

CTHP's Drinking Habits: 1 show for Orangeville Go Go Grannies

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Is it the sweet goodness of the Nuns or the liberal hospitality of the wine that inspired the Caledon Townhall Players to donate one of their upcoming shows to the Orangeville Go Go Grannies this time around?

The show is *Drinking Habits*, a farce by Tom Smith about an endearing group of nuns, fearful of their convent being closed due to lack of funds, who decide to create an income in a way that is not entirely new to a religious order: making wine, as did monks hundreds of years ago, thank goodness. Well ? beer too and champagne if our history serves us right.

Onward ? the nuns undertake to make and sell wine and do relatively well in spite of unexpected difficulties when new frocked celibates come to question what is going on at this convent ? a priest and a nun, not, as it turns out, all they seem.

Lots of laughs with the mistaken identities and silliness of farce, Tom Smith is well known for his quick one liners and lighthearted humour.

What makes this show a little different is the connection to the Orangeville Go Go Grannies, a branch of the Grandmothers to Grandmothers, an international organization created in 2006, the eve of that year's International Women's Day, as part of the Stephen Lewis Foundation, with the purpose of creating awareness of the plight of grandmothers in Africa who have their grandchildren to raise when their children have died of HIV and AIDS and to give solidarity in the fight against those diseases. Finally, they aim to raise funds for food, school fees, uniforms and school supplies, and open opportunities to earn a living. *Drinking Habits* opens in the town hall theatre in Caledon Village tomorrow (Friday). All the tickets sales that evening will be donated to Orangeville Go Go Grannies. Tickets for this performance may also be purchased at BookLore on First Street, Orangeville.

As usual, the Saturday night (Nov. 5) show can be enriched by the beef dinner served at Knox United Church across the street. *Drinking Habits* continues its run the following weekend, with a matinee Nov. 12. For full information and to buy tickets, by telephone 519- 927-5460 or on line at <http://www.caledontownhallplayers.com>