

# Fish Hoek Dramatic Society

## NEWSLETTER January 2010

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**Happy New Year everyone!**

May this be the year when all hopes are fulfilled and all negative influences vanish –  
*may the road rise up to meet your feet and the wind blow lightly over your shoulder and  
may God hold you in the palm of his hand till we meet again –*  
don't think I got the Irish saying quite correct, but the wish is there!

And talking of **meeting** again: We are having an FHDS get-together on 24 January at John and Margi Blewett's home. We will light the braai fires at 12:00 and provide the salads – everyone needs to bring their own drinks and whatever they want to braai. John and Margi live at 17 Windermere Road, Muizenberg. Windermere is 2nd left off Prince George Drive, opposite the High School trapeze on the corner of Windermere and Bournemouth roads. The entrance in Bournemouth Road will be open, just come on in. Partners, children and miscellaneous friends all welcome! If possible RSVP to either Angela Burgess 083 380 3958 or Margi 083 628 6295 – hope to see you there!

**Congratulations** to all the FHDS members who were **nominated for the Cata Awards** – see the full list at the end of this newsletter. We certainly had a good haul of nominees this year. To each and every one of them: Well done, and thank you for helping make the Masque's shows of such a high standard.

**Booking for the awards evening** to be held on Monday, 22 March, will open on Monday, 18 January 2010. Hayley Fargher will take your bookings on 021-788 6999. She is available for bookings on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 to 13:00.

Our next **production** is directed by Jane Philbrick and is an unusual Agatha Christie play called *Towards Zero*. The rehearsals are great fun, and with the expected sudden cast changes now all hopefully behind us, it's so gratifying to see how the performances improve at each rehearsal! Some stalwarts of Fish Hoek are taking to the boards for us again. We are delighted to have Val Mulligan, Ralph Thornley and Aubrey Hindle appearing after an absence of some time. There is also an extremely strong group of young people, some of whom will be familiar from *Appointment with Death* and some who are new to both the Masque and FHDS. Angela Burgess's mom also graces the stage in this production. The show runs from 05 to 13 March. Hope to see you all there! Details will go out closer to the time.

**Sadly we say a farewell** this month to two stalwarts of the local theatre scene who passed away this year. *Sally Stonehouse*, a life member of Claremont Dramatic Society, left us on 06 January. On 07 January Honor Southam, well-known to many FHDS members, reached the end of her journey at Tunbridge Wells in England. Her funeral was on Monday, 11 January at 11:30. At this time she was in our thoughts, wishing her well for the new journey and I'm sure all those who knew her add their thoughts as well.

Wishing you all good health and much happiness for the year.

Love

*Margi* on behalf of the FHDS committee

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