



The Call Board

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The Presidential Dispatch

What a thriller our production of "Wait Until Dark" turned out to be. Unfortunately the weather interfered with our attendance, but the "show must go on"! Thanks to the leadership of producer, Tim Yard and talented directors, Jeff Smith and Reed Steel, the show came together very well. Add that together with a very capable cast, a stage crew that made all the special effects happen right on cue, a set that was believable, sound and lighting that enhanced the mood, and we had an impressive show.

Director, Richard Garand, along with his talented cast are busy polishing up the hilarious "Don't Hug Me" opening Friday, April 23. Producer, Cheryl Cuprys, has assembled the crew and techies that make a show work without even noticing.

Our summer children's theatre production will be "Seussical Jr." this July. Director, Brett Bowling, is at work with producer, Patti Kasper, getting ideas and people together for another outstanding experience for our young actors. Watch our website for details on auditions and such.

Due to the success we have had with our Wine Tasting Fundraiser, we are continuing the tradition on Thursday, September 9, 2010 at the Navy Bistro Courtyard. Remember this is a silent auction with some select live auction items as well. In addition to the wine, hors d'oeuvres, and great items for auction, the socialization with fellow theatre supporters is worth your attending. Our focus continues to be our scholarship fund in addition to our ongoing expenses associated with high quality productions.

Speaking of high quality, the excitement is building for our Fall show, "White Christmas". Director, Kevin Wietrzykowski, and producer, Diane Hess, are already planning fantastic details for this family classic show. This will be reserved seating only, so be sure to order tickets early.

We are desperately searching for alternative storage for our set and costume pieces as the current one may not be available to us much longer. If you know of space (3000 sq. ft.) that we could get for free or low cost, please let me know ASAP.

As always we welcome your comments and suggestions. Either call me direct, use the email on our website, or call our theatre number at 419 691-1398.

See you at the show!

Ron Davis
President OCT
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Directors Wanted

If you would like to be considered to direct one of our shows next season, Diane Hess our play reading chairperson would like to hear from you. We still need directors for the Winter show (yet to be determined) and spring show, "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee". Please write Diane at 2525 Consaul Street #14 Toledo, Ohio 43605.

Scholarships

This year we are proud to announce the awarding of our scholarships to 2 graduating seniors. Each will receive \$500 towards their future education. The scholarship is awarded to a student planning to pursue higher education in the performing arts. This year the winners are: The envelope please!!!!!!

- Ryan Hook from Clay High School. Ryan has performed in high school with the Limelighters for the past 4 years and will be attending college in the fall to pursue a major in musical theatre. Ryan has participated with OCT in two of our children shows, "Dear Edwina" and "Aladdin, jr." and assisted with "101 Dalmatians". Recently you might have seen him as the lead in Clay's production of "13 the musical". Our best wishes to Ryan as he continues to pursuit of his dreams.
- Emily Taplin from Springfield Local High School. Emily appeared as Hodel in our production of "Fiddler on the Roof" this past fall with her beautiful voice and emotional portrayal. She has a long history of theatre experiences during her high school years as well as attending musical theatre camp for the past two summers at Baldwin Wallace College. We wish her our best in her pursuit of a degree in musical theatre.

From The Bunyan Bay News

Director Dick Garand indicated that the cast of "Don't Hug Me" is superb and working hard on this very funny small musical scheduled for April 23 and 24th and the following week April 30, and May 1 with a Sunday matinee on May 2.

Devin Bader plays Gunner Johnson and Tammy Halay is his wife Clara, both owners of the Bunyan, a small bar in Northern Minnesota. They have a pretty young waitress named Bernice who is portrayed by MacKenize Bensch. Bernice has a fiancé, Kanute played by Patrick Boyer.

All their lives are changed by the arrival of a charismatic salesman, Arrvid Gisselsen, played by Dave Bensch (real life husband to MacKenzie), and his karaoke machine.

The songs are all original to the show, but with recognizable styles and mostly humorous.

If you like comedy and appreciate very good singing and acting, don't miss this show!

The show is produced by Cheryl Cuprys with musical direction by Darlene Garrand and choreography by Kristin Kellar.

Opening Night

The opening night of each of our season productions is celebrated with a Patron Appreciation Reception prior to the show. This is masterfully coordinated by Dianne Davis and many volunteers. Everyone is invited as it is our complimentary offering to those who support us by attending the opening night of our show. It usually starts around 7:00 PM and runs until the curtain opens. It is held in the library off the main hall at Fassett. We usually have coffee (decaf), punch, and desserts or hors d'oeuvres suiting to the particular show. So mark your calendar for Friday April 23 for the opening night appreciation for "Don't Hug Me".

APRON: Section of the stage floor which projects towards or into the auditorium. In proscenium theatres, the part of the stage in front of the house tabs, or in front of the proscenium arch.



Upcoming Events:

- April 23, 24, 30, 8:00 pm – “Don’t Hug Me”
Fassett Auditorium
3025 Starr Ave., Oregon, Ohio
- May 1, 8:00 pm – “Don’t Hug Me”
Fassett Auditorium
3025 Starr Ave., Oregon, Ohio
- May 2, 3:00 pm – “Don’t Hug Me”
Fassett Auditorium
3025 Starr Ave., Oregon, Ohio
- May 10, – “General Meeting”
Time: TBA
Place: TBA
- June 8, 9, 6:30 pm – “Seussical Jr.” Auditions
Fassett Auditorium
3025 Starr Ave., Oregon, Ohio
- June 10 – “Seussical Jr.” Mandatory Parents Meeting
Fassett Auditorium
3025 Starr Ave., Oregon, Ohio
- June 13, 6:06 pm – “Board Meeting”
Bay Park Hospital
- July 22, 23, 24 7:00 pm – “Seussical Jr.”
Fassett Auditorium
3025 Starr Ave., Oregon, Ohio

Children’s Theatre



Auditions

June 8, 9, 2010
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Mandatory Parents Meeting

June 10, 2010

Show Dates

July 22, 23, 24, 2010



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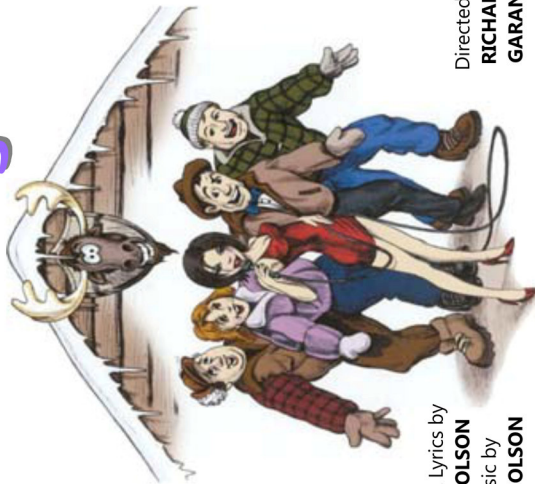
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This mission shall be accomplished by encouraging appreciation of and participation in all aspects of live theater, as well as conducting related educational programs for adults and children.

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Oregon Community Theatre
presents

Don't Hug Me



Book & Lyrics by
PHIL OLSON
Music by
PAUL OLSON

Directed by
RICHARD GARAND

April 23-24 @ 8pm
April 30-May 1 @ 8pm
May 2 @ 3pm

Fassett Auditorium
3025 Starr Ave., Oregon

*Presented through special
arrangement with Samuel French*

Tickets
\$12 Adults
\$10 Seniors
& Students

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• or in advance
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