness that will shape the man Charlie is destined to become.

The cast features Alex Lonnquist as Charlie, Ben Bailey as Ted, Chelsea Blair as Grace, and Haley Forrester as Anna. Other characters include Hazel Herring as Elsie and Alex Shonk as Bonnie.

Hope to see you there!

## Regional Acting Competitions

Regionals is coming up on February 2nd! This year SEHS is honored to be hosting for schools in the Southern Oregon region. High school thespians will compete all day in both acting and musical categories.

Entries in the acting categories are assigned to students in the Drama 2 and Drama 3/4 classes by audition.

Students of any grade and class level may choose to enter a musical piece or pantomime. However, there are limited spots and auditions will be held for categories that are too full. Please see Pat Avery for more information.

There is lots for us to do as hosts before and during Regionals. More info to follow!

## Volunteers Needed

Parent volunteers are needed for set construction for *Carousel*. Work sessions will be starting up this week, taking place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00 to 9:00 in the Auditorium. There will likely be some Saturday morning work sessions as well, to be announced at a later date.

Dody Hansen is coordinating work sessions for those interested in sewing costumes, so please contact her at [pdh@efn.org](mailto:pdh@efn.org) if you would like to assist in this effort.

Thank you for all your support!

## CONTACT US

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