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By Doc Fennessy

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"This September STAGE RIGHT will be celebrating its sixth season at the historic Crighton Theatre! The board of directors wishes to thank our patrons and especially our season subscribers for their support. Our pursuit of providing affordable high quality entertainment on the Crighton stage over these past five years of economic upheaval would not have been successful without you. We are excited to announce our 2013-2014 'SEASON OF NOSTALGIA'. We have picked 5 shows sure to delight and captivate all ages, and, as is our mantra; our shows got nuthin' you would be ashamed to take yer grandma to. Once you see the blockbuster season of 'step-back-in-time' favorites we've got planned we hope you'll be convinced to buy season tickets, and get them for grandma and grandpa too!" - (Producer Carolyn Corsano Wong).

Stage Right of Texas theatrical troupe opens their season on Friday, September 6th with a schedule of contemporary classic hits to satisfy everyone. The season tickets offer you reserved seats in the Crown Jewel of the Montgomery County for all shows. Additionally, they include your seats reserved in advanced for the next 2014-2015 next season; complimentary ticket exchange for different nights; over 20% discount on tickets; one (1) free "Friends of a Subscriber" ticket to one show and your name in every program. Season tickets for all five shows are only \$80.00. What a great deal that is. Folks, there's no need to fight traffic to go into downtown Houston for quality entertainment. The historic Crighton is located at 234 N. Main in downtown Conroe. There's no need to fight traffic to go into downtown Houston for quality entertainment. The

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For all individual shows or prorated season tickets; tickets are at reasonable family and group prices and are now available by calling Ticket Manager Kim Kelly daily in the theatre Box-office between 3:00 & 6:00 p.m. at: (936) 441-7469 - OR on line at: {www.crightontheatre.org}.

SEPTEMBER 6th - "ARSENIC & OLD LACE" - By Joseph Kesselring with Brenda Storseth up in the Director's Chair. The show runs every Friday & Saturday until September 22nd with 2:00 p.m. Sunday Matinees on September 15th & 22nd. The play, a clever combination of the farcical and the macabre, centers on two elderly sisters who are famous in Brooklyn neighbor for their numerous acts of charity. Unfortunately, however, their charity acts includes poisoning lonely old men who come to their hone looking for lodging. The two women are assisted in their crime by their mentally challenged nephew who believes he is Teddy Roosevelt and frequently blasts a bugle and yells "charge" as he bounds up the stairs. Matters get complicated when a second nephew, a theater critic discovers the murders and a third nephew appears after having just escaped from a mental institution. The show stars and stars Leona Hoegsberg (the evil Stepmother from our production of Cinderella), Carolyn Corsano Wong (who took a flying leap as the Wicked Witch in The Wizard of Oz) as the Brewster sisters and Katt Gilcrease (who was the loveable Tin Man in The Wizard of Oz) as their evil nephew Jonathan. Homicide has never been more humorous. And you thought your family had issues!

DECEMBER 6TH - "A CHRISTMAS STORY" - by Jean Shepherd and the show is directed by Melody Dixon

Montez. The show runs every Friday & Saturday until December 22nd with 2:00 p.m. Sunday Matinees on December 15th & 22nd. Christmas is time of great expectations, through the eyes of a child. For nine-year-old Raphie Parker that great expectation is a genuine Red Ryder 200 shot Carbine Action Air Rifle. No self-respecting cowboy would be without one. Unfortunately, his mom, teacher and even Santa Claus toiling away at Goldblatt's Department Store share the same reaction to his Christmas wish: "You'll shoot your eye out!" The traditional Christmas theme show is based on the book by humorist Jean Shepherd and adapted for the stage by Philip Grecian and the play has all the scenes you've come to love in the movie, the flagpole, the bunny suit and the infamous lamp!

FEBRUARY 14th, 2014 - "ANYTHING GOES!" - By Bolton, Wodehouse, Lindsay & Crouse with the show being directed by the "tap dance kid" himself; Randy Bianchi. Get ready folks.; they are dusting off the dance shoes now! The show runs every Friday & Saturday from Friday February 14th until Sunday, March 2nd with 2:00 p.m. Sunday Matinees on February 23rd and March 2nd. Producer Carolyn Corsano Wong indicated that, "During the month of February STAGE RIGHT will present the Cole Porter classic musical comedy Anything Goes". The age-old tale of Boy-Meets-Girl and the complications which ensue intrigue every audience, and no musical puts it on stage better than Anything Goes. An evangelist-turned-nightclub singer, a lovelorn stockbroker wooing a lovely debutante, the debutante's British lord fiancé, and a gangster disguised as a minister all turn up on a luxury cruise liner to sing, dance and romance. This show's amusing story is wrapped around one of Cole Porter's magical scores include a fantastic array of classical favorites such as: "It's

De-Lovely," "Friendship," "I Get A Kick Out Of You," "All Through The Night," "Anything Goes," "You're The Top," "Blow, Gabriel, Blow" and "Easy To Love". WOW!!! It's a wonder that all the romances are sorted out and disaster is averted aboard the magical ship where "ANYTHING GOES!"

APRIL 18TH - "DRIVING MISS DAISY" - By Alfred Uhry and the highly experienced theatrical veteran Jim Walker will be up in the Director's Chair for this Pulitzer Prize-winning timeless American play, which inspired the beloved Academy Award-winning film. The show runs every Friday & Saturday from Friday, April 18th until Sunday, May 4th with 2:00 p.m. Sunday Matinees on April 27th & May 4th. This show is a sparkingly funny and irresistibly heart-warming play. DRIVING MISS DAISY is the charming, poignant and utterly compelling tale of the unlikely, long-lasting friendship that blossoms between a prickly, elderly Southern Jewess matriarch and her kind-hearted African-American chauffeur, Hoke. As the wheels turn and the decades roll by against a backdrop of prejudice, inequality and civil unrest, the pair slowly transcends their differences and ultimately grow to rely on each other far more than either of them ever expected.

JULY 13TH - "HAIRSPRAY" - By O'Donnell & Meehan, Music by Marc Shaiman and Lyrics by Shaiman & Wittman with Director Penny Andros producing a really authentic audience pleasing welcome to the 1960s. Folks, this is a high-energy and uplifting show [based on the now classic film] that won coveted "TONY" award as Broadway's "The Best Musical for 2003". The show runs every Friday & Saturday from Friday, July 13th until Sunday, July 27th with 2:00 p.m. Sunday Matinees on July 13th & 27th. Producer Carolyn Corsano Wong sings out the praises for




Steve & Carolyn Corsano Wong created the "STAGE RIGHT OF TEXAS" theatrical troupe six years ago to replace The Crighton Players as the Crighton Theatre's Resident Theatrical Company. The quality of their classic Broadway and original productions have received on-going rave notices as their audiences and season ticket holders grow in dramatic appreciative numbers.

this wonderful season that should pack the historic Crighton Theatre for every show when she says; "We will round out our Season Nostalgia in July of 2014 with Hairspray. Its 1962, the world is spinning out of control...but all Tracy Turnblad wants to do is dance. When she wins a coveted spot on "The Corny Collins Show," Baltimore's most popular teen dance program, the high school loser with the big heart, big personality and big hair proves everyone wrong and becomes a local TV celebrity. It seems like Tracy will have it all - the eye of heartthrob Link Larkin, the Miss Teenage Hairspray crown, even a modeling gig with Mr. Pinky's Hefty Hideaway. But is segregated Baltimore ready to embrace her demand for racial integration? And will her larger-than-life mother ever

leave the house? The New York Times proclaimed the Tony Award winning show: "Stocked with deliriously tuneful songs...Hairspray is as sweet as a show can be without promoting tooth decay."

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