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The Newsletter of the Barnstable Comedy Club

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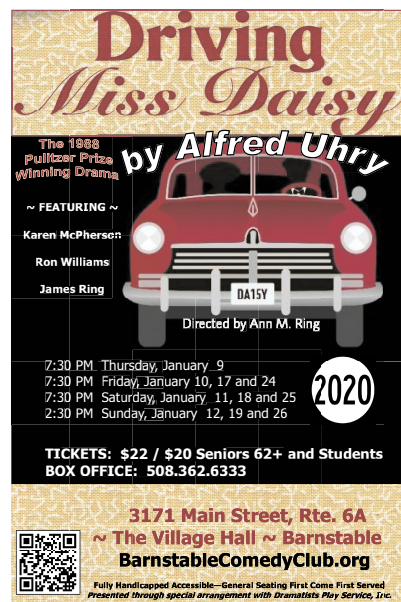
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RING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH A HEART WARMING CLASSIC!

Our 98th Season will continue with the award winning drama/comedy, *Driving Miss Daisy*, written by Alfred Uhry and directed by Ann M. Ring. This play is a humorous and an affecting study of the unlikely twenty-five year friendship between an aging, crotchety white Southern lady, and a proud, uneducated, soft-spoken black man. This story explores themes of race, prejudice, friendship, and aging in a way that makes it movingly clear that they have both come to realize that they have more in common than they ever believed possible. Cast includes Karen McPherson of Chatham as Daisy Werthan, Ron Williams of Chatham as Hoke Coleburn, and James Ring of Barnstable as Boolie Werthan. Karen McPherson has played the role of Daisy in several other productions on Cape Cod stages. On the production team are Patti Hughes, Stage Manager, Dennis Marchant, set design and construction, Linda Stevens, set dressing, Vicki Marchant, lighting operator, Martha Jason, scenic design, and Ann M. Ring, poster, program, and publicity. *Driving Miss Daisy* opens on January 9, and continues on Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. through January 26. Tickets are \$22 general admission and \$20 students and seniors 62 and older, and may be reserved by calling the box office at 508-362-6333.



ACTORS: AUDITIONS FAST APPROACHING FOR A FUN ‘WHO DUNNIT’

Director Lance Norris will hold auditions for our March mystery, *Shot in the Dark*, from the play L’Idiote by Marcel Archard, adapted by Harry Kurnitz, on January 14 and 15 at 7:00 p.m. Found unconscious and clutching a gun beside her dead lover, the Beaurevers’ parlor maid, Josefa, is brought before the magistrate on a charge of murder. Upon his questioning, the magistrate finds Josefa’s guileless demeanor so ingenuous that he decides she may not have committed the murder in spite of all appearances. As the investigation is expanded, other suspects appear in the quest to determine if somebody else could have fired that fatal shot in the dark. Casting is available for five men and three women. Perusal scripts are available at Hyannis and Sturgis libraries. Production dates are March 13 – 29, 2020. For more information please visit our website at www.barnstablecomedyclub.org.

LIGHTS UP ON OUR NEW LIGHTING TECHNICIAN!

Our newest lighting technician Patti Hughes earned a Standing Ovation for her work with Sonia Schonning’s production team for *The Miracle on 34th Street*. Patti worked the light board that was no longer a light board, made the scenes twinkle, made it snow, made big parade balloons float across the stage, and made that all happen with a great deal of patience while causing an abundance of smiles from the cast and audience! Our newest addition to our lighting designer team of resources is Geof Newton, known across the Cape for his creative designs and careful instructions. Geof works his magic on the stage lighting with a computer, removing the standard light board and replacing it with a laptop keyboard and monitor. He does his lighting design and cues on his computer, in the comfort of his home, returning to the theater with a completed set of cues for the show. In addition to the lighting design, Geof created the enchanting special features of snow and balloons using the slide projector installed in the center of the walkway between the lighting booth and the sound booth. Patti operated the slides using a second computer, in harmony with the lighting computer, throughout the show. This was a complex way to begin her new role as a lighting technician and Patti is ready to take on the next assignment – welcome aboard and thank you!

‘MIRACLE’ MADE!

Audiences were enchanted by an early dose of holiday magic by the cast of *Miracle on 34th Street*. The show received numerous accolades from local reviewers: ‘The show’s sizeable ensemble shines every time they’re on stage. The nearly 25 cast members include a gaggle of adorable, engaging kids. Thanks to director Sonia Schonning and choreographer Hannah Carrita, they fill the stage with enthusiasm.’ - Barbara Clark, Barnstable Patriot. ‘Overall the cast does a wonderful job exemplifying the underlying theme of the show, that kindness begets kindness and that the best things in life are most often things you can’t see, small, taste or touch.’ - Joanne Briana-Gartner, The Cape Cod Enterprise. ‘Florence Carlson as the doubting little deb, Susan, is uncommonly confident and competent on stage, filling the space with her youthful energy and sweet voice. Sean McIsaac is absolutely perfect in the Santa role, with a strong and sure voice that matches his persona. And the romantic leads, Katie Beatty as Doris and Todd Sadler as Fred, have a sweet and old fashioned chemistry.’ - Sue Mellen, The Cape Cod Times. Congratulations to Director Sonia Schonning and the entire cast and production crew on a very successful run.

FULL BOARD MEETING: JANUARY 14, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.

EXECUTIVE MEETING: FEBRUARY 11, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.

*The Barnstable Comedy Club wishes you and your families
a very Happy New Year and thank you for your support and patronage!*