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Lamplighter Tour returns for fifth season

Sponsors have stepped up to the plate to assist the Rotary Club of Lincoln with its 2008 Lamplighter Tour.

The Rotary Club recently announced it has received several generous sponsorships for this year's Lamplighter Tour, to be staged November 20-23.

"We owe a debt of gratitude to our sponsors who have believed in this community organization from the beginning and who continue to step up to the plate to help offset the costs of production," said producer and Rotarian, Jennifer Southward, specifically wishing to thank Investors Group, Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc., Lincoln Chamber of Commerce and Blue Sky Nursery.

The Lamplighter Tour is about to enter its fifth year of operation. Southward said the Rotary Club is proud of what has been achieved over the past five years.

"We are also very excited about the wonderful production that has been planned for this year," she said. "We try to keep it fresh and fun each year by changing the location and era of our tour. Having five different playwrights ensures diversity and novelty. One notable change for 2008 is that all five vignettes on the tour take place indoors."

The Lamplighter Tour is made possible through the efforts of more than 100 volunteers who give of their time and expertise in many areas including historical research, providing the venue, being a greeter at each venue, playwriting, acting, costumes, directing, casting, marketing and running a period tea

"It's always an amazing delight to me," says Bev Haskins, the artistic director, "Everyone is so responsible about doing their share to ensure that, in the end, so many pieces fit together so well."

TICKET INFORMATION

Five performances will take place on each of four days - November 20, 21, 22 and 23. The ticket price is \$25 for Thursday evening and Sunday matinee performances and \$30 for Friday and Saturday evening performances. All tickets include a visit to the period tea room after the show. For performance times and further information call 905-563-8387 or visit www.lamplightertour.com

Tickets to the 2008 Rotary Club of Lincoln Lamplighter Tour go on sale on Saturday, Sept. 20, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., by telephone order only. Call 905-563-8520 or 905-327-4098. Telephone orders will continue September 22 to September 26, 1-4 p.m., by calling 905-563-8520 only. No voice mail orders will be accepted.

In each previous years, tickets sold out quickly more than a month in advance of the production. Organizers are optimistic that demand will remain high as the location and venues have changed yet again to present fresh and interesting stories for

The Lamplighter Tour is an annual Rotary Club of Lincoln event to raise funds towards a community arts project at Charles Daley Park.