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Poignant look at World War II women takes the stage at SBU's Garret Theater

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The SBU Theater production of "The Cover of Life" runs through Saturday, Oct. 28, in the University's Garret Theater. Showtime each day is 7:30 p.m.

In 1943, three brothers have gone off to war and their brides have moved in with their mother-in-law. Life Magazine picks up the down-home story and sends a snappy New York writer on assignment. North meets South and career meets home in this deeply affecting story about the struggles of women to achieve a sense of self-worth.

"The Cover of Life" rings true to life for playwright R.T. Robinson and his hometown of Bastrop, La. In World War II, three Bastrop brothers, one of them the playwright's father, had their wives move in with their mother for the war's duration. Life Magazine did send a reporter to do a cover story on smalltown America coping with war. Fifty years later, Robinson honored his father and his town in his play.

The play has bite, humor and heart with rich scenes for the three young brides, which illustrate varying degrees of anger, frustration, harbored dreams and shattered illusions.

Dr. Ed. Simone, director of the theater program and chair of the department of visual and performing arts, directs the SBU production, which examines the effects the war-time separation has on marriage, family, jobs ... "the fabric of society," Simone said.

The play ran off-Broadway in 1996 and has had a lively run at regional theaters since then, Simone said.

The cast includes Brittany Henry, Emily Rose Maher, Emma Riley, Jennifer Sexton, Lizz Schumer, Jennifer Albanese and Jason Pagliaccio. The stage crew includes Malissa Bergner, Chelsea Horak, Rick Zuber and Kaitlynn Alico.

Tickets are \$8 for the general public, \$6 for subscribers, faculty and staff, and free for students via rush seating one hour before the show begins. They are available at the Quick Center box office. Call 375-2494 for ticket information and reservations.

CAB Movie Schedule 7:30 p.m. 10:30 p.m. 1:30 a.m.

Friday Oct. 27 - Firewall Saturday Oct. 28 - Kiss Kiss Bang Bang Sunday Oct. 29 - RV Monday Oct. 30 - Ultraviolet Tuesday Oct. 31 - United 93 Wednesday Nov. 1 - Waist Deep Thursday Nov. 2 - Over the Hedge Friday Nov. 3 - American Dreams

Michael Glabicki of "Rusted Root" to perform in Rathskeller

Michael Glabicki of the band "Rusted Root" will perform a solo acoustic show on Thursday, Nov. 2, in the Campus Rathskeller beginning at 8:30 p.m. Michael is the lead singer/guitarist for the band "Rusted Root". Opening the show will be Steve Johnson lead singer/guitarist for the band "Big Leg Emma" also performing solo acoustic. The show is free and is sponsored by the Campus Activities Board.

New courses added to the visual arts minor

At the request of students, St. Bonaventure University has added two new tracks, studio and art history, to the visual arts minor.

A track, a series of three-credit courses, is required for a minor in visual arts. The art history track is predominantly a text-based study of images. "Art History I: Ancient Civilizations," "Art History II: Early Renaissance through Romanticism" and "Art History III: Contemporary Issues in Art" will make up the three courses.

The studio track will have students creating art, and the courses will include "Drawing I," "Sculpture I," and "Beginning Painting: Introduction to Acrylics." Each track will require an addition of three electives to complete the minor.

Dr. Ed. Simone, chairman of the Department of Visual and Performing Arts and director of the theater program, said the studio and art history tracks within the visual arts minor at SBU offer students unique opportunities to go deeper and exercise creativity in a chosen area of visual arts.

"I'm pleased that the art history track was added because it ties in so beautifully with our fabulous Quick Arts Center holdings and galleries. I'm always pleased to see the work of our visual art students and look forward to further developments within the program," Simone said.

Intramural hockey, soccer and basketball rosters are available

The Richter Center currently has a floor hockey tournament this weekend. Rosters are due by 2 p.m. on Friday. 5 on 5 basketball league and indoor soccer league rosters are due by 2 p.m. on Thursday

Martin Luther King Jr. celebration planning committee

Are you interested in being a part of the planning for the University's Martin Luther King Jr. celebrations? Or would you like to at least voice your opinions about what events you would like to see take place? Please attend an information session/open forum this TODAY (Oct. 26), 8 p.m. in the Damietta Center. Refreshments will be served! All you need to bring are your ideas! If you have any questions, please contact Nichole Gonzalez, ngonzale@sbu.edu

See you Thursday!

