Theatre Guild Valdosta 2003 - 2004



based on a story and characters by Damon Runyon September 4-7, 11-13



by Norman C. Ahearn, Jr. & Yvonne Ahearn December 5-7



October 30-31, November 1-2, 6-8



by Anthony Marriott & Alistair Foot January 29-31, February 1, 5-7



Based upon the story by C.S. Lewis Dramatized by Joseph Robinette March 19-21



by Robert Harling May 6-9, 13-15





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presents



Oct. 30-31, Nov. 1-2, 6-8, 2003

Directed by Mary Ann Green

All performances at 8:00 pm except Sunday, November 2 at 2:30 pm
Tickets - \$10

Special ticket price for all Moody personnel, police, and firefighters - 2 tickets for \$10 Sunday performance ONLY

Dinner theater: Thursday, October 30 and Thursday, November 6 at 6:45 pm \$15 in addition to show ticket

RESERVATIONS 24-STAGE 247-8243

The 'Dosta Playhouse 122 N. Ashley St. P. O. Box 2831 Valdosta, GA 31604 www.valdostasells.com click on TGV



CAST IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE:

Dr. Watson Michael Brogdon

Sherlock Holmes Rick Patrick

Mrs. Hudson Linda Stikkel

Liza Jody Leonard

Inspector Lestrade Ray Lambert

Sherlock Holmes Look-Alike Patrick E. LaMar

Damion Leonard Ferguson

CREW

Director Mary Ann Green

Assistant Director Mike Glasscock

Producer Jack Pruden

Stage Manager Brenda Carter

Assistant Stage Manager Nicole Robinson
Revolve Design/Construction Mike Glasscock, Jerry Ellis, Scott Lovern,

Della Prettyman, Mary Ann Green, Ray Lambert, Segal Owens, Michael Brogdon

Props Brenda Carter, Mark Daugherty, Linda Stikkel,

Diane Tovar, Genevieve Melder

Costumes Pauline Player

Make-Up Joey Delk, Pauline Player

Light Design Scott Lovern, Kimber Lovern

Light Technician Kimber Lovern

Sound Technician Jill Lovern

Set Construction

Revolve Technicians Gary Chapman, Nicole Robinson, Mark Smith

Set Concept/Design Mike Glasscock, Mary Ann Green

Set Dressing Peter Van Horn, Jody Leonard, Linda Stikkel,

Brenda Carter, Mary Ann Green

Jerry Ellis, Mike Glasscock, Mary Ann Green, Della Prettyman, Scott Lovern, Ray Lambert, Jody Leonard, Mark Smith, Michael Brogdon, Jack & Marge Pruden, Fred Stikkel, Linda Stikkel, Rick Patrick, Peter Van Horn, Mary Helen Watson, Jill Lovern, Nicole Robinson,

Scott Wolfolk

Publicity/Showcase Jill Lovern, Joanne Griner, Jack Pruden



Scene 2

Scene 3

Sherlock's Last Case

Sherlock's Last Case is a plot-twisting, amusing play, long on witticisms from Sherlock Holmes such as "The good that men do lives after them. The evil is oft interred in their bones. I find Shakespeare so much more amusing in reverse." And Holmes' put-downs of Dr. Watson are infamous . . "If all the timber in the North American continent were laid end to end, it would never ever begin to bridge the gap between my insights, Watson, and your perceptions."

Sherlock's Last Case, picking up where the famous stories end, centers on a death threat against Sherlock Holmes by the supposed son of his late nemesis, Professor Moriarty. Oddly enough, however, Holmes is warned of the plot by Moriarty's daughter Liza, to whom Holmes (who turns out to be quite a ladies man) is strongly attracted. The plot then twists and turns until Holmes finds himself imprisoned in a dank cellar. In sorting all this out the play mixes humor and suspense in equal amounts, leading to a stunning final twist.

SCENES

Act I	
Scene 1	The Baker Street Flat - A September afternoon, 1897
Scene 2	The Baker Street Flat - A day later
Scene 3	The Baker Street Flat - A week later
Scene 4	A cellar – Later that evening
	~INTERMISSION~
Act II	
Scene 1	The Baker Street Flat - An afternoon, 18 months later

A cellar - Later that same evening

The Baker Street Flat - A November afternoon, 1899

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

In past productions that I have directed for TGV, I have always "passed" on the opportunity to contribute to this space in the program. I have always felt that the production spoke all that needed to be said. But not this time.

I am compelled to pay public tribute to a group of people who have come to be referred to by me as "the believers." These individuals made possible the unique set of *Sherlock's Last Case* by constructing THE REVOLVE. They believed when this director said "it had to be done," and they continued to believe even through multiple design revisions. They demonstrated that belief by giving up their evenings at home to spend them here in the theater; by rolling up their sleeves, even while scratching their heads, and just plain getting the job done – and in a remarkable six days!

So I dedicate this show to you, "the believers," and I say with deepest gratitude that it is always my privilege to work with you. The tears that spilled from my eyes that Saturday afternoon came from a heart filled to overflowing with knowledge of and acknowledgement of your selfless contributions.

~Mary Ann



WHO'S WHO

MICHAEL BROGDON Doctor Watson Michael is delighted to be returning to the TGV stage. Previous roles include Oscar Madison in *The Odd Couple*, Brick in *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* and Mr. Roat in *Wait Until Dark*. Michael will be directing TGV's spring production of *Steel Magnolias* and he wishes to invite anyone interested in auditioning to come on down. TGV is always looking for new blood.

LEONARD FERGUSON Damion Leonard has no previous experience on stage, but we believe you will be surprised and delighted by his performance.

MIKE GLASSCOCK Assistant Director "Will you assist if I direct?" Mary Ann asked. Mike saw a great opportunity and gives thanks all around for letting him play again. Mike welcomes everyone to share his passion for theater. On stage and off, TGV has been home and family for his entire family starting in a children's show, then a musical and most recently, a Rosie award for his role as Teddy in last season's Arsenic and Old Lace. Then he topped that with the John Youmans Service Award for doing what he loves, service to TGV above and beyond. It is his hope that you enjoy the show as much as he does.

MARY ANN GREEN Director Mary Ann has been involved in every area of TGV, both onstage and off. She has directed past TGV productions including Little Shop of Horrors, Out of Order, Kiss Me Kate, Run for Your Wife, All My Sons, Brighton Beach Memoirs, You Can't Take it With You, and the premier show in the 'Dosta Playhouse, All the Way Home. Acting roles include Mama Rose in Gypsy, Betty in The Foreigner, Charlotte Haye in Moon Over Buffalo, Eleanor in The Lion in Winter, Helene in Alone Together, Katy Cooper in Finishing Touches, Domina in A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum and the Reverend Mother in TGV's first production of Nunsense. Mary Ann is indeed thankful and grateful for another opportunity to do what she loves.

PATRICK LAMAR Sherlock Look-A-Like Another TGV newcomer, Patrick has been in productions in Madison, FL. Although it has been several years since he "trod the boards" there, we learned very quickly that his skills were anything but rusty.

RAY LAMBERT Inspector Lestrade After playing Lieutenant Rooney in Arsenic and Old Lace, and Lieutenant Brannigan in Guys & Dolls, Ray finally makes it to the big league – Scotland Yard, as an inspector, no less. Surrounded by Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson, life for an inspector cannot get any better. Enjoy the show!

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JODY LEONARD Liza Moriarty Jody moved to Valdosta two years ago with her Air Force husband Dave, and two fabulous children, Jilli and Eli. This is her second theater and TGV production. She enjoyed singing and dancing in Guys and Dolls, and is now discovering the joys (and terrors!) of having more than one line of dialogue while on stage. Thank you to the cast and crew for their help and encouragement, especially the dynamic duo of Mike and Mary Ann. "I hope you enjoy the show!"

RICK PATRICK Sherlock Holmes This marks Rick's 29th show with TGV. Some favorite roles over the years include Elwood P. Dowd in Harvey, Capt. von Trapp in The Sound of Music, Will Stockdale in No Time for Sergeants, and most recently Big Jule in Guys & Dolls. Special thanks to a wonderful cast and to Mary Ann for talking him into reading the show "one more time."

ten years. You'll find her mostly working backstage, in the box office, or on the Board of Directors. She has directed several productions including Wait Until Dark, Arsenic and Old Lace, No Time for Sergeants, and Company. Her past performances include appearances in Tom Sawyer, The Little Princess, Something's Afoot, and Proposals. Thanks to Mary Ann for allowing her the chance to have fun with such a great character.

The cast and crew of Sherlock's Last Case wish to extend many thanks for the following contributions to our show:

R. D. (Rat) Braun for the "Le Frontenac" chair Doctors Laboratory, Inc.
Farmer's Furniture (writing desk)
Tokyo Wigs

Logan Henderson for the shoulder holsters Valdosta Greeting Service for promotion to Valdosta newcomers.

The Bistro Restaurant and Miller Hardware for the ice Radio stations: Mix 96, Rock 108, C-93, Magic 95. Star 105.3 & Hot 102.7

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Valdosta Magazine

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Lowndes High School – Mary McRee Lowndes Middle School - Sam Clemons, Sue Vannorwick Valwood School – Jan Schert

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Thank You Very Much

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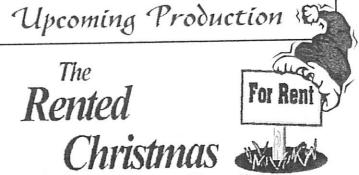
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The Board of Directors meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the 'Dosta Playhouse. A general membership meeting follows at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are open to the public.



By Norman C. Ahearn, Jr. & Yvonne Ahearn .
Produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc.,

December 5 - 7, 2003

John Dale hasn't enjoyed a "real Christmas" for years. So, on the spur of the moment, he decides to "rent" a Christmas from Anne Weston, who owns the local rent shop. Anne is at first flustered with the requirements: a tree with presents, Christmas carols and also a wife and five children! Based on the short story by J. Lillian Vandervere, John Dale's rented Christmas turns into a new life for all concerned and makes this a warm story for the holiday season.

Children's Christmas Play directed by Tammie Glasscock For more info call Tammie @ 253-0424

Theatre Guild Valdosta Foundation

701 N. Patterson, Valdosta, GA 31601

Congratulations to the newly launched Theatre Guild Valdosta Foundation (TGVF), created to allow the Guild members to create plays. The Guild contributes thousands of volunteer hours, which leaves little time for fund raising. The Foundation is raising funds to maintain the historic, downtown buildings occupied by TGV.



Currently serving on the Foundation are members: Electa Ricket, Mike Dover, John Fretti, Keven Davis, and Kay Jennett.

For further information contact Electa Ricket @ 244-8582

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The Visit by Friedrich Durrenmatt November 13-19, 2003

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Beauty and the Beast February 6, 7, 27, 28, 2004

Tartuffe by Moliere February 19-25, 2004

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April 22-28, 2004

Reservations: 333-5973 (2-5 p.m., Mon-Sqt)



ANNETTE HOWELL TURNER CENTER FOR THE ARTS presents:

Monday, January 12, 2004 Titanic - The Musical

Thursday, March 4, 2004 St. Petersburg Russian Ballet

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Gallery: 527 N. Patterson St., Valdosta, GA 31601 Gallery Hours: Mon-Thurs 10:00 - 6:00 Fri-Sat 10:00 - 4:00, Sun 1:00 - 4:00

229-247-ARTS (2787) website: www.lvac.org



History

TGV was organized in 1989 through the efforts of the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission as an autonomous community theater group with non-profit tax-exempt status. After three years as a group of vagabond players with no home, the group purchased the old 'Dosta Theatre building in 1992 and set about converting the dilapidated movie theatre into a playhouse for live stage performances.

Thanks to many supporters and one large benefactor, TGV now owns three adjoining buildings in historic downtown Valdosta, performs four main stage shows and two children's shows each year. All of this is done in order to provide a high quality theater experience to as diverse an audience and group of participants as possible.

Membership Info

Please consider becoming a member to support your community theatre. We couldn't do it without you. Membership keeps you informed of play dates, board meetings, auditions, play selections, newsletter, and you get to vote on play selection.

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\$15 (individual) \$25 (family)
\$32
\$35
\$10
\$12
\$3 & \$5
247-9850

Dinner Theater

TGV provides dinner for your enjoyment on the two Thursday nights of each show. Reservations must be made and paid for in advance by the Tuesday before your reservation. Dinner is buffet style catered by Covington's and is served by 6:45 p.m. BYOB

Seating is limited so please make your reservations early.

Call our answering service 24-STAGE (247-8243) for reservations or call during our box office hours:

5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Monday - Friday the week before opening

Cost of dinner \$15.00 Cost of musical ticket \$12.00 Cost of regular show ticket \$10.00

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Ever had that secret desire to be on-stage? Join us for play reading -- a starting point and opening door to the magic of theater. No pressure - just fun.

Tuesdays 2:00 - 4:00 pm Senior Citizens Center - 1360 East Park Avenue Moderator -Jack Pruden, Theatre Guild Valdosta For more info contact Gayle Crosby 259-5469



Children Get in On The Acting

Twice yearly, TGV invites children to get in on the act. We choose great plays in which the children are the stars, not only on-stage, but back stage as well. We encourage them to perform and learn all aspects of the theater. Parents get involved with their children and it becomes a family adventure. Parents can audition alongside their children! Visit our website for audition information and look in the Goings On section in the Valdosta Daily Times.