

# MAY 2011

# TENNESSEE VALLEY THEATRE

## NEWSLETTER

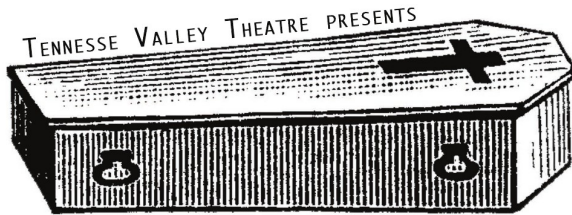
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**OPENING MAY 13TH!**  
***DEARLY DEPARTED\****  
**MAY 13-22**



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WRITTEN BY DAVID BOTTREL & JESSIE JONES  
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The good ole Turpin family tries to pull themselves together for a funeral. Problems overshadow the occasion, but eccentric, lovable friends and neighbors help out, and prove living and dying in the South is seldom tidy, and sometimes hilarious. The comedy is directed by Tony McCuiston.

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**PERFORMANCES:**

**FRIDAYS (MAY 13 & 20) AT 7:30 PM - \$8**

**SUNDAYS (MAY 15 & 22) AT 2 PM - \$8**

**DINNER PERFORMANCES:**

**SATURDAYS (MAY 14 & 21)**

**6:30 DINNER - SHOW AT 7:30P**

**BUFFET DINNER AND SHOW FOR \$18.**

**SENIOR (55+)**

**LUNCHEON/SHOW \$16**

*Reservations must be made 3 days in advance for Lunch & Dinner Shows.*

**FOR RESERVATIONS TO ANY EVENT AT TVT:**

**CALL (423) 365-PLAY (7529)**

**LOOK FOR THE TVT FLOAT IN THE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL PARADE - DOWNTOWN DAYTON ON MAY 14TH! PARADE STARTS AT 1P**

**MAY 28 (MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND)**  
**LOOSE CHANGE BAND WITH!**  
**WILLIAM STILES AS ELVIS**

The Loose Change Band returns, this time with William Stiles as Elvis. This dynamic grouping of musicians will be one unforgettable evening of entertainment to kick off Summer 2011!

[www.williamstiles.com](http://www.williamstiles.com)



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**CALLING ALL ARTISTS: WE NEED A LOGO!**

Please help us to represent the theatre at all of the fun activities and spectacular events we know and love! Winner will get special recognition in our August 2011 newsletter and 2 season tickets for Tennessee Valley Theatre programs! Go to our web site [tennesseevalleytheatre.com](http://tennesseevalleytheatre.com) for an entry form and all the details, or scan this QR code with your smart phone to get to the link

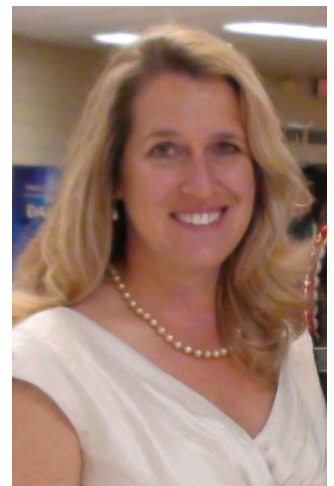


**TVT'S "VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH"**

**KAREN HILLEARY**

Born in North Carolina, Karen has been in Tennessee for 22 years, and involved with the theater 21 of those 22! She graduated from University of North Carolina at Greensboro where she was voted by faculty as bring the most outstanding student in Textile Science and Apparel arts. During her college days, she developed a love of the theater while working with the concert and lecture series. She went on to get her masters from NC State in Textile Marketing & Management minoring in Textile Chemistry. She was a textile designer before moving to Tennessee.

Karen has been on stage with TVT appearing in *Blithe Spirit*, *Rocket to the Moon*, *On Golden Pond* and several other shows. She organized the first children's drama workshop for the theater and continues to promote the arts among young people. Karen chaired the building committee when the theater was remodeled and has served on the board of directors for more years than she wants to count. She owns Creative Carousel Embroidery and her products can soon be seen on the internet by visiting [www.wellsown.com](http://www.wellsown.com).



She attends Open Door Fellowship, has served on the United Way board and the Girl Scout Board of directors for the Chattanooga area, and is a member of the Stillwaters Emmaus Community. She considers herself truly blessed and her children Parker, Rebecca, and Drew as her greatest gifts God could have ever given.

**STORM RELIEF APPRECIATION!**  
**FREE SHOW FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY THE RECENT STORMS!**

If you suffered damage during the recent storms or were a volunteer worker in the clean-up effort, you are invited to attend a Friday or Sunday performance of the southern comedy *Dearly Departed* at the Tennessee Valley Theatre in Spring City for *free*. Performances are May 13, 15, 20 and 22. Friday shows are at 7:30 PM and Sundays are at 2 PM. You must call 365-PLAY to make a reservation. For more information, please go to [www.tennesseevalleytheatre.com](http://www.tennesseevalleytheatre.com).

**For reservations to any event, call  
365-PLAY (7529) or book online at  
[www.tennesseevalleytheatre.com](http://www.tennesseevalleytheatre.com)**

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## **JUNE 13-17 & 20-24 (9A-2P)**

### **Summer Children & Youth Drama Workshops.**

The children's drama workshop for ages 6-12 will be held June 20-24 at the Tennessee Valley Theatre in Spring City. Workshop will be 9-2 each day. Children need to bring a sack lunch. The workshop is free, but parents are asked to bring healthy snacks or juice boxes to share with the group. The workshop will be directed by Jessica McCuiston. Please call TVT to register or for questions. A program for the parents will be performed at 1pm of Friday the 24th. The works of Dr. Seuss and his influence will be the theme for the workshop this year.

The Youth Drama workshop will be held June 13-17 from 9-2 for ages 13-17.

#### **MAY BOARD MEMBER OF THE MONTH :**

##### **DAVE PETERSON!**

Dave, a relocated Texan, retired from Delta Airlines on New Years Eve of 1995. His wife, Isabele retired from the same in 2001. They moved to Watts Bar in September of 2002 and have two grown children.

Interests include: NASCAR, boating, sailing and driving with the top down!

Thanks Dave (and Isabele) for all you do!



#### **BACKSTAGE BANTER WITH HARRY LANDRETH**

Fortunately, TVT did not suffer any physical damage during the recent storms. Half of the *Aladdin* school matinees were cancelled because of school closings. However, Karen Hilleary and the Rhea County school administrators were able to reschedule most of them.

Our communities suffered considerable damage that will take time to recover. Now is the time to pull together. Towards that effort, TVT is offering free admissions to our next play, *Dearly Departed*, for those adversely affected by the storms. Please see the separate article on that.

Please feel free to contact me with your comments or suggestions.

*Harry Landreth*

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