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Stage Right of Texas Had A Packed House For The Opening of - THE CAROL BURNETT SHOW".

By Doc Fennessy

Producers Carolyn and Steven Wong of Stage Right of Texas opened their production of "THE CAROL BURNETT SHOW" on Friday evening April 20th at the historic Crighton Theatre in Conroe. The show runs every weekend until Sunday May 6th with 2:00 p.m. Sunday Matinees on April 29th & May 6th. Tickets are at reasonable family and group prices and 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}.

All of the performers did an excellent job of performing some wacky roles and the magnitude of names, and skits they were in for space for newsprint. The show starts

slow but gains momentum as it progresses into the second act and then all wild hell breaks loose when they all get into the Finale Act of "Went With The Wind!!!" But Vocalist Yvonne Nelson put on a powerful performance as legendary singer Ethel Merman, while Meredith Zaritski was very effective in her impersonation of Carol Burnett. Choreographer/dancer Angela Myers Graves and her glamorous Famous Walden Follies chorus girls, Lynn Winkler, Beverly Blair and Lorraine Counts received loud and enthusiastic applause for the several skits they were in; especially "The Hot Box Girl" skit where the incomparable actress/comedienne Carolyn Wong brought down the house in thunderous belly laughter as she auditioned for a part in

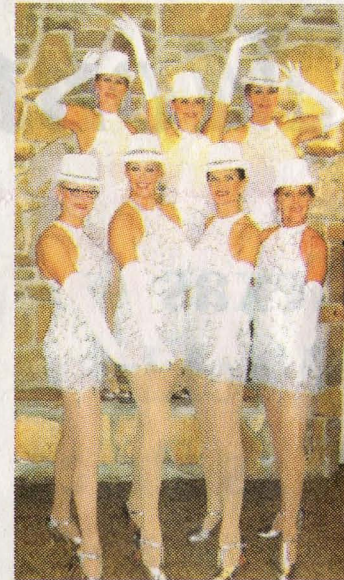
Angela Myers Graves glamorous and high kicking chorus line. Carolyn played so many parts in such a humorous manner that in a sense "She stole the show!"-to the delight of both the cast and audience.!

This is a humorous satirical imitation of the original show attribute to the original cast of Carol Burnett, Vickie Lawrence, the incomparable Tim Conway, Harvey, Lyle and many others. "They developed such great friendships that they truly became a family - a hysterically dysfunctional family, but a family none the less. While the television cast had months [10-years] to foster that closeness, the actors in this production have had to come up with their own of family. Each individual actor having to

find their place within the quirky family of this production." - {Director Sam Martinez}. And find their place indeed, since this is a big cast and each actor, singer, dancer and impersonator had a multiplicity of roles to perform with over hundreds of costumes changes in tight time frames. Costumer Kathleen Zaritski had to acquire, design, create and make over 150 costumes for this production. Director Sam Martinez continues to do an exemplary job every time he sits in the Director's Chair, and his theatrical experience and tireless effort are always obvious.

Folks this is a real fun night out on the town for some 2 1/2 hours of wholesome entertainment at very reasonable family prices. It is

Pictured to the Right: Choreographer/Professional Award Winning Dancer Angela Myers Graves and members of her Famous Walden Follies Ladies Kickline received huge applause as they performed several times in the Stage Right of Texas's "THE CAROL BURNETT SHOW!" now being presented at the historic Crighton Theatre in Conroe.



an adult show merely because it is a "memory show" and children would not understand what is going on from the distant past. Tickets are at reasonable family and group prices and now available by calling Ticket Manager Kim Kelly daily in the theatre Box-

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