

# 'I do! I do!' opens

The Otterbein Summer Theatre will present "I Do! I Do!" June 29-July 2 and July 6-9 at 8:30 p.m. in the air-conditioned Otterbein Campus Center Arena Theatre.

Based on "The Fourposter" by Jan de Hartog, the musical comedy's book and lyrics are by Tom Jones with music by Harvey Schmidt.

"This is a cycle of life play," said Ed Vaughan, Otterbein theatre faculty member who will be directing the production. "All the joys and sorrows, the high points and low points of a long marriage will be depicted. It's brassy and bold, soft and touching, and always entertaining."

The play spans some 40 years in the life of a couple, Michael and Agnes, beginning with their wedding day and ending as they prepare to leave the home where they lived and raised their family.

Musical highlights include "I Do! I Do!," "My Cup Runneth Over," and "All the Dearly Beloved."

"It's a very intimate show," said Vaughan. "We're happy to have it in the arena theatre where the actors can share more directly with the audience."

Juli Armentrout, a 1983 Otterbein graduate, will play Agnes, and Brent Erdy, a senior, will play Michael.

Ms. Armentrout recently won the Gressman-Shultz Award at Otterbein, given annually to the outstanding senior theatre student. She has appeared in numerous productions at Otterbein including "Cinderella," "Irene," "The Sound of Music," and "Albert Herring."

Erdy, also a veteran of many Otterbein productions, recently was named recipient of the college's first Marcus Smythe Award, given to an outstanding junior acting student with definite career goals.

Erdy's roles have included leads in "Private Lives," "Abelard and Heloise," and "The Sound of Music."

Joanne VanSant, Otterbein's Vice President for Student Affairs, will choreograph the production.

Lynn Hurstad, the college's director of choral and vocal activities, will serve as musical director.

Fred Thayer, Otterbein College Theatre's designer and technical director, will design the sets.

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Tickets to "I Do! I Do!" are available at the Campus Center box office, 890-3028, 12:30 to 9 p.m. weekdays and for one hour prior to the performance at the door.



## WEEKEND PLANNER



Dispatch photo by Craig Holman

**Juli Armentrout, left, and Brent Erdy in a scene from *I Do! I Do!*  
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## *Married life relived*

Juli Armentrout and Brent Erdy play a married couple coping with the joys and sorrows of life together over a 40-year period in the Otterbein College Summer Theatre production of the *I Do! I Do!*, set for today (Wednesday), Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and July 6-9 at 8:30 p.m. in the Campus Center Arena Theatre. Tickets are available at the Campus Center box office, 890-3028, from 12:30 to 9 p.m. weekdays and for one hour preceding each performance at the door.

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