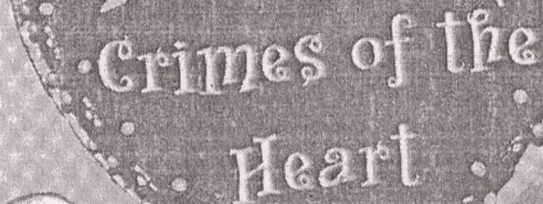


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Crimes of the Heart

By Beth Henley

July 14 - 24, 2005

Campus Center Theatre

100 W Home St.

Westerville

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In brief

OC Theatre presents 'Crimes'

Otterbein Summer Theatre will continue its season with "Crimes of the Heart," a comedy/drama by Beth Henley, July 14-17 and 20-24.

The story is centered on three sisters in Mississippi who await the impending news of their grandfather's demise, while each battles their own tragi-comic demons. Lenny, the oldest sister, is unmarried at 30 and facing diminishing marital prospects; Meg, the middle sister, who quickly outgrew Hazlehurst, is back after a failed singing career on the West Coast; while Babe, the youngest, is out on bail after shooting her husband in the stomach.

Individual tickets for "Crimes of the Heart" are \$18.

The box office is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and one hour prior to performances. The box office will be closed on Mondays.

Tickets can be purchased by calling (614) 823-1109. The Otterbein Summer Theatre Box Office is located in the lower level of the Campus Center, 100 W. Home St., Westerville.

The opening night performance begins at 7:30 p.m. Sunday matinees begin at 2 p.m. and all other performances start at 8 p.m.

For more information, contact Otterbein Summer Theatre at (614) 823-1109.

Grace Chapel plans patriotic pageant

Grace Community Chapel will present "An American Journey," a patriotic pageant, at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 16, at the church, 7798 Big Walnut Road.

The centerpiece of the event will be the Living Flag.

Admission is \$5. For more information, call (614) 891-1157 or visit www.gracechapel.us.

Liberty Township pioneer honored

Seth Case, an 1810 Delaware County pioneer, will be honored at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 23, in the Liberty Presbyterian Church Cemetery, 7080 Olentangy River Road.

A ceremony will be held at a memorial grave maker for Case, a Revolutionary War patriot.

Case came to Delaware in 1810 and purchased 300 acres of land in southeast Liberty Township.

Case was a member of the Union Land Company, a group of 26 men from Simsbury, Conn., who purchased 4,000 acres of land for \$2 an acre in 1806. The land was in the

Olentangy River Valley in the southeastern section of Liberty Township in Delaware County.

Case died in Liberty Township on June 4, 1813, at the age of 63 of "a fit of apoplexy," which caused a crippling stroke.

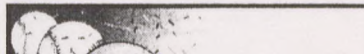
The place where he was originally buried by his family was on a farm north of Powell Road that is believed to be a subdivision now.

An Ohio Historical Marker was placed in Highbanks Metro Park in 2004 to honor the Case family and the Union Land Company, and to recognize the significance of Olentangy River Road in the development of this section of Liberty Township.

Pollution prevention topic of kids' program

An educational program for children ages 4 -8 will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, July 15, at Whetstone Park of Roses.

"Robbie's Road Show" will educate children about pollution prevention and teach about the local environment. For more information or to register, call Kathy at 267-3386 or e-mail Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed at flow2004@sbc-global.net.



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SISTER ACT: "CRIMES OF THE HEART"

The three MaGrath sisters reunite at their Hazelhurst, Mississippi, home to await the imminent death of their grandfather and recall the suicide of their mother. Eldest sister Lenny sees her prospects for marriage to be as shriveled as the ovary that prevents her from having children. Glamorous middle sister Meg returns from Hollywood, her singing career equally shriveled. Youngest sister Babe has just put a bullet in the belly of her abusive big-shot state senator of a husband because "I didn't like his looks."

In spite and partly because of all that, though, Beth Henley's *Crimes of the Heart* is a comedy, winner of the 1981 Pulitzer for drama. Director Doreen Dunn and the Otterbein Summer Theatre cast emphasize the humor as they downplay the underlying anguish. Most impressive, in the least flashy part, is Elizabeth Daniels as Lenny, cleaning up both the literal and figurative messes made by others. Molly Camp plays the spoiled Meg with a haughtiness and sense of irresponsibility that occasionally hints at her self-disappointment. Beth Triffon gives Babe more than simple wide-eyed innocence, suggesting both giddiness and growth through her expressive face. Together, they bring out Henley's laughs and make Otterbein's production worth a look.

Crimes of the Heart continues in Otterbein's Campus Center Theatre through July 24. Call 823-1109 or click to otterbein.edu for info.

—JAY WEITZ