



# SKITBITS

Winter 2024

## Presidents' Message

BY KENDRA WEST-SENIOR & JUDY THACKABERRY

Happy New Year!!

The days seem to be getting a little longer, which is always a good thing, and a lot is going on with SKIT. Also, a good thing.

Auditions for our next show are coming up on January 21st and 22nd (see more inside). The show is about Greek Gods doing naughty things and some of the consequences. It has been several years since SKIT has produced a musical and this one looks like a good one!

Our Annual Meeting plans are underway, and the board is looking forward to seeing you there. Who doesn't like a good potluck? Now might be the time to renew your SKIT membership. We've got that covered with the form and all the information right inside this SKITbits issue.

Check out the photos from our last production, The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon. We also have pictures and a follow-up from our 30th Birthday Party back in November.

One of the most important things SKIT does is to award scholarship funds to area students. In this issue is an update on how students can apply and what's coming up with our committee.

We look forward to seeing you at auditions, the Annual Meeting, and at Olympus On My Mind in April at the Warner Town Hall.

Enjoy this issue of SKITbits!

Kendra and Judy

*S.K.I.T. (Sunapee-Kearsarge Intercommunity Theatre) is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) non-profit dedicated to raising funds for area charities and other non-profit organizations through the presentation of theatrical events. We produce several shows per year, showcasing our community talents in both musical and non-musical productions. The proceeds are shared between SKIT and its partnering group. We also award scholarships to local high-school-aged students (including private school and home-schooled) each spring through our Steven Mendelson Scholarship Fund. Since its inception in 1993, SKIT has participated in, and has been recognized for excellence at the NH Community Theatre Association (NHCTA) competitions.*



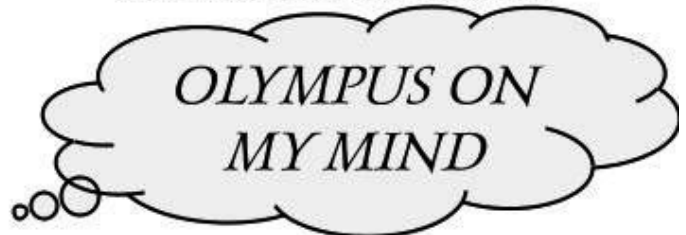
**HIP HIP HOORAY!  
SKIT  
CELEBRATES  
30 YEARS!**

# Brothers' Grimm Spectaculathon Photos



## A LOOK AHEAD

SKIT PRESENTS AUDITIONS FOR



Book and Lyrics by Barry Harman  
**SKIT** Music by Grant Sturiale



Directed by Gary Evans



AUDITIONS SUNDAY 1/21 1-3PM & MONDAY 1/22  
 5-7PM, WARNER TOWN HALL.  
 SHOW DATES: 4/12-14 & 4/19-21

VISIT [WWW.SKITNH.ORG](http://WWW.SKITNH.ORG) FOR MORE INFO  
 OLYMPUS ON MY MIND is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals.  
[www.concordtheatricals.com](http://www.concordtheatricals.com)

## Director's Notes

BY GARY EVANS

I'm looking forward to directing this fast-paced, funny musical, which has great songs, for both soloists and ensemble singers/actors.

I saw it many years ago, and I've wanted to direct it ever since. I have never seen it done in the area, but don't be shy because you aren't familiar with it. As much as I look forward to directing it, I'd like to perform in it, too. It's been several years since SKIT has done a musical, and we've got a great team, including Geri Veroneau, our Music Director.

Whether you audition or attend a performance, I think you will love it.

### SKIT ANNUAL MEETING

It's hard to believe that it is nearly time for our Annual Meeting. This year we will again meet at St. Andrew's Church in New London at 2:30 PM for our usual Potluck meal on March 3, 2024.

The cast (or a portion of it) of Olympus On My Mind will bring us a song or two to give us a taste of what's to come in April when the show goes up! We hope to see you there!

# Cheers to 30 Years!

BY JUDY THACKABERRY

This past fall, the Board celebrated the 30 years of the Sunapee-Kearsarge Inter-community Theatre with a party! Actors, crew, and audiences joined us at the Wilmot Community Association Red Barn on November 4. Memories, stories, and laughter were shared while watching the slide show that Caleb Parsons put together. Plus, there were scrapbooks of photographs and newspaper articles to peruse. It was great fun to see all the SKIT supporters who have helped us through the years bring live theatre to our community.

And still, we look to the future with a Spring show, "Olympus on my Mind." Please mark your calendars for auditions Sunday, January 21 and Monday, January 22 at the Warner Town Hall. Hope to see you there.

Photos:

Top: Wally Borgen, Heidi Leighton and Brenda Shapiro.

Bottom: Don Wright, Don Boxwell, Polly Wright.



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## 2024 SKIT Scholarships

BY MICHAEL T. BROWN II, SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR

After a successful 2023, the SKIT Scholarship, named in honor of Steven M. Mendelson, will continue to be an online paperless process in 2024. Students can submit their applications, essays, letters of recommendation, and school transcripts through the same online form. The application, as usual, will be available mid-February through the SKIT website to all students who live in the following towns: Andover, Bradford, Newbury, New London, Newport, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner and Wilmot.

Applicants MUST be CURRENT high school seniors who have been accepted to and have plans to attend a school of higher education. If you have any questions about the scholarship, please email SKIT Scholarship Committee Chair Michael T. Brown II at [skitscholarshipapp@gmail.com](mailto:skitscholarshipapp@gmail.com). We encourage all seniors who have participated in any aspect of the fine or performing arts and who plan to further their education in any field to apply when the application is available, and we encourage you to spread the word about it!

The Scholarship Committee is also searching for new members to serve for the 2024 and 2025 scholarship seasons. If interested, please email SKIT Scholarship chair Michael Brown or a SKIT Board member.

Learn more and apply: [skitnh.org/about-skit/scholarships/](http://skitnh.org/about-skit/scholarships/)

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