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This is the official newsletter of Ridgedale Players Theatre, issued on a monthly basis during the theatrical season to all individual members of record. An occasional e-mail information Update is sent to all members with e-mail addresses on record. Correspondences to the Backstage should be sent to the Editor at backstage@ridgedaleplayers.com.

Updated e-mail and postal addresses are maintained by the Membership Chairperson and should be sent to membership@ridgedaleplayers.com

2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, January 28th—8p	One Acts Dress Rehearsal
Saturday, January 29th—8pm	One Acts—Members Only
Saturday, February 5th—2p-4p	JAR Auditions
Sunday, February 20th— 2p	Member Dress Rehearsal for <i>Forum</i>
Friday, February 25th— 8p	<i>A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum</i> Opening night
Saturday, February 26th— 8p	Show— <i>Forum</i>
Sunday, February 27th— 2p	Show— <i>Forum</i>
Friday, March 4th—8p Saturday, March 5th—8p	Show— <i>Forum</i>
Sunday, March 6th—2p	Show— <i>Forum</i>
Monday, March 7th	Auditions— <i>Expecting Isabel</i>
Friday, March 11th—8p Saturday, March 12th—8p	Show— <i>Forum</i>
Sunday, March 13th—2p	Closing Show— <i>Forum</i>



Ridgedale Roses

~ A big bouquet of roses to **Kevin Feber** who graciously donated all the DVD sales from *Velveteen Rabbit* back to the theatre!
~ A Rose to **Laura Schmitt** for organizing the 2010 Ridgedale Holiday Party held at Julianno's in Warren. Fun time had by all.
~ Well wishes to **Fred Shulak**. He has enjoyed hearing from his Ridgedale family.



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**Now Available for Purchase
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Kits are offered in a variety of shades and include the following items:

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- Highlight/Shadow/Lip/Cheek Palette
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A Word from our President

Peggy Miller-Zelinko—president@ridgedaleplayers.com



Happy Holidays! I hope all of you had a memorable month of celebrations. The craziness of shopping, baking, and decorating, culminated for me in a Christmas Day of NEWNESS. In the Zelinko family of (35 immediate relatives) three new babies were born in the last two months.

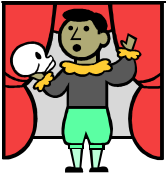
Christmas Day for us was exciting as each new baby came through the door. Holding a ten day old baby, so new and fresh, gave special meaning to the thoughts of Christmas and New Years. We all thought baby Gabriel, born Dec 15th, was perfect. Not just in his looks, but that he slept for hours and every move he made was recorded. The excitement that we all had in looking him over, touching such smallness and wishing him such great things for the future was expressed over and over. NEWNESS has something great attached to it—the newness of a baby, the newness of all the toys and clothes we exchanged, the newness of a fresh start.

This New Year as we think about what new things we want to happen, I hope you think of Ridgedale.

We love newness—our new awning, our new landscaping, our new kitchen. Think about the newness you can bring to us with new directing, new singing, new choreography and renewed commitments to being a part of our theater.

Welcome to the New Year with a refreshed "newness", anticipation, and excitement for a great 2011 season.

Regards, Peggy



JAR SHOW AUDITIONS: *THE STORIES OF SCHEHERAZADE*

Auditions will be held
Saturday, February 5, 2011.

Meet at Ridgedale theater from 2-4pm. Cold readings and a rehearsed song is a must if you want to be considered for a solo. The song may **NOT** be acapella. Bring a CD from a Broadway or Inspirational song.

The required practice times will be Saturdays from 10:00 am-noon. Weekday practice has not been determined yet and may depend on the scene and part. This will be a fun, exciting play with at least 35 plus cast members. Call **Peggy Miller-Zelinko** for any questions. 248-969-7718. You can go to Pioneer Drama Service to read about the plot and characters. See you then!

Show Dates: April 16th & 17th



Sunday, January 30th at 4:00PM

**First United Methodist Church
Royal Oak**

320 W. 7th Street at Washington

**Sponsored by
South Oakland Citizens for the Homeless (S.O.C.H.)**

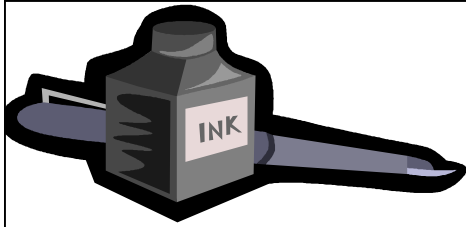
All money raised will support the Welcome Inn, a day center for the homeless in South Oakland County.

Adults: \$20 Youth: \$10

**For tickets please call Viki Higle at 248 217-2278
or visit the website at**

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NEWS FROM THE INC BOARD:

You will all be pleased to know that Ridgedale Players has once again passed its semi-annual health department inspection so our patrons and members can continue to enjoy our afterglow. On another front, we have replaced the professional CD player in the sound booth as we were having trouble with the switch on the one we had. It is the exact same model, so there will be no training necessary for those of you who are familiar with the unit. Our plan is to have the original unit repaired so we have a backup. The Inc. Board has also allocated funds to purchase six face microphones to replace our wireless **lapel microphones**. They are **flesh color and light** weight. They should be in the theater in time for Forum. We ask that anyone using this system treat it with respect as they are **delicate instruments**. Thank you to **Kevin Feber** for bringing this need to our attention as well as personally purchasing the first one. We are investigating the feasibility of a few other projects:

- New phone service for Ridgedale with Internet access
- Installing **new parking lot lighting**
- Maintenance of our parking lot surface

Of course, we can't go do it all at once but be assured that these are the type of projects that the Inc. Board is constantly evaluating. The Inc. Board would like to wish each and every member of Ridgedale Players a happy and safe holiday!



Around the Aisle— Member News

~ **Tom Coffey** recently played Elwood P. Dowd in the Little Theatre of Virginia Beach's production of *Harvey* to rave reviews. It wasn't a planned part, but he was asked to fill in two weeks before the show opened. He misses his Ridgedale family and says, "Hello".



HAVE YOU GONE ON AN EXCITING TRIP? HAD A BIRTH IN THE FAMILY? WANT TO SHARE YOUR NEWS WITH THE REST OF THE MEMBERS?



**SEND YOUR INFORMATION TO
BACKSTAGE@RIDGEDALEPLAYERS.COM**



Attention Directors and Special Event Promoters !!

If you need ad time on the theatre marquee in addition to whatever off-site advertising you've arranged for, contact me to avoid conflicts with regularly scheduled events. Directors: If you know what you'd like on the marquee to publicize your production, call or email me ASAP, i.e., jjones56@wowway.com or 248 435.6513.

Please remember to **recycle** when you are at the playhouse. In the hallway behind the kitchen, there is a container for returnable cans etc., a bag for water bottles and other plastics and a place for all types of cardboard. Let's do our best to **RECYCLE**. Thank you

