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**HERSHEY AREA PLAYHOUSE PRESENTS  
AGATHA CHRISTIE'S *THE MOUSETRAP***

HERSHEY, Pennsylvania—September 9, 2008 – *The Mousetrap*, the Agatha Christie thriller that has become the longest-running show in London's West End (playing since 1952), is coming to Hershey Area Playhouse at Country Meadows this October.

The cast features Jason Ader as Inspector Trotter, Don Bowman as Mr. Paravacini, Tom Ford as Giles Ralston, Larry Gessler as Major Metcalf, Amy Hoke as Mollie Ralston, Peg Mellinger as Miss Casewell, John Messmer as Christopher Wren and Sara Zentmeyer as Mrs. Boyle.

Director Brian Kreider reports a hearty turnout for the auditions for Agatha Christie's *The Mousetrap*. "We have a solid and polished cast, and this 'whodunnit' will thrill the regional audiences with clever clues, delightful deception and bold, engaging British accents except for one mysterious foreigner," Kreider stated.

The show runs October 16 – 19 and 23 – 26, 2008 with performances at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and 2 p.m. on Sundays. Hershey Area Playhouse at Country Meadows is located on Sand Hill Road at Cherry Drive.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$13 for children 12 and under – service charges apply. Group ticket sales of 20 or more receive a \$2 discount per ticket. For group sales information, please call the Hershey Area Playhouse Box Office at 717.533.8525. Individual tickets may be purchased at the door or online at [HersheyAreaPlayhouse.com](http://HersheyAreaPlayhouse.com).

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