

The Year: 1996
The People: Jerry & Sharon Durand

December 1995:

Saw Orestes twice, once for party.

Dicken's faire with Sandra

Sandra to NY

In December 1995 we went to see the revival of "Orestes" (the play we saw earlier in the year) and had fun at their Christmas party. Jerry offended Danny and had to buy him 3 dozen roses a month to get him to forgive him. We took Sandra to the Dicken's (you say) Faire in San Francisco and other than being cold as always, it was fun. Sandra went back to NY for the holidays.

January:

RSC Mid Summer Night's Dream

Pete in Paradise

We started off the new year by going to the Royal Shakespeare Company's production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" in San Francisco and went to a private party for cast and RSC members at Planet Hollywood afterwards. Got to chat for a couple of minutes with Alex Jennings (Oberon) and Kim Larson (Kenny the Office Boy from "The Desk Set", "The Comedy Hit of the Season" [San Francisco Chronicle, Nov, 1995] directed by Danny Scheie) at the party. Later in January, we went to see Doug Holesclaw in his one man show, "Pete in Paradise".

February:

Cinequest Plan 10, Family Values, Pteradactyl Woman, Last Call, Mind Benders, Understudy.

Lypsinka

Dolby Labs

In February, we got to see some very strange films at Cinequest (the maverick Film Festival in San Jose). Included in these films were "Plan 10 from Outer Space", a film about Mormons. The director took a picture of the audience to prove to his friends that people actually came to see his film. Then there "Pteradactyl Woman", about a woman that turns into a pteradactyl. "Last Call" was about rowdy college kids in Santa Cruz during their last year. While we were waiting in line for this show, a guy behind Jerry asked if we'd heard anything about this film and what did people think of it. It turns out he was one of the actors in it. "Mind Benders" and "Understudy" were a bit strange. Then there was "Family Values", an award-winning documentary by

Pam Walton about the relationship between her, her sister, their brother, and their father. He deserted them years ago and is now a major proponent of family values for the Christian right. We later contacted Pam and purchased a copy of the film to show to friends. Later in the month we got to see Lypsinka, both as a man and a woman. We went to a presentation at Dolby Labs in San Francisco and complained about the sound in their very expensive custom theatre being too loud.

March:

J became old and grey

Doug at Josie's

Birdcage

Doug in Net

Hawai'i: Well, we tried to climb the mountain along the powerline trail and got about half the way up and we stopped for a drink of water and munch of bagel and along came this guy on a mountain bike and there was this very narrow bridge that was knee deep in mud--he actually made it across, but it was fun to watch. We had planned on doing some more hiking this year with some friends, but they couldn't make it...maybe next year. We went to see Doug (of peter fame) perform again and then later saw him in "The Net". Jerry went over the hill and is currently jogging down the other side.

April:

return from Hawai'i

order 300 tons of concrete

Redressa @ Josie;s

J applied for new insurance

We actually started work on terracing the back yard and after going through hundreds of bags of concrete, our contractor presented us with a new set of walls.

May:

Picnic directed by ***Danny***

Russian River Wine Festival

Chris's B-day

J > Florida

S > Wigstock West

We drove to Marin County (north of 'Frisco) to see "Picnic", directed by Danny Scheie. He used several actors from previous production he's done and as usual it was great.

Jerry spent a week in Florida visiting his mother and his friend Jena.

While there he worked on both of their computer systems, fixed his mom's heating system, and assisted Jena with some new equipment for her business. Jerry also took Jena to the Consumer Electronics Show in Orlando in the middle of a downpour only to find out that the summer version of the show is nothing like the winter show in Las Vegas. About the only thing there was home audio systems. While Jerry was off working in Florida, Sharon went to Wigstock West with her friend, Diana and had a good time.

June:

Frut Cocktail @ Josie's
Gay Pride Parade

July:

Doug @ Josie's
SHASC stuff
12th night
Tartufe
Stomp
Stonewall
Pear a clease

August:

Creation Con
Weekend with Shaklespit
Andra & Dusty here
Danny in LLL (257 times)
The Ritz
Melanie
Idaho

September:

back from Idaho
Danny in LLL in S.F.
King of Kings @ Josie's (1/2 audience)
LLL in S.F. with Susan
Exporting the Divas @ Rhino

October:

doug @ Josie's
Pieces of the Quilt
Steven's Dreag Show

Terrorized the Castro
Steven auditioned for ****D****
Sandra shuffled off to Buffalo

November:
Sandra back
Sandra party
Sandra left
Pieces of the Quilt
Epson company picnic

December:
Christmas Carol
New printer
Mediagate makes news and Vertigo works (in that order).

Love,

Jerry & Sharon