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Soccer mom?s are a hit!

Two weekends ago Grace Tipling Stage Company put on their final performance of this season called ?Secrets of a Soccer Mom?. This play was typical of how Mom's on the soccer sidelines interact with each other, their children and their hectic lives. Each of the three mom's portrayed in the play had different backgrounds, different goals and ambitions both personally and with regard to their children, however they all gathered weekly to watch and cheer on their children play soccer.

Michelle White who played the part of Nancy was very convincing as the mom who always puts her children first instead of herself. Daphne Rodaway, playing her second part in a TSC production, played the part of Allison the mom in an unhappy relationship with a very competitive nature. While Jean Jardine Miller, a seasoned veteran of the stage, played Lynn the PTA mom who is always organizing trips and volunteering.

These three women reluctantly take the field in a mothers vs. Sons soccer game. They intend to let the children win, but as the game unfolds they become intent on scoring. The competition ignites a fierce desire to recapture their youthful good-humour, independence and sexiness, paving the way toward a better understanding of themselves, their families and changes they need to make in their lives.

Josh Oatman did a bang up job at his first time directing, and as a past soccer mom I could relate to each of the characters in this play at one point or another and found myself chuckling at the underlying innuendo's that were found throughout the performance that took me back to those days.

In the end this play turned out to be a fond walk down memory lane for my past days on the sidelines watching my girls all play soccer as well as all the different hats you play as a mom usually not taking time for yourself. For those of you living that life right now I can tell you there is light at the end of the tunnel and you will get time for yourself eventually. In the meantime enjoy it and take it all in because it will be over before you know it.

At this time I wish all the TSC director's, producer's, Stage manager's, line assistance's, ASM's, everyone from sound to lighting design to set construction and decor as well as all those at who found themselves at the Front of the House and of course to all performers a Safe and Happy Summer! TSC will return October 16th to 25th with ?The Trouble with Trent?.

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