

STAGE RIGHT

Rings in the Holidays with hilarious *Christmas Belles*

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The cast of *Christmas Belles* hopes you join them in Fayro this Christmas

STAGE RIGHT of Texas, resident theatre company at the historic Crighton Theatre will ring in the holidays with laughter with their production of *Christmas Belles*. Back by popular demand, this will be the third time this hilarious southern fried comedy will be brought to the Crighton stage. Written by Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope and Jamie Wooten

- the same talented trio of playwrights that penned STAGE RIGHT audience favorites *The Dixie Swim Club*, *Mama Won't Fly* and *The Red Velvet Cake War* - *Christmas Belles* is laugh out loud funny but also contains the true meaning of Christmas. Come see the antics of the Futrelles of Fayro Texas as they put together a church Christmas program.

Along the way they encounter family secrets, squabbling sisters, a vengeful sheep, a surly Santa and a reluctant Elvis impersonator!

Director Jim Bingham has assembled a cast that combines original cast members with talented newcomers. Hot-flash suffering Honey-Raye Futrelle will again be played by STAGE RIGHT regular and founder of Bravo



Wendy Albright as Patsy Price with Steve Murphree as Raynerd

Company (our theatre education wing) Amy Sowers. Amy was seen last season as the hyper organized Sheree in *The Dixie Swim Club*. Returning as Honey-Raye's younger sister Frankie Futrelle Dubberly, who is weeks overdue with her second set of twins, will be Maria Sirgo. Marie was last seen on the Crighton stage as Veta Louise Simmons in *Harvey*. Frankie's kidney stone suffering husband Dub will be played by Katt Gilcrease. STAGE RIGHT audiences may remember Katt as having performed the role of Will Stockdale in our production of *No Time For Sergeants*. STAGE RIGHT Artistic



Carolyn Wong as Geneva locking horns with Amy Sowers as Honey Raye

Director, Carolyn Wong, will be returning to the boards as Geneva Musgrave the feisty owner of BookKoo Bo Kay (Fayro's premier and only floral shop and Greyhound Bus depot). Carolyn recently won a Montie Award as Best Actress in a Play for her portrayal

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STAGE RIGHT At the historic Crighton Theatre in downtown Conroe

Christmas Belles

By
 Jessie Jones,
 Nicholas Hope &
 Jamie Wooten

December 4 - 20, 2015

A church Christmas program spins hilariously out of control in this Southern farce about squabbling sisters, family secrets, a surly Santa, a vengeful sheep, and a reluctant Elvis impersonator.

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Amy Sowers as Honey Raye with Melody Montez as Rhonda Lynn

of martini swilling lawyer Dinah Grayson in *The Dixie Swim Club*. Described as a 'walkin' talkin' happy pill' Rhonda-Lynn Lampley, owner of Fayro's Dairy Dog café, will again be played by Melody Montez. Melody was last seen in *The Trip to Bountiful* as the overbearing Jessie Mae Watts. Newcomers to Fayro include Jennifer Marshall as jailbird Twink Fu-

trele. Jennifer was just seen in *On Golden Pond* as the daffy switchboard operator and as hard-luck case Vernadette in last season's *The Dixie Swim Club*. Will Elvis be making an appearance in Fayro's church Christmas pageant? You bet, Fayro Deputy Sheriff John Curtis Buntner will be played by the talented Allen Dorris. Allen was last seen on the



Elf Adam O'Connor shares a laugh with Katt Gilcrease



Josh Sandros as Justin with kidney stone suffering Dub played by Katt Gilcrease

Crighton stage as Charlie the mailman in *On Golden Pond* and was in the second show produced by STAGE RIGHT at the Crighton; *Love Letters*. Playing the snooty Patsy Price will be Wendy Albright. Wendy recently won

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Katt Gilcrease as Dub with Maria Sirgo as Frankie

a Montie Award as Best Featured Actress in a Play for her portrayal of Mrs. Armstrong in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. Dairy Dog fry cook Raynerd Chisum will be played by Steve Murphree. Steve was last on the Crighton stage as the big bad Wolf in *Shrek-The Musical*. Interim pastor Justin Waverly will be played by Josh Sandros. Josh was last seen in *Singin' in the Rain* as Rod the publicity man. The object of Justin's affections, Gina Jo Dubberly, will be played by Tara Sumner. Tara was last seen in our production of *Annie*.

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Come to Fayro for a laugh-out-loud Christmas show and also remember, as the folks of Fayro do, what Christmas is all about. Before you come to the show, please pick up a gift for needy 'seasoned citizens'. The hol-



Jennifer Marshall as Twink with Allen Dorris as Deputy Buntner

idays can be a lonely time for seniors with the focus so often on kids so we are asking our patrons to bring an unwrapped gift for seniors that we will donate to the Salvation Army. We collected 3 large moving boxes full of gifts last year and hope to overwhelm the Salvation Army again this year. Gift items could be personal care items, soaps, denture care, shampoo, blankets, socks, slippers, pajamas, reading glasses, etc. Let's make this Christmas a joyous one for those of all ages.



Josh Sandros as Justin with Tara Sumner as Gina Jo

Show Dates & Ticket Information:

December 4-20, Friday & Saturday nights at 8 pm and three Sunday matinees on December 6, 13 and 20 at 2 pm. Tickets can be purchased online at www.stage-right.org or by calling the Crighton Theatre box office at 936-441-SHOW (7469). Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors and groups of 12 persons or more, \$15 for youth 16 and under and for senior groups of 12 or more persons. The historic Crighton Theatre is located at 234 N. Main St. in downtown Conroe.

We hope to see you and yours in Fayro this Christmas! ♦

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