Theatre

Finely sculpted characters highlight Night Must Fall

By MARY JANE WALZAK Herald Special

"Night Must Fall" by Emlyn Williams is the next production being presented by the Georgetown Little Theatre. It opens at the John Elliott Theatre on Feb. 17 and runs through Feb. 18, 22, 23, 24 and 25. This play is a murder mystery which has romance, philosophy and thrills thrown in for good measure.

On speaking at rehearsal with. director Ron Hill I found out about the author Emlyn Williams. It seems that Mr. Williams was a brilliant playwright in his '20s when he wrote his two best known plays, "Corn is Green" was one of his hits and it was made into a movie with Bette Davis in the starring role. "Night Must Fall" was his other big hit and it too was made into a movie in the 1940s with Robert Montgomery playing Dan. It seems that Mr. Williams was a shrewd man as well as an excellent playwright. He wrote "Night Must Fall" with himself in mind as the actor to play Dan, and he portrayed Dan when the play opened. I don't think that I would have relished being Mr. Williams' director. It seems that after the first two hit plays Emlyn Williams faded fast and did not have another success. He toured North America as Charles Dickens in a one-man show. The basic elements of his plays that cause them to endure are his effective building of the play and his finely sculpted characters which made them absolute joys for actors to portray. "Night Must Fall" is a favorite for many theatre groups for just these reasons.

I also had a chance to speak with one of the many people behind the scenes. Carolyn Hooper is the Head of Costumes for this play and comes to GLT with experience in many departments including having done costumes for Globe's productions of "Mame," "L'il Abner" and "Brigadoon." This certainly represents exposure to a wide



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variety of costume needs from kilts to coveralls." Carolyn won a Thea from the Association of Community Theatres of Central Ontario for the costumes in "Brigadoon." She is bringing the same enthusiasm to this production in her search for authentic-looking 1930s garb. The current women's styles of the 1980s are harkening back to the '30s with the resurgence of the tight midi-length skirt with approximately eight inches of pleating or a flare at the bottom. Since the budget doesn't run to buying new clothes Carolyn is looking around for volunteers who might have skirts like this and be willing to lend them to GLT for the duration of the play. If you would like to volunteer your skirt for a career on the stage give Carolyn a call at 877-1141.

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If you don't think that you would like to have your skirt in its own career but would like to see whose skirt did make it, then tickets for "Night Must Fall" are available by dropping into Royal LePage Real Estate at 170 Guelph St., Georgetown or you can get more information by calling the box office at 877-3700.

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The event is being held at Sacre Coeur Hall, 39 Guelph St., Georgetown, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 and door prizes will be drawn for.

The demonstrations will be conducted by Barb Holland and Marg Thibeault.

Ms. Holland has a weekly column in the Toronto Sun and has written articles for Chatelaine,

Valentine fun

One In Christ will present a Valentines Banquet Saturday, Feb. 11. Cost of the event is \$10 each and it begins at 6 p.m. with an evening of ministry and music to follow at 7:30 p.m., featuring Jane Hancock.

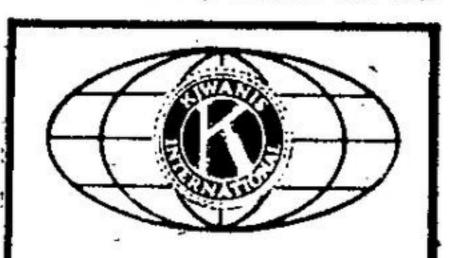
One In Christ is an interdenominational singles group that provides fellowship and ministry for the never-married, separated, divorced and widowed.

For more information, contact president Edie Jones at 387-6530.

Homemakers, and Canadian Living magazines.

As a free lance home economist she works with many companies developing new recipes and writing press releases. She also teaches microwave cooking at the Bonnie Stern Cooking School.

Ms. Thibeault is a home economist and public relations officer for the Beef Information Centre. She has represented the beef



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