

Hilberry Theatre presents 'Five by Tenn' Chili cook-off fund-raiser is Sunday at Pages

Waynes State University's Hilberry Theatre presents "Five by Tenn," five pieces by one of America's leading playwrights, Tennessee Williams.

"Five by Tenn" opens March 10 and plays in rotating repertory until May 6. The Hilberry Theatre will offer a sampling of Williams' early work with selections that include "Something Wild," "The Lady of Larkspur Lotion," "27 Wagons Full of Cotton," "A Perfect Analysis Given by a Parrot," and "The Long Goodbye."

Each piece presents enthralling, entertaining and painfully real characters and makes a plea for society's misfits.

Tennessee Williams is best known for writing "A Streetcar Named Desire," "The Glass

Menagerie" and "Cat On A Hot Tin Roof." He is the winner of two Pulitzer Prizes, four Ginepro Awards and the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Williams spent his entire life writing plays, short stories and poems up to his death in 1983.

Obscure works

By presenting some of Williams' obscure works, the Hilberry Theatre explores further into the imagination and world of Tennessee Williams and helps to keep his memory alive.

Blair Anderson, director of "Five by Tenn" and interim chair of the theater department, states, "These pieces are not only autobiographical moments in Williams' life, they have strong resonances to many of his other favorite works like 'The Glass

Menagerie" and "A Streetcar Named Desire." These pieces also allow Williams to show his imagination, flights of fancy and unlandish characters."

"Five by Tenn" will play in rotating repertory at the Hilberry Theatre from March 10 through May 6, with "Our Town," "The Glass Menagerie" and "The Marriage of Figaro." Performances are scheduled on selected Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m.

Hilberry Theatre tickets range in price from \$11 to \$15. Special discounts are available for groups of 15 or more. Student rush tickets priced at \$7 go on sale the day of the performance.

For more information and for tickets to "Five by Tenn," call the box office at 313-577-2972.

March 5th is the day set for this year's Chili Cook Off. Pages Food and Spirits will once again host the 5th annual cook off put on by the Miss Farmington Scholarship program and Children Youth and Family Services.

Harry Hairston of UPN-50 Television will be head judge along with Bob Robby of the Farmington Hills Fire Department.

The cook-off is 1-4 p.m. at Page's in downtown Farmington. Admission is \$5.

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Bookstore hosts children's events

Borders Books and Music in Farmington Hills has scheduled several children's events during March:

2 p.m. Sunday, March 12: Mike Mulligan storytime. Celebrate 60 years of Mike Mulligan and his steam shovel. The beloved story of a faithful Irish steam-shovel operator by Virginia Lee Burton has remained in the hearts of American readers since 1939. Storytime, activity with coloring sheets, crossword puzzles and maze games. For ages 5 and up.

3 p.m. Saturday, March 18: Two of a kind. The musical duo from Philadelphia returns to

Borders for a music and singing odyssey. All ages welcome.

7 p.m. Tuesday, March 21: Chris Clark, a magician, entertains the kids with something new: a juggling show. He'll even teach kids 5 and older to juggle.

3 p.m. Sunday, March 26: March is children's month at Borders, and Laura Ingalls Wilder, author of the "Little House on the Prairie" series, will be honored with a quilting event for kids. Learn how to do simple quilting just like in Laura Ingalls Wilder's time. This craft project involves pasting fabric squares to create mini-quilts. All materials will be provided. Ages

5 and up.

7 p.m. Tuesday, March 28: Visit with some live animals when Mike Roberts returns for his Science Discovery show. Learn important facts about the natural world as you learn about animals with vertebrae: snakes, frogs, macaws, rabbits and hedgehogs. All ages welcome.

10 a.m. every Wednesday in March: Children's storytime conducted by Borders' staff who will read their favorite stories, both classics and new releases. For 3-7 year olds.

Borders is located at 80995 Orchard Lake Road. Phone 737-0110 for more information.

Israeli group coming to JCC in March

Tickets are now on sale for the concert by Israeli music group Reva L'Sheva. The band will perform at the Jewish Community Center's Kahn Building at 8:00 p.m. Saturday, March 25.

Sponsored by the JCC, Congregation Shir Tikvah and the Detroit Jewish News, the concert is part of the congregation's year-long Shilmo Carlebach Festival.

Reva L'Sheva is made up of American immigrants to Israel, native Israelis, and observant and secular Jews. The group's unique style combines the influence of Rabbi Carlebach, Jewish music and the Grateful Dead.

Part of international tour

This concert in Detroit is part of a U.S. and

Canadian tour. Reva L'Sheva has performed worldwide in Israel, the U.S., Canada and across Europe. Its latest album, "Secrets," features soul, acoustic and electric rock with spiritual lyrics and Latin American and Middle Eastern melodies.

Tickets are \$10 for JCC or Shir Tikvah members, \$15 for non-members and \$8 for teens and college students up to age 22. Discounts are available to youth groups of 20 or more.

For tickets, call the JCC's Kahn building at 661-1000, the Morris building at 987-4030 or Congregation Shir Tikvah at 649-4418, ext. 11.

The concert is funded in part by the H.S. Sobie Foundation.

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