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IRON MOUNTAIN STAGE COMPANY was founded in April 1993. We are an award winning, non-profit performing arts company located in the beautiful mountain setting of Ringwood, New Jersey. Our goal is to continue to be an integral part of our unique community, and a significant cultural and educational resource to the surrounding areas. We will present theatrical productions of classic and contemporary plays, and live performances in a variety of styles, constantly striving for the highest artistic standards.



IRON MOUNTAIN STAGE COMPANY PRESENTS



by

Jesse Jones, Nicholas Hope and Jamie Wooten

Directed by
Caroline von Glahn

This play is produced by special arrangement with
Dramatist's Play Service

Director's Letter

The cast is a gift given to the audience and the director! You will clearly see the high caliber of the actors in "The Savannah Sipping Society". We have had such a great time working together and it shows in the performances. Finding and bringing out the nuances of the characters by the actors has been a pleasure to watch.

I know you will enjoy the show. Laugh loud and long!!

Caroline von Glahn

*Would you like to try Improv
in a fun, no-pressure situation?*

If so, you might like to come to

*Iron Mountain Stage Company
Second Improv Night*

*Community Presbyterian Church Gym
Friday January 11, 2019
7:30 pm*

If you have enjoyed this production, don't miss
Iron Mountain Stage Company's Fall Show
"Love Letters"

April 5, 6, 7, 12,13,14

At The New Weis Center For
Education, Arts & Recreation

Visit our web site – www.ironmtn.org
for details about the Fall show, auditions etc.

The Savannah Sipping Society

Characters (in order of appearance)

Randa Covington.....*Erika Wynzel*

Dot Haigler.....*Linda Gerdes*

Marlafaye Mosley.....*Patricia Baran-McNair*

Jinx Jenkins.....*Melanie Scarpati*

Special Guest Appearance

Cordelia Covington "Grandma".....*Marie Cannici*

The second story veranda of a Savannah Home.
Other locations are suggested by lighting.

Time - the present

Act One

Scene 1-Late morning, lobby/juice bar of a yoga studio

Scene 2-A few days later, late afternoon, verandah of
Randa's home. Hours later, the verandah

Scene 3- One month later, late night, the verandah

Scene 4- One week later, later afternoon, the verandah

Act Two

Scene 1- Weeks later, late afternoon, the verandah

Scene 2- Valentine's day, late afternoon, the verandah
Later that night, the verandah

Scene 3- Six weeks later, the verandah

Scene 4- One month later, a hotel balcony

Melanie Scarpati (Jinx Jenkins) Melanie grew up in Greenwich Village, NYC during the 70s and 80s. She performed in school productions and community theater here and there, but that was long ago and far away. So when the opportunity arose to play Jinx in The Savannah Sipping Society, she was thrilled! Since 2010 Melanie has been a real estate agent in Passaic and Bergen counties. She lives in Ringwood, NJ with her husband, Joseph, and their three dogs Rory, Alfie and Peanut.

Linda Handzus Gerdes (Dot Haigler) It's been a while since she has been seen on stage, but for the past 14 seasons she has been fortunate enough to collaborate with a talented group of students and adults to put together Ridgefield Park' Jr. Sr. High School's annual musical. She has performed and directed with several local NJ community theater groups. Favorite roles include Bloody Mary (South Pacific); Katisha (The Mikado); Mary St. Martin (Bawdy Babes of Broadway) and Dolly Biddle (The Kitchen Witches). She is currently the president of Iron Mountain Stage Company. Thank you to the cast and crew - you are all wonderful and joy to work with. Thank you to the audience - it's great to see you here - hope you enjoy our show!

Erika Wynzel (Randa Covington) Erika is thrilled to be back on stage after a 10 year hiatus. She was last seen as Lady Capulet in Romeo and Juliet at Brundage Park Playhouse. Previous roles include Marjorie in *Extremities*, Heidi in the *Heidi Chronicles*, Helena in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Viola in *Twelfth Night* and many more. Thanks to Caroline for casting me and allowing me to return to my favorite thing - theater. Thanks to my family, friends and especially my honey for encouraging and supporting me.

Patricia Baran-McNair (Marlafaye Mosley)

Patricia is delighted to be performing again with Iron Mountain. She was last seen as Fanny (The Witch in 204). Other favorite roles

The New Weis Center For Education, Arts & Recreation will finish their 2018 programming with two special arts programs:

- Sunday, December 16: "A Holiday Mix" special show - from Iron Mountain Stage Co.
- Sunday, December 30: "Music at Midvale" Acoustic Open Mic

Some of the exciting things in store for 2019 include:

- Expanded spring break and summer nature day camps
- Field trips for grades K-12, including homeschool and special needs
- Scout programs, including merit badge/patch classes, camping, service projects and special events
- Monthly acoustic open mic on the last Sunday of every month
- Public programs including nature walks and talks, special guest hike leaders and first aid classes.

Our wonderful program partners will continue some of their most popular programs and introduce several new ones:

- Earth Living Skills - primitive skills classes, including bird languages, local plants, movement and awareness, and advanced fire-building
- Totes Goats - goat yoga classes and a new farmyard ambassador animal discovery program
- Eclectic Kids - unique program that combines yoga, mindfulness, nature and art
- Temple Qinesis - weekly highlands obstacle adventure course and special workshops
- Elemental Roots - aquaponics sustainable farming and education programs
- Plus we'll be announcing some exciting new partnerships!

The New Weis Center for Education, Arts & Recreation

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The Highlands Nature Friends, Inc. is a non-profit organization made up of families and individuals. We are the proud owners of The New Weis Center for Education, Arts & Recreation. Our mission is to bring environmental education, outdoor recreation, and cultural events to Ringwood and the surrounding areas. We are a volunteer-based, grassroots group and we welcome your membership, involvement and support as we continue to restore our buildings and grounds. Our goal is to continue to provide a variety of activities that serve the local community.

We formed our 501(c)(3) non-profit in 2014, and took ownership of the former Weis Ecology Center property in November 2015. We gave it a new name to fit our new expanded mission. Going into our 4th year, we have developed a full slate of programs that offer something for everyone!

We provide environmental and STEM oriented educational field trips throughout the year for schoolchildren from kindergarten through high school, including custom programs for special needs and homeschool groups. Our nature-oriented day camp was expanded to 7 weeks this summer. We partner with a number of local groups to offer programs for all ages, including goat yoga, via Totes Goats, Primitive Skills Classes, offered through Earth Living Skills, a yoga, nature and art program for kids offered by Eclectic Kids, obstacle course trail runs offered by Temple Qinesis, and an aquaponics demonstration project being developed by Elemental Roots. Our acoustic open mic series, "Music at Midvale" is held on the last Sunday afternoon of every month, and attracts a wide variety of local performers. We are pleased to host many scout activities, including merit badge programs, community service projects, and camping at our group campsite. We also offer rentals of our indoor and outdoor facilities for parties, classes, meetings, and corporate retreats.

We want to congratulate Iron Mountain Stage Company, our first full-fledged partner here at the Center, on their 3rd year of delightful and entertaining performances! We thank them for making The New Weis Center their home base. In addition to their major productions, Iron Mountain leads improv classes for our summer campers, and will be presenting a holiday show at The New Weis Center once again this December.

Enjoy the play, and please come back to take part in our other programs and activities!

with various theatre companies include M'Lynn (Steel Magnolias), Wicked Witch of the West (The Wizard of Oz), Aunt Abby (Arsenic and Old Lace), and Florence (The Female Version of The Old Couple). In her other Life, Patricia is a pediatrician. As Dr. Baran, she needs to be very scientific and precise. In theatre, she enjoys being creative and stepping into the life of many characters from diverse walks of life. She thanks Caroline for casting her in the role of Marlafaye who says whatever comes into her mind. As Marlafaye would say, "Here's to living single and drinking doubles. Now ya'll set back and enjoy the show."

Marie Cannici (Grandma) What a fun show!!!! Remember— There are no small parts, just small actors!!!! Thank you Caroline-

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