



Funny family

The weekend encounters of a quirky family and its guests are the subject of Noel Coward's comedy *Hay Fever*, being presented by Otterbein Summer Theatre Thursday through Sunday and next Wednesday through July 30 at the Campus Center Theatre, 100 W. Home St. Evening performances begin at 7:30 p.m. this Sunday, 8 p.m. other days, while Sunday matinees begin at 2 p.m. Cast members include (from left): row one-Liz Beckham, Christina Kirk, Randy Goetz; row two-Jesse Wilson. Tickets are \$14 for Wednesday and Sunday shows, \$15 Thursday, \$17 Friday and Saturday. For reservations call 823-1109.

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City has jam-packed calendar of summer fun

I've said many times that community spirit is Westerville's best asset, and that spirit will shine just as bright as our July Fourth fireworks celebration next week.

But before we actually talk about the fireworks, there are a lot of other July Fourth activities to let you

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know about.

The day's activities will start off at 8:30 a.m. with the 100-yard dash children's race and 5K Fun Run at Blendon

Middle School. The parade will occur at 1:30 p.m., starting at Heatherdown Drive and ending at Home Street.

The evening activities will begin at 9 p.m. with a Westerville Civic Symphony concert and end with the fireworks celebration, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Westerville, around 10 p.m. Call 901-6410 for details about the parade and fireworks, and 901-6500 to register for the races.

The July Fourth activities are just the beginning. The following weekend, July 8-9, is the Music & Arts Festival, sponsored by the Westerville Area Chamber of Commerce. It will attract more than 40,000 people to the Otterbein College campus. Call the chamber office at 882-8917 for more information.

The following weekend, the Westerville Parks & Recreation Department will officially open the newly-expanded Heritage Park, including the historic Everal Barn. Located at 60 N. Cleveland Ave., this barn is the park's centerpiece. It will be available to rent for special events in August.

A special preview of the park and barn, which will include hors d'oeuvres and musical entertainment, will take place beginning at 7 p.m. July 14. Tickets for this special event are \$35, and the money will benefit the Westerville

Parks Foundation. Then, July 16, the Parks & Recreation Department will officially open the park to the general public. For more information, call 901-6500.

Otterbein College adds a summer spice to our cultural life in July with its production of the play *Hayfever*. This theater production will



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run July 13-30. For tickets, call 823-1109.

The Westerville Visitor & Convention Bureau started a new, popular summer trend last year with their Fourth Friday celebrations. The popular Uptown specialty shops will once again stay open late July 28, and there will be a lot of fun and games for the entire family. For more information, call 794-0401.

Although not in July, I also want to take this opportunity to talk about the Westerville Grand Prix professional bicycle race, to be held Aug. 12. Some of professional cycling's best in the world will be here to compete for the nation's largest payout prize of \$25,000. There will also be a children's race and an amateur race. Call 794-0401 for more details, and come on out for a great day!

City Spotlight, provided by the city of Westerville, is a regular feature of the Westerville News & Public Opinion. This week's column is by City Manager Dave Lindimore.

ARTS BRIEFS

Coward comedy next on summer bill

Otterbein Summer Theatre will present Noel Coward's comedy *Hay Fever* Thursday through July 30 in the Campus Center Theatre, 100 W. Home St.

Guest actor Christina Kirk is featured in the play, which follows a weekend in the life of the ultra-bohemian Bliss family.

The guest director is Doreen Dunn who directs the performing arts program for Eastland Vocational Center at Reynoldsburg High School.

Performances will be presented Thursday through Sunday, July 20-23 and 26-30. Evening show times are 7:30 p.m. opening night and July 23, 8 p.m. other days. Sunday matinees will be presented at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$14 for Wednesday and Sunday shows, \$15 for Thursday shows, \$17 for Friday and Saturday shows.

The Campus Center box office is open from noon to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and one hour prior to performances. To order tickets call 823-1109.

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You'll laugh with this *Hay Fever*

Otterbein College Summer Theater will perform the comedy *Hay Fever* on July 20-23 and 27-30. Pictured are members of the play in a rehearsal. Tickets are \$14 for Wednesday and Sunday shows, \$15 for Thursday shows and \$17 for Friday and Saturday shows. Sunday matinees are at 2 p.m. and all other performances are at 8 p.m. All per-

formances are at the Campus Center Theater on 100 W. Home Street, Westerville. For more information, call (614) 823-1109.

Otterbein College's Host Family Program is looking for local residents interested in hosting an Otterbein international student for the 2000-2001 school year. For more information call (614) 823-1312.