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It's October! Gateway Gala Nov 1. Get tickets now!!

50th ANNIVERSARY GALA

Help us celebrate 50 years of Gateway Players Theatre! We will be holding our 50th Anniversary Gala on November 1st at 6pm at Heritage Country Club, 85 Sampson Rd, Charlton, MA. Please join us for food, drinks, music, dancing, and years of memories. The highlight of the evening will be the premiere of our 50th Anniversary video documentary, produced by Southbridge Community Television.

The menu will include Scallops Wrapped in Bacon, Vegetable Crudites, Carved Roast Beef, Baked Boneless Lemon Parmesan Chicken, Roasted Red Potatoes, Manicotti with Sauce, Vegetable Medley, Garden Salad and a wide range of desserts.

Tickets are \$40 per person and can be purchased by calling Gateway at 508-764-4531. Online credit card ticket sales are available at https://www.ticketleap.events/.../50th-anniversary-gala Tickets sales are limited and must be purchased no later October 19th. Get your tickets now to guarantee a seat!

We hope you join us for this remarkable celebration of our past fifty years.

What can you expect at the Gala?

In addition to a great meal, you will have the opportunity to

connect- or re-connect- with Gateway friends. With a 50 year history, many people have passed through our doors-whether it be at the Gateway Barn, local schools, other venues- or Elm St Church.

The commemorative video, edited by Charles Dias from Southbridge Cable TV will have the first viewing at the Gala. Many Gateway members- old and new- will be highlighted on this video.

We are very fortunate that Elaine Black, one of the 1975 founding members was able to share her stories, including the planning meetings that took place around her kitchen table. SCTV attended our August exhibit at Jacob Edwards Library and filmed Elaine sharing her stories This may be seen on youtube.com-SCTV, Jacob Edwards Library.

50 years is a long time- we are fortunate to have Linda Bouthillier and Kathi Grenier- members since the 1970's still active. Christine Berard from that era passed this weekend (see Daniel Morrill Funeral Home for details).

There will be photos, albums, memorabilia- lots to view and remember.

Rich Gaudette will be there providing sound- and music. Rich can be seen at the musicals, operating mics and sound equipment. We are proud to have such a long association. Remember stand mics? Hanging mics? We have ALL come a long way!

So- get out your dressy outfits- get your tickets- and join us for a fun nite.

Remember the Twizzler awards- they replaced the Aileen awards- all to recognize memorable productions



Selling cotton candy at any and all community events



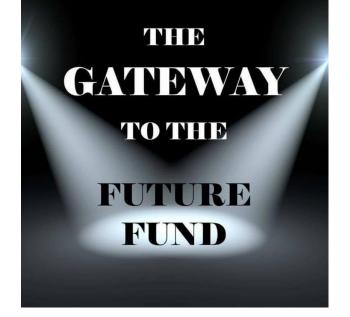
We did scripted cemetery walks in conjunction with Southbridge Historical Society, Quinebaug Valley Council for the Arts and Humanities (Ruth Wellls Center) and Southbridge Veterans Council.



We hosted golf tournaments, performed hundreds of productions, offered workshops for youth and adults, participated in community events, had an improve troupe that went on the road. We have awarded scholarships, and have worked hard to be inclusive and relevant









50 YEARS DOWN-MANY MORE TO COME!!

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