



**2010-2011**  
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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.**

Whew! Well gang, here we are at the end of the Harlequins' 2009-2010 season, so it's time to look back and to look ahead. We had a great season this year, one to be proud of. And that pride extends to all the members who took up my challenge to "do one better" and try something new at the theatre. It truly was a season of laughter, and that laughter continues as the cast of "The Iliad" rehearses to make us all proud at OCTA regionals in Findlay.

You'll see in the newsletter, and know if you were at the last general meeting, that we have some new members on the board. A thank you to our new board members, Marion, Deb, and Valerie, for agreeing to be nominated and taking up the challenge; another thank you to George, Mike and Ellie, those members leaving the board, for all their fine service; and finally, a last thank you to Jim, Kathlyn, Tami, Nate, and Jennifer for continuing their hard work on the board.

It's time, too, to get excited about next season's shows. At the last board meeting we decided on "Out of Sight, Out of Murder," a mystery/comedy to be directed by Lori Demres, "Sweet Surrender," a comedy, to be directed by Ron Abbott, and "Twelve Angry Jurors," to be directed by either Jennifer Wertz or Marian Hancy, to be decided in an arm wrestling competition. These are all great shows, and I look forward to seeing our members get involved in them. Also, this coming weekend we have the June dinner, which also serves as our June general meeting. The committee has been hard at work to make this event a memorable one; can't wait to see you there!

-Lisa

## **IN MEMORIAM**

### **Michael J. Evans, May 23, 1948 - May 21, 2010**

Michael J. Evans, 61, Berlin Heights, died unexpectedly late Friday evening, May 21, 2010, at Mt. Carmel West Hospital in Columbus. He was born May 23, 1948, in Youngstown, son of the late Myron and Dorothy (Ferguson) Evans. He received a B.S. degree in psychology and philosophy from Youngstown State University. He was employed by Genworth Financial, working at home, selling long-term care insurance. Michael enjoyed restoring classic cars, boating, photography, woodworking, working outdoors, and especially spending time with family and friends. He is survived by his wife, Donna Jean (Meyers), whom he married June 26, 1982; his son, David Evans of Toledo; granddaughter, Falynn Evans of Toledo; his sister, Nancy Lee Miller of Youngstown; and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.



### You Can Ring Our Bell!

If anyone would like any information put on the website, please send it to Jim Ohlemacher. He will then put it on the website!

We are trying to cut postage costs for the newsletter and would like to know if anyone receiving the newsletter would prefer to get it by e-mail instead of snail mail. If so, please let Ellie know. If that's not your thing, we still don't mind sending it by regular mail since we do want everyone to receive it and know what's going on.

### **HEY! LOOK OVER HERE!**

We now have a page set up on Firelands411, which is kind of like a business directory of the surrounding area. Just go to [www.firelands411.com](http://www.firelands411.com) and to "Arts and Entertainment/Theatres" and you'll see our page. Just simple information, but definitely one more thing that gets our name out there.

## I'VE GOT DATES TO REMEMBER

June 6 - Cocktails begin at 5:30 p.m. - June dinner (NOTE: this is a Sunday) - at meeting/party room of Plum Brook Estates. Invitations and a map should have been received. IF you did not receive one please contact Tami Crain or Deb Presser.

June 11, 12, 13 - various times and events - NW Regional OCTA - Harlequins will be excerpting The Iliad The Odyssey and All of Greek Mythology in 99 Minutes or Less. We do not have a time but we expect to excerpt on Sunday June 13th. To be hosted by Fort Findlay Playhouse.

July 3 - Harlequins will again have a booth at the downtown July 4th celebration. Come volunteer to sit in the booth for an hour or two and look pretty and make faces at everyone who goes by - or hand them info on Harlequins! Lots of fun...never a dull moment.

## OCTA NEWS!

Every year OCTA has at least 6 board positions open and it's that time of year to start thinking about joining the board. We need YOU!! This year we have 6 3-year terms, and 1-1 year term open. Please consider running for the board and being one of the ones who help to shape, to make certain that OCTA continues to be the best State theatre organizations, and to help us expand and grow.

If you have been thinking about it, or are interested, please contact Lisa Billing, Nominations Chair at [lbilling@curtainplayers.com](mailto:lbilling@curtainplayers.com) or any board member for information.

### OCTA Needs You!!!

Also, let's be sure to support our local pals at Playmakers Theatre as they present *Messiah on the Frigidair* at OCTA regionals in Findlay. Be sure, too, to check out their website and newsletters to keep up with all the local theatre goings-on!

<http://pcplaymakers.org/newsletters>

## LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE 2010-2011 SEASON!!!!

### "Twelve Angry Jurors"

A drama by Reginald Rose

*Produced through special arrangement with Dramatic Publishing*

October 29, 30, 31, November 5, 6, 7, 13, 14, 2010

A 19-year-old man has just stood trial for the fatal stabbing of his father. It looks like an open-and-shut case—until one of the jurors begins opening the others' eyes to the facts. "This is a remarkable thing about democracy," says the foreign-born juror, "that we are notified by mail to come down to this place—and decide on the guilt or innocence of a man; of a man we have not known before. We have nothing to gain or lose by our verdict. We should not make it a personal thing." But personal it does become, with each juror revealing his or her own character as the various testimonies are re-examined, the murder is re-enacted and a new murder threat is born before their eyes! Tempers get short, arguments grow heated, and the characters become 12 angry jurors.

### "Suite Surrender"

A comedy by Michael McKeever

*Directed by Ron Abbott*

January 28, 29, 30, February 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 2011

It's 1942, and the luxurious Palm Beach Royale Hotel is under siege as two of Hollywood's biggest divas vie for the same suite. Mistaken identities, overblown egos, double entendres, and one pampered little lap dog round out this fall-down-laughing riot of a comedy. An all-out love note to those wonderful farces of the 30's and 40's.

### "Out of Sight...Out of Murder"

A mystery/comedy by Fred Carmichael

*Produced through special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.*

*Directed by Lori Demres*

April 29, 30, May 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 2011

Peter Knight is grinding out a murder story in an old mansion where another author was murdered years before. A weird electrical storm affects a cosmic snafu and his characters come to life. There's the lovely ingénue, the trusty butler, a feisty character woman, a dauntless hero, a fascinating "other woman," the always pregnant serving girl, and the wily lawyer waiting for midnight to read the will. Peter loses control of his characters and there is a murder; the intended victim is Peter. Other murders follow and the culprit is among characters who, having also worked for other authors, know a great deal about the subject. Can Peter find the killer before the killer gets his author? Is romance with the ingénue leading anywhere? Where is the fortune mentioned in the will? All is solved ingeniously with romance, suspense and cosmic wit.

## THE VOTES ARE IN!

The following are the newly elected board for 2010-2011.

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Jim Ohlemacher - VP

Kathlyn Stenzel -  
Treasurer

Valerie Thames -  
secretary

### Board Members:

Marian Hancy

Deb Presser

Nate Fuller

Jennifer Wertz

Tami Crain

**Thank you to all of the members that turned out for this historic vote!**

**Also, thank you to Ellie, Mike and George, who will be leaving the board, for their help and dedication over the last year!**

## EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT JUNE DINNER BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK:

It's time for our annual June Awards Dinner on Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>!

To be held at the party/meeting room of The Plum Brook Estates condominium complex  
(See map below)

Time: Cocktails 5:30 - 6:15pm (immediately followed by dinner)

Dinner: Buffet style. Featuring:

Lemon Pepper Chicken, Roast Sirloin, A Pasta Dish, Roasted Red Skin Potatoes, Salad With Mandarin Oranges, Rolls and Butter, and Assorted Mini Desserts.

Drinks: B.Y.O.B (ice and cups provided) Cost: \$16.00/plate

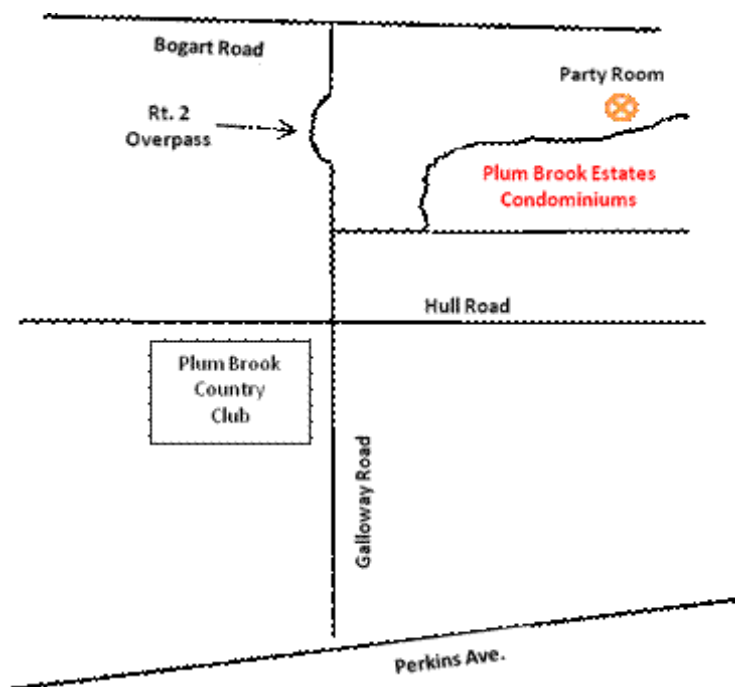
Presentation of awards will begin at the end of the meal and will continue for as long as we can stand it!

We will need 2-3 people to stay afterwards to help straighten up the room in order to get our security deposit back. It's not hard and will only take 30-45 minutes...all cleaning supplies will be provided. Let Tami or Deb know if you can help.

R.S.V.P.no later than June 1st to Tami at 419-627-9746 or Deb at 419-627-0380

We will use balloons to mark the way back to the party room.

From Galloway Road, turn onto Westwind Drive which takes you back to Plum Brook Estates Condominiums. Take the first left, Woodridge Drive, and follow it to the entrance for the Party/meeting room. Signs with balloons will show you the way starting with the turn onto Woodridge.



**NORTHWEST Regional Points System**

The Northwest region is holding a competition this year for all the Northwest theaters and members. Each theater will accumulate points, starting back on October 1, 2009 through July 1, 2010. The winning theater will receive one full paid registration to State Conference in Perrysburg plus a first place certificate. The second place winner will receive a half paid registration to State Conference plus a second place certificate. The third place winner will receive a quarter paid registration to State Conference plus a third place certificate. It is up to the theater which individual they give the registration to. Each theater delegate should keep a tally of the points (see list below) and send them to Cathy Williams [cathyawilliams@woh.rr.com](mailto:cathyawilliams@woh.rr.com) or John Aiello [jjilo57@yahoo.com](mailto:jjilo57@yahoo.com).

Since we know that some of you have already seen other theater's productions, it was decided to make this retroactive to October 1. So, start sending those points in now!!

**NORTHWEST POINTS SYSTEM**

<b>OCTA News on either your website or in your newsletter</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Submit an entry to any set, costume, tech, etc. competition</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Excerpt at Regional</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Excerpt at AACTFest or OCTA, Jr.</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Submit an article to Northwest Notes</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Send theater Callboard to Christi for NW Notes</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Host a Northwest delegate meeting</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Donate a raffle basket to State Conference</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Volunteer at Regional or State OCTAFest</b>	<b>3 (per person)</b>
<b>Attend a regional meeting</b>	<b>1 (per person)</b>
<b>Attend another theater's show (keep a program)</b>	<b>1 (per person)</b>

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