

# THE CUE SHEET

by the Fenton Village Players

## 2ECOND 2TAGE PREMIER

All In The Timing May 2 & 3 @ 7pm

REHEARSAL  
FOR  
MURDER

**C**ast announced...and then sworn to secrecy in this tantalizing mystery coming to the playhouse this June.

WFVP  
MAY 2014

**O**ur regular radio show returns this may with another blast-from-the-past lineup. Also featuring local guest musician for live music effects!

IMPROV  
WORKSHOP  
UPDATE

**W**hether you're a seasoned enthusiast of improvisational theatre or new to the craft, you don't want to miss this fun and useful workshop!

**THESE AND OTHER EXCITING STORIES INSIDE!**

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## WFVP RADIO RETURNS

SUNDAY, MAY 25 AT 2:00PM

Come join us at the Fenton Village Playhouse as we present another tribute to the Golden Age of Radio! Our next hour of radio theatre includes episodes of "Father Knows Best" and "Captain Midnight!"

Directed by Dan Squires, our cast includes the vocal talents of: Dan Squires, Rick Spangler, Sherie Smith, Jerry Flewelling,

Sandy Mascow, Amy Herman, and Sheila Kern.

We also have a guest musician from the Fenton Community Orchestra to provide live music effects for the show!

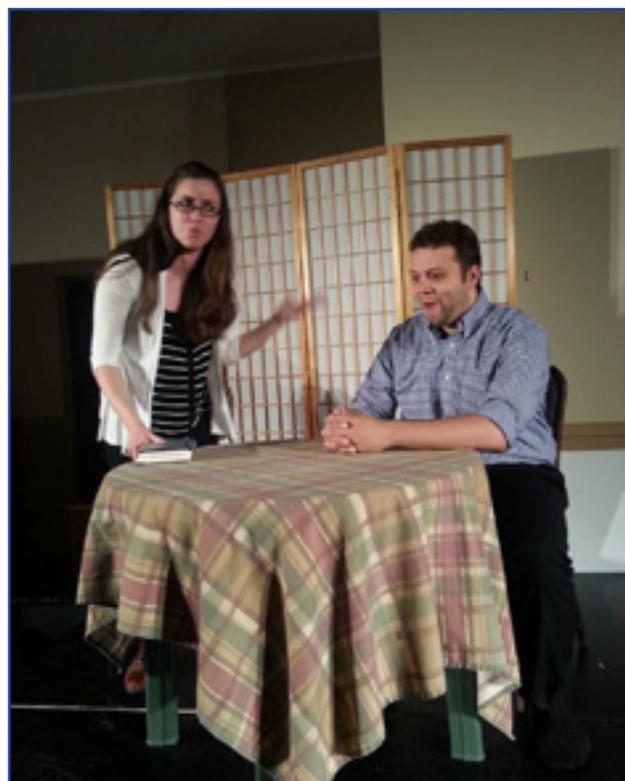
## 2ECOND 2TAGE PREMIER

by Rick Spangler

**ALL IN THE TIMING**  
**MAY 2 & 3 AT 7:00PM**

Fenton Village Players has added a second stage season to the theatre! Set in the activity room, this provides alternate shows in an intimate setting.

The purpose of 2econd 2tage is to produce shows that appeal to different demographics in our community. Generally designed to appeal to an adult audience and may include edgier content, built for smaller audiences. Intermissions for 2econd 2tage will include beer and wine consessions in addition to our regular fare.



The 2econd 2tage season will begin with All in the Timing, a collection of farcical one-acts. Performances are May 2 & 3 at 7pm, and will be presented by Jonathan Smith, Crystal Freeland, Isabelle Birt, Stevie Visser, Laura Legant, and Rick Spangler. (continued next pg)



## FUTURE 2COND 2TAGE SHOWS ARE:

- Grace and Glorie, June 20 & 21
- TBD, July 18 & 19
- Love Letters, August 29 & 30

2cond 2tage represents another facet of creativity and expression to be enjoyed by our audience and actors alike.

If you'd like to suggest future shows for consideration, or would like to be involved, please contact Laura Legant ([Laura@FentonVillagePlayers.org](mailto:Laura@FentonVillagePlayers.org)).

[FentonVillagePlayers.org/second-stage-shows-2014/](http://FentonVillagePlayers.org/second-stage-shows-2014/)

## FVP IMROV WORKSHOP

by Laura Legant

**MAY 8 TO 29, PERFORMANCE MAY 30 AT 7:00PM**

**Y**ou are invited to join us for four fun-filled improv classes on Thursdays, May 8-29 and a performance on Friday, May 30

Workshop participants will learn to improvise through theatre games and activities. Workshop will be loosely based on the guidelines of Viola Spolin, an influential teacher at Second City Improv. Special presenters include a local actors and directors.

On Friday, May 30 we will put these skills on display at "IMPROV at the PLAYHOUSE"; a performance that incorporates the audience suggestions using games and activities from the workshop. Tickets for the performance will be \$8 each. Beer and Wine will be available for \$4 glass.

Cost of the Workshop: \$40 for all four workshops, **FVP members only**, ages 18 and up.

Workshop registration available on our website, but hurry, limited availability!

[FentonVillagePlayers.org/get-involved/workshops/](http://FentonVillagePlayers.org/get-involved/workshops/)

## SWORN TO SECRECY REHEARSAL FOR MURDER

by Gary Smith

JUNE 5-8, 13-15



A classic “Who done it?” with several suspects, numerous plot twists and enough red herrings to keep even the most avid mystery fan guessing right up to the end.

The plot involves a group of people who attempt to stage a Broadway play only to have it fail, and the leading actress mysteriously commit suicide. One year later, at the bequest of the play’s author, the cast is reunited at the same — now deserted — theater where he tells the company that the actress — his fiance — did not commit suicide. Shockingly, he believes one of the former company is the murderer.

Through the use of flashback and scenes written by the playwright, the actors, producer, director and, yes, the playwright are brought back to the events before, after and during the actresses’ death to determine in a hat tip Hamlet. The plot is like an onion

with each layer bringing new and sometimes false revelations.

The time period is the 1980’s so it’s just enough modern to still be considered a period piece.

**The actors of “Rehearsal For Murder” are sworn to secrecy — the only way to find out who did it is to attend. The audience will be sworn to concealment as well.**

“Rehearsal For Murder” features a spectacular cast of both new and familiar faces for our FVP audiences including: Stevie Visser, Holly Myers, Daniel Ragan, Rachel Herman, Mary Smith Powers, Geno Essenmacher, Jerry Flewelling, Bobby Clark, Dale Radford, Jacob Hoffman, Amy Herman and Maggie Hodkin.

The director is Gary Smith and the Producer is Jill Ann Tomlin.

Tickets and times available online:  
[FentonVillagePlayers.org/rehearsal-for-murder/](http://FentonVillagePlayers.org/rehearsal-for-murder/)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**MAY 2, 3, FRI & SAT, 7 - 9PM**  
PERFORMANCE - All In The Timing  
Where: 2econd 2tage (Activity Room)

**MAY 6, TUE, 7 - 9PM**  
MEETING - Board of Directions  
Where: Activity Room

**MAY 8, 15, 22, 29, THURS, 7 - 8PM**  
WORKSHOPS - Improvisation  
Where: Activity Room

**MAY 25, SUN, 2 - 3PM**  
PERFORMANCE - WFVP  
Where: Main Stage

**MAY 26, MON, 1 - 2PM**  
MEETING - Building & Grounds  
Where: Activity Room

**MAY 30, FRI, 1 - 2PM**  
PERFORMANCE - Improv Night  
Where: Main Stage / Activity Room

*Please note that the following information is as it appeared on the FVP Calendar at the time of publication. It is possible, though unlikely, times may change. Please contact the FVP Office (810) 750-7700 to confirm times or visit our website [www.FentonVillagePlayers.org](http://www.FentonVillagePlayers.org)*

## FROM THE EDITOR

Over the following months this newsletter will continue to change and evolve. If you have any suggestions, praise, or ideas please contact the editor, Matthew Semrau, directly. His email address is [Matthew@FentonVillagePlayers.org](mailto:Matthew@FentonVillagePlayers.org)

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