

In The Spotlight

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30th Anniversary Opens With Premiere of "Final Intrusion"



Playwright Paul Kluge of Chetek is bringing his drama/mystery/comedy, "Final Intrusion", to the Spotlighter stage to kick off the 30th anniversary season.

Crime takes no holiday, even on Memorial Day - even in a fresh little Upper Midwest town like Eau Claire, Wisconsin. An intruder finds his way into Estelle Goodrich's home and ultimately ends up dead on her living room floor. Who is he? Why was he there? How did he die? Did someone kill him? It will take a mighty fine detective to figure it all out.

In different ways, each character discovers his or her own truth by the end of Act II. Is justice served? Of course, although you may disagree. After all, truth depends on what you see and what you see depends on the truth in you. You, too, are a character; a character of your own truth.

The play is directed by Paul Kluge and the cast includes Pattye Miller as Estelle (homeowner), Terry Lee as The Intruder, Rosanna Rucinski as Haley (adult daughter), Shane Miller as Jason (adult son), Brittany Homer as Grace (cop), Jackson Liedl as Sam Ting (detective), John Hardin as John Reynolds (senior neighbor), Lory Bush as Helen Reynolds (senior neighbor) and Becky Splett as Gladys (Estelle's best friend).

Performances for this fun little play are Thursday, September 11 through Saturday, September 13, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, September 14 at 2:00 p.m.

The cost is \$10 for reserved tickets and \$11 at the door. Season ticket holders receive a \$1 discount. For questions or to reserve seats, call 537-9212 or E-mail barronspotlighters@gmail.com

Needed for "High Society" - Cast members

There are a few openings for both small and large roles in "High Society", our October musical. If you think you might be interested, call Spotlighter's office at 537-9212 or E-mail info@barronspotlighters.org

Awards Given At Banquet

On Saturday, June 14, 2008, Barron Spotlighters held its annual banquet and awards ceremony. The meal was cooked and served by the board of directors.

Award winners are:

Best show - "High School Musical" directed by Charlene Nordquist of Barron

Best male lead actor - Bob Rogers of Chetek as Juror #8 in "Twelve Angry Men".

Best female lead actor - Abby Wellens of Turtle Lake as Sharpay in "High School Musical"

Best Male Supporting actor - Shane Miller of Bloomer as Fred Booker in "A Christmas Cactus"

Best Female Supporting Actor - Lizzy Jutila of Barron as Kelsi in "High School Musical"

Best Actors in Minor Roles - Lindsey Lindberg of Barron as Cheerleader, McGregor Czynscon of Weyerhaeuser as Mongo/Jock and Josiah Madison of Chetek all in "High School Musical"

People's choice awards went to Abby Wellens of Turtle Lake as Sharpay in "High School Musical", Bill Koslofsky of Chetek as Juror #3 in "Twelve Angry Men" and Brittany Homer of Barron as Cactus O'Riley, Victor de la Garza of Barron as Ramon and Shane Miller of Bloomer as Fred Booker, all in "A Christmas Cactus".

Sarah Hogan was recognized as the 2008 recipient of Barron Spotlighters Maxine Wiesner Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$300.

Dean Coleman was awarded a special recognition plaque for extraordinary service of a community member.

Hogan wins scholarship

Sarah Hogan, a 2008 graduate of Barron High School, is this year's winner of the Barron Spotlighters 4th Annual Maxine Wiesner Memorial Scholarship. The \$300 scholarship was presented to her at Barron High School's Award Ceremony in May by Lara Haugen, winner of the 2007 scholarship.

Sarah has been an active Spotlighter throughout high school both on stage and behind the scenes. She is continuing that role as she attends UW-BC in Rice Lake.

Previous winners were Harmoni Jacobsen (2005), Tim Accola (2006) & Lara Haugen (2007).

Spotlighters Helping BACC to Buy New Curtains

The BACC has established a fund to replace the black curtains at the rear of the stage. Donations have been given and fundraisers such as Battle of the Bands have been held.

The Spotlighters Board of Directors has voted to donate the profits from the concessions at "Final Intrusion" to this fund. Please give generously so we can make a dream a reality.

HIGH SOCIETY COMING IN OCTOBER

The musical, *High Society*, directed by Jodie Swanson, will be performed on Spotlighters' stage beginning in mid-October. Watch newspapers and our website for more information.

Season Tickets on Sale

Don't forget to order your season tickets for Spotlighters 30th Anniversary Season. We have some special events planned for season ticket holders. Our first show of the season is "Final Intrusion", written by local playwright, Paul Kluge. It opens September 11 and runs through September 14. Although it isn't included in your season ticket price, season ticket holders will receive \$1.00 off.

Our 30th season begins officially with a musical, "High Society", based on the classic 1939 movie, "Philadelphia Story", starring Katherine Hepburn and Cary Grant. The show runs October 16-18 and 24-26. Following that play is "Prisoner of Second Avenue", a Neil Simon play and the first play that Spotlighters produced. Production dates are January 22-24, 30-31 & February 1. Our final show for the season is "Life With Father", which was originally filmed in 1947 starring Irene Dunne and Elizaeth Taylor. It runs April 16-18 and 24-26.

You won't want to miss our return to the "good old days" for fun and exciting productions.

To reserve your season ticket(s), complete and return the attached form to Barron Spotlighters, Inc., 800 Memorial Drive, Barron, WI 54812, call us at 537-9212 or E-mail us at tickets@barronspotlighters.org

_____ Adult tickets (3 shows) @ \$27 _____ Senior tickets (3 shows) @ \$25 _____ Child tickets (3 shows) @ \$22

Upon receipt of your order and payment, your season passes will be mailed to you.

Name _____ Address _____

Telephone # _____ E-mail address _____

