



Lake County's Only Dinner Theatre Opens 5th Season

The 2010 hilarious “*Showtime on the Showboat or Shakespeare Sinks the Ship*” is opening the 5th season of the Lake County Historical Society’s American Heritage Dinner Theatre. Held in the barn at the Lake County History Center, the presentation celebrates both community theatre and historic forms of public entertainment. This season’s show features both the classic Victorian melodrama and turn of the century vaudeville.

This story takes place on a Lake Erie cruise ship. Just as cruise ships sail between Miami and Nassau, boats use to sail between Cleveland and Buffalo. The play features the actual “City of Erie” showboat that was called the “honeymoon boat” because it carried so many Cleveland newlyweds to Niagara Falls for their honeymoons. The play unfolds as the cast is getting prepared for their new production to be presented when the boat docks in Fairport.

The production is a classic melodrama with the nasty villain, the beautiful heroine, the strange twist in plot and lots of opportunities to “Boo” and “Hiss.” The captain needs a successful show to raise the money to save the showboat, the villain wants to ruin the show in a fit of jealousy over the casting; there are lots of plot twists and turns as the production winds to its surprise ending. Throughout the production, various members of the vaudeville show present their acts in an attempt to impress the Captain. All of the activity combines in a hilarious evening of laughter, mystery and good old fashion fun. Winn Douglass is producing this season with a cast of nearly twenty members, some returning from last season, while others are brand new to the American Heritage Dinner Theatre.



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Lewis Gosselin & Dale Liikala

CALL FOR RESERVATIONS: 440-639-2945

5:30PM- DOORS OPEN / Museum Tours Available

6:00-7:00pm- Dinner Served

7-7:40 First Act

7:40-8:00pm- Intermission & Dessert Served

8:30pm- Second Act Followed by Meet the Cast

Show dates are August 14, 18, 21 and September 11, 15, 18. Special meal requests or special occasion requests can be accommodated by calling the Center and advising reservations. All groups will be seated together. \$28 pp / **Group Rates Available**

There is free parking, and handicapped accessible grounds. The American Heritage Dinner Theatre is supported by the Lake County Arts and Culture Fund and the Ohio Arts Council.



Sabre Gosslin



Vince Wilson & Linda Brown



Anela Velotta & Peter Percassi



Jon Talbot



Partial Cast List
2010 Season

Celebrating
Community
Theatre



Mike Wojciechowicz "Wojo" & Elias Jablonski

