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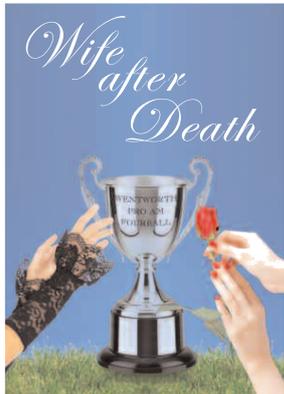
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Dear Members,

The Committee would like to wish you all a Happy 2013. We have an exciting year planned, with fabulous plays, social events and to end the year in style we will be presenting a Panto. Oh yes we will! Building work, to provide enhanced facilities for members will also commence in late spring. So it is going to be a very busy year all round. As it is the new year, now is the time to renew your membership. To help the speed of ticket sales for our first production, it would be appreciated if members could renew beforehand. Annual membership rates remain the same and there is a form included with this newsletter for your details.

## OUR FIRST PRODUCTION OF THE SEASON



## Wife after Death

by Eric Chappell

Our first production of the year will be an extremely funny, if slightly irreverent comedy entitled 'Wife After Death' by the playwright Eric Chappell. It was described as "a terrific evening of love and laughter" by The British Theatre Guide. The play will run for five nights, from Tuesday the 19th to Saturday the 23rd of February. Curtain up each night at 7.30pm.

As the play opens a well known comedian has died and friends are gathered at his funeral. Their memories of him are very different and often clash. Later, when the time comes to dispose of the ashes and Dave's secret life is finally exposed, tempers and ashes fly.

**The Box Office will be open each Saturday from the 2nd February from 10.30am to 12pm and then Monday and Wednesday evenings thereafter from 7.30pm to 9.00pm.**

**Tel: 01206 391309.**

**Tickets are just £6.00 for members. £8.00 for non-members.**

## AN EXTRA SPECIAL PRODUCTION IN MARCH

### Dance and Drama

As a precursor to St Patrick's Day for three nights only, on 14th - 16th March, there will be an extra special production to raise funds for the new extension. And as it is St Patrick's day on the 17th, they will have more than a hint of the Irish.

We are pleased to welcome the local Debbie Millar School of Dancing to open the Irish themed evening. Their performance will be followed by an award winning play by Geraldine Aron, The Donahue Sisters. Three sharp-tongued Irish sisters with a very dark secret between them are reunited in the loft playroom of their childhood: a promising premise for a piece of thoughtful, entertaining theatre. A wonderfully paced, witty and acerbic script yields plenty of audience laughter as the siblings, rejoined and high, cast stones at their own and each others' failed lives, loves and cosmetic surgery. This play manages to say a lot about sibling rivalry, adolescent sexuality, familial repression and middle aged boredom in a very short space of time. Curtain up at 7:30pm.

**Tickets just £5.00 for members, £7.00 for non-members, will be on sale at "Wife after Death" Box Office or telephone Patience on 01206 393171 for details.**



See our website for more information at: [www.manifesttheatre.co.uk](http://www.manifesttheatre.co.uk)

## OUR NEXT PRODUCTION

### The Heiress

In May we will be staging 'The Heiress' by American playwrights Ruth and Augustus Goetz. Production dates will be 21st to 25th May 2013.

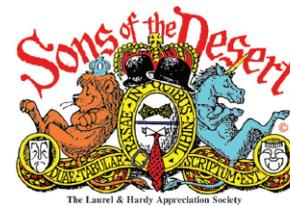
The play is an adaptation of the Henry James novel Washington Square. In the play a shy and retiring heiress falls head over heels in love with a handsome, dashing but penniless young man. Despite the threat of being disinherited by her father she is determined to marry him at all costs. Is the suitor really in love with her or is he just a fortune hunter? Come to our production of 'The Heiress' in May 2013 and find out!

• There will be a full read through for members wishing to participate in this production at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 27th February followed by auditions on Monday 4th March, again at 7.30pm.



## SO MUCH MORE TO DO AT YOUR THEATRE

### Saturday 9th February



Another great film night with Laurel and Hardy.

Manifest members are welcome to attend but ticket price will include a fee to join the 'Sons of the Desert'.

For more information call Paul on 01255 429 887

• 7:30pm-10:00pm.

### Saturday 2nd March

### 'Something Silly!'

An evening of mirth, frivolity and total stupidity as teams battle it out for the coveted prize "The Golden Plunger". 'I'm Sorry I haven't a Clue' but 'Just a Minute', 'Would I lie to You?'. Oh go on, 'Give us a Clue'. Come and join us on 2nd March. Curtain up 7.30pm. Tickets available from the Theatre 18th / 23rd Feb or ring 01206 396 270.

£5.00 for members, £7.00 for non-members.

• 7:30pm-10:00pm. See website for details.

### Saturdays 23rd March and 11th May

The 'Sons of the Desert' are back for another two visits. For further details - see above.

### Saturday 27th April

## A NIGHT AT THE RACES



Forget those long treks to Aintree, Epsom or even Newmarket - we are bringing it to you in Lawford. Horse Race Night to raise funds for our extension. Fun for all the family.

Watch this space for further details and ticket availability.

• 7:30pm-10:00pm at the Ogilvie Hall, Lawford.