

ENTERTAINMENT

# KMLT announces season plays

Kings Mountain Little Theatre announces its 2005-2006 season. Plays are "Guys and Dolls," "The Glass Menagerie" and "The Odd Couple."

Season tickets are now available. A single pass is \$20; the Friend of the Theatre, three season passes, is \$50; The Patron of the Theatre, four season passes, \$75; Pillar of the Theatre, 10 season passes, \$100; Cornerstone of the Theatre, 10 season passes and parking, \$250. Friends through Cornerstone receive recognition in each playbill.

KMLT season tickets also are honored at the Lincoln Theatre Guild, Greater Shelby Community Theatre and Rutherford Community Theatre.

For more information, visit [www.kmlt.org](http://www.kmlt.org) or call 704-730-9408.

Guys and Dolls plays Sept. 9 - 11, 16 and 17.

Runyon's mythical New York, this Broadway classic introduces the audience to colorful characters who have become legends in the canon: Sarah Brown, the upright but uptight "mission doll" out to reform the evildoers of Times Square; Sky Masterson, the slick, high-rolling gambler who woos

her on a bet and ends up falling in love; Adelaide, the nightclub performer whose chronic cold is brought on by the fact she's been engaged to the same man for 14 years; and Nathan Detroit, her devoted fiance, desperate as always to find a spot for his infamous floating crap game.

Everything works out in the end, thanks to the twists and turns of the hilarious, fast-paced book which takes the audience from Times Square to Havana to the sewers of Manhattan, with a bright, brassy immortal score that's also easy to sing.

The play is directed by Andy Neisler. "The Glass Menagerie" runs Feb. 17 to 19, 24 and 25.

The "Glass Menagerie" is a memory play drawn from the recollections of narrator Tom Wingfield. The play is set in St. Louis in 1937. Wingfield is an aspiring poet who toils in a shoe warehouse to support his mother Amanda and sister Laura.

Tom and Laura's father ran off years ago and except for one postcard, has not been heard from since. Amanda, from a genteel Southern family, regales

her children with tales of her idyllic youth and the scores of suitors who once pursued her. She is disappointed that Laura, who wears a brace on her leg and is painfully shy, does not attract any gentlemen callers.

Amanda enrolls Laura in a business college hoping that she will make the family's fortune. Weeks later Amanda discovers that Laura's crippling shyness has led her to drop out of school and spend her days wandering the city alone. Amanda then decides that Laura's last hope must lie in marriage and begins selling newspaper subscriptions to earn the extra money she believes will help to attract suitors for Laura.

The play is directed by Betsy Wells.

"The Odd Couple" runs April 28 to 30 and May 5 and 6. It is about an unforgettable pair of mismatched roommates, Oscar Madison and Felix Ungar. One was sloppy and one neat which led to hilarity. A television show was created after the initial Broadway play.

The play is directed by Wendy Walega.

## SOCIAL BRIEFS

**The Kings Mountain High School Class of 1960** is planning its 45th year reunion. Anyone who graduated in 1960, or anyone that knows someone who graduated in 1960, is asked to contact Paul Fulton at 704-487-9320, Martha Raines Myers at 7604-739-3793, Rose Malcolm Ince at 352-680-3682 or e-mail [roseince@comcast.net](mailto:roseince@comcast.net).

**The Kings Mountain High Class of 1975** is planning a reunion October 8 at Cleveland Country Club. Persons who have not been contacted should mail their contact information to Class of '75, Box 306, Grover, NC 28073 or email [jdjsjd65@hotmail.com](mailto:jdjsjd65@hotmail.com)

**A Girl Scout leaders' social** will be held Mon., Aug. 22 from 6:30-8:30 pm. at Boyce Memorial ARP Church. Persons interested in volunteering with Girl Scouts are invited. Call Christy Griggs at 704-864-3245 ext. 129 or Jennifer Cantrell at 704-300-2003 for more information.

**Gaston County Parks and Recreation** is seeking arts and crafts vendors for the 18th annual Cotton Ginning Days October 14-16 at Gaston County Park, Dallas. Commercial, flea market and yard sale items are not permitted. For more information call 922-2160.

**Crowders Mountain State Park** will host a Kings Mountain Ridgeline Trail work day Sat., Aug. 20 from 8 a.m.-12 noon. Call the park at 853-5375 if you plan to

work. Take gloves, water and snacks.

**Crowders Mountain State Park** will host Beaver Basics Sat., Aug. 20 at 2 p.m. Learn about beavers during a short talk and a trip to the lake to see a beaver lodge. Meet at the lake fishing pier. The program will be cancelled if it rains.

**Crowders Mountain State Park** will host "Camouflage: Natural Hide and Seek" Sunday, Aug. 21 at 1 p.m. Participants will learn how animals protect themselves from predators. Meet at the first picnic shelter. The program will be cancelled if it rains. Call 853-5375 for more information.

**Crowders Mountain State Park** will host a Kings Mountain ridgeline hike Monday, Aug. 22 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Wear good hiking shoes and take a full water bottle. The hike is six miles long and is strenuous. It is not appropriate for younger children. Meet at the visitor's center. The hike will be limited to the first 15 people that register by calling 853-5375. Pets are not permitted. The program can be cancelled in case of bad weather or extreme heat.

**Gaston County Museum**, 131 W. Main St., Dallas, will hold a new exhibit "America in the Auto Age: Driving Toward Independence," August 18-December 31. It explores the impact the automobile has had on Gaston County and society as a whole. Focus areas include safety and regula-

tion, women as drivers, NASCAR origins, and the automobile in pop culture. Some objects in the exhibit include automobile artwork and photographs, vintage car parts, toy cars, child-sized Charles Chips delivery truck, and various automobile memorabilia. For more information contact Jeff Pruett, Programs Coordinator, 704.922.7681 ext. 105 or [jpruett@co.gaston.nc.us](mailto:jpruett@co.gaston.nc.us)

**Crowders Mountain State Park** will host a fall wildflower hike Sat., Aug. 27 at 2 p.m. Participants will spend an afternoon walking along park roads and around the lake viewing the wildflowers of all. Meet at the visitor's center flag pole. Call 853-5375 for more information.

**Amvets Auxiliary Post 82, Shelby**, is having a car show August 20 (rain date August 27) at Market Place (old Wal-Mart on Highway 74) to raise money for Christine's Home, a foster home for young girls. Cars, trucks and motorcycles will start arriving between 9-10 a.m. to set up in categories. Judging will start at 2 p.m. Trophies will be awarded at 4 p.m. There will be drawings for free giveaways to people who enter a vehicle in the show. Hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks will be sold.

**Crowders Mountain State Park** will host Totally Terrific Turtles Sat., Aug. 27

at 10 a.m. Learn about cooters, sliders and snappers on a short lake hike. Call 853-5375 for more information.

**The Ranlo Labor Day Festival** will be held September 2-3, beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday and 3 p.m. Saturday. There will be carnival rides, games, entertainment and food. Crafters are invited to showcase their merchandise. There is a fee of \$30 for profit business and \$20 for non-profit organizations. Food vendors fee is \$75 profit and \$50 non-profit. Vendor applications are available at Ranlo Town Hall, 1624 Spencer Mtn., Rd., Ranlo Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

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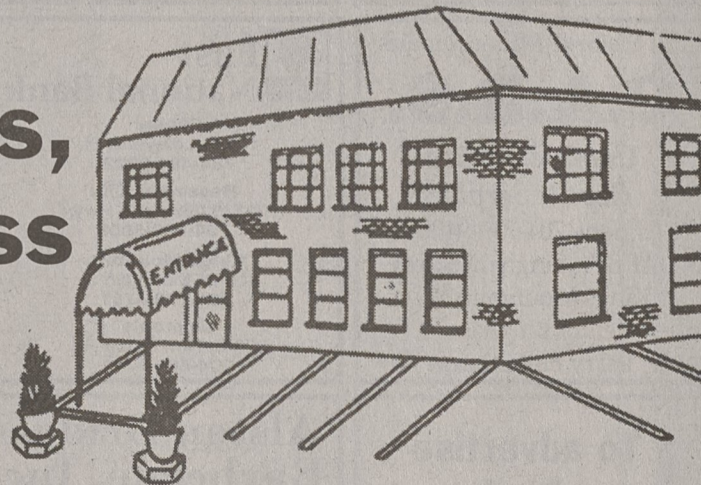
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