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Tickets now on sale for Lorraine Theatre Guild's *Dracula*

Tickets are now available for the Lorraine Theatre Guild's production of "Dracula." Tickets are \$12 per person and are available in advance at Hoopeston Public Library, the Little Lorraine, Hoopeston City Hall, Treasured Roots Flower Shop and online at www.lorraine theatre.com.

Specific ticket information is further available by calling Marilyn Tyler, (217) 840-4870.

Tickets will also be available at the door of the October 26 and 27 performances, beginning at 7 p.m. each evening.

The performance is based on the Stephen Deitz adaptation of the classic Bram Stoker classic. The performance is staged fully, rendered by the exceptional local talents and is the premier of life theater at the restored and beautiful historic Lorraine Theatre, 324 E. Main St., Hoopeston.

The show is being directed by Thomas Sweeney and adeptly organized by Tyler, who is managing director.

Adding to ongoing efforts are technical director, lighting and sound, Alex Houmes; the directing assistance of Diane Judy; costumes designed by Broadway Costumes of Chicago; and the original Roberta Carl-

son sound effects/music score.

"A major reason to attend is the amazing talents of the cast," Sweeney said. "What a lineup!" David Weber is Dracula, with Tom Sweeney as his nemesis, the brilliant scientist, Van Helsing.

Dracula's lovely victims include Janell Sechriest as Lucy and Yolanda Pemberton as Mina. Their romantic counterparts are Dr. Seward (Matt Kissack) and Harker (Jaren West), who face hair-raising moments.

An extraordinary, must-see addition is the insanity in the character Renfield, portrayed by Sarah Miller. Cameo performances are equally fine with Jeanette Andre (maid) and attendant Scott Hudson.

The Lorraine Theatre Guild receive special arrangements with Dramatists Play Service, Inc., 440 Park Avenue South, New York City, to perform the incredible version in Hoopeston at the Lorraine "Under contract, we have agreed that no recording may be allowed, but in return, we have an amazing play script, Sweeney said. "It has sold out nearly everywhere it has been presented." he added.

The characters desperately try to keep secrets from each other. They do so out of safety, honor and re-

See DRACULA on other side

Hoopeston Public Library to hold third pumpkin contest

Hoopeston Public Library will sponsor its third annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest later this month and the library will even provide the pumpkins.

The contest is open to local residents from age 5 through adult. Categories for individuals are in age groups 5-7, 8-11, 12-15 and 16-adult, plus a "Family/Group" category for families, classrooms or other groups working together. First place awards will be presented in each category, plus one will be named "Best of Show."

Patrons may register and "check out" their free pumpkin on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the

library's south outside parking area.

Decorated pumpkins must be returned between 10 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 17, and 7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 18. Pumpkins returned after Oct. 18 will not be judged. Judging will be conducted on Friday, Oct. 19, and awards will be announced at 1 p.m. that day.

Pumpkins will be on display for public viewing in the library's lower level meeting room through Friday, Oct. 26

Free pumpkins are again provided – while supplies last – by library staff member Terri Hambleton and her husband, Mel.

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Yes, you are right, I am a letter writer. In fact even in a card I always like to "drop" a line or two, not just sign my name. I understand it isn't for everyone and if I get a card from you and you just signed your name I'll still be happy that I heard from you.

Many years ago, handwritten letters were our main form of communication and a cheap way to let everyone know you cared. It was a way to invite someone to a party or event, share good news and keep in touch with those who live far away. We all looked forward to getting a letter in the mail, not just bills.

Just think about it. You don't have to worry about getting hacked or your battery running low or a power outage. No one has your handwriting but you.

What's the big deal? It is very personal when you write a letter. It says, "you took the time" to communicate with a friend, a family member or a neighbor. It reaches inside

our soul and brings out our best. On paper with a pen you share your feelings.

Can you recall a time when you were feeling down and in the mail came a letter from a friend who tells you they were thinking of you. It sure helps us feel better, a simple handwritten letter from a friend.

Old letters that were written 30, 50 or more years ago by family members can bring back memories as you read the handwritten words. The life and times of the individuals can be seen in their writing. Save your letters in a box, in your sock drawer, just bundle them up, but keep them. A phone call is great for today but letters can talk to you tomorrow or next year.

We should write more letters, filled with basic everyday life, send them to our family and friends at least once or twice a year. Let's give it a try!

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Soccer

Rain cut short a match in which Cornjerker soccer traveled to Oakwood September 25, but despite the difficult night, Hoopeston Area brought home a 3-1 victory.

The first half was delayed for an hour because of heavy rain, then lightning and the game was cancelled six minutes into the second half.

Oakwood got their only goal at 5:55 into the game on a Brady Teverbaugh goal on a pass from Caleb Lashuay.

AT 11:07, Rhys Root tied the game with his only goal of the night, on an assist from Brennan Granados.

At 9:30, Carson Alwardt found the pack of the net on a pass from Jose Diaz.

Bradlee Herman earned his first win and shut-out this

From the Blotter

Ambrosio Ybarra III, 21, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police were called at 4:14 a.m. Sunday to the 500 block of West Maple for a battery that had occurred. After he was located, Ybarra was charged with domestic battery and theft and was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Two Hoopeston women, ages 20 and 22, reported at 3 a.m. Sunday that someone took items from their home in the 700 block of South First Ave.

A **53-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 8:02 p.m. Sunday that someone took an antique U.S. flag from in front of his building at 220 E. Main.

Weather

Mostly sunny, chance of afternoon thunderstorms today. High 86. Tonight, partly cloudy, chance of storms late. Low 69. Tomorrow, storms likely. High 76, low 47.



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year with a 4-0 win over Schlarman on September 27.

The Cornjerkers scored at 22:21 into the first half When Cameron Flint got a nice flick shot over the goalie's head. At 3:15 eft, Payton Fredrick scored on a pass from Root.

Fredrick scored again at 28:30 of the second on a deflection. With 11:23 left, Josh Delfino turned the corner with an assist from Carson Alwardt, bringing the team's record to 14-1-1 and 7-0 in the VVC.

Dracula continued from other side

spectability. It only buys the brilliant, seductive, fanged cutthroat, Dracula, more times. This is a classic of fear and courage.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. each night, with the show starting promptly at 7 p.m. The show is not recommended for children under 12 due to several scenes of mature content.

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