

# ED FLETCHER'S EARLY BIRD DINNER THEATRE

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### NOW PLAYING: Death by Chocolate

#### Special Interest:

- *Death by Chocolate*
- **Special Spotlight**
- **Guess the Actor**
- **2010 Season**

*Death by Chocolate*, by Paul Freed, is a very funny parody of a murder mystery.

When the previous owner of the Meadowbrook Health Resort and two of the resort employees all die suspiciously right before the Grand Reopening, the new owner, Lady Riverdale, and her manager, John Stone, are faced with a serious dilemma.

When Edie Parlor, a mystery writer, appears on the scene, she and John Stone attempt to solve the mystery before the Resort reopens . . . and everyone is a suspect!

There's Ralph Deadwood, the unlikely gym manager, who shares a secret past with Lady Riverdale; and Edith Chiles, famed chef for the resort. Add in Anne, the panic-stricken resort nurse, who faints at the sight of blood; Dick Simmering, the flamboyant aerobics instructor; Sweet Pea Meadowbrook, the previous owner's overweight and grieving daughter; Margaret Daniels, a nosy magazine writer looking for a scoop;



Cast: (Front) Barbara Anthony; (Second Row) Tracy Borgatti, Bill Henricks, Midge Mamatas, Jennifer Sloane; (Back Row) Joe Johnson, Michael Crockett, Brent Ballard, Gail Scott.

Alfred Mellox, the eerie butler; Lady Riverdale, the new owner with a shady past; Dyslexia, Lady Riverdale's strangely dark assistant on loan to Manager John Stone . . . and it's hard to tell just "who done it!"

Artistic Director, Robin New has put together a great cast, who are enjoying this farcical romp on a beautifully designed gothic set.

Several of the actors are playing more than one role, but we'll let you guess just who is playing who when you come and see the show!

*Death by Chocolate* runs until Sunday, April 25, 2010. Call soon for reservations, as we are booking full houses every weekend!

See you at the show!

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Can you match the actors from *Death by Chocolate* with their characters?



Michael Crockett



RALPH DEADWOOD



EDITH CHILES



Midge Mamatas



Gail Scott



DYSLEXIA



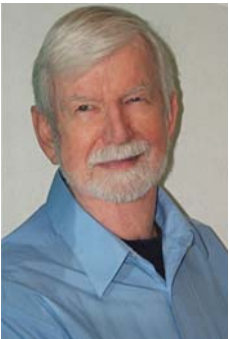
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DICK SIMMERING



Brent Ballard



Bill Henricks



JOHN STONE



LADY RIVERDALE



Barbara Anthony



Jennifer Sloane



EDIE PARLOR



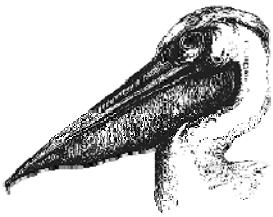
Tracy Borgatti



ALFRED MELLOX



Joe Johnson



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**Producer**  
**Ed Fletcher**

**Artistic Director**  
**Robin New**

## Rehearsals for FUNNY MONEY are Underway

Here comes a classic British farce by Ray Cooney, author of *Run for Your Wife* and *Out of Order* – both huge hits with Early Bird audiences.

Henry A. Perkins, a mild mannered CPA, accidentally picks up the wrong briefcase. It's full of money. Henry assumes it is illicit cash and he decides to keep it. Knowing that the former owner must have *his* briefcase, he rushes home to book one-way tickets to Barcelona. He tells his confused wife to leave everything behind; if she doesn't like Barcelona, they can go to Bali. In fact, they can buy Bali!

The doorbell rings as they wait for their taxi. The police detective at the door thinks Henry was soliciting in the men's room of the local pub. Actually, he was sitting in the loo counting the cash. The bell rings again. Another detective arrives thinking Henry is dead. A man with bullet holes in his head and Henry's briefcase were found in the Thames. Henry's inept attempts to extricate himself from this impossible situation lead to increasingly hysterical situations.

Artistic Director, Robin New, has put together a fabulous cast that includes: Barbara Anthony, Brent Ballard, Michael DuMouchel, Bill Henricks, Joe Johnson, Rick Kistner, Jonelle Meyer, and Jennifer Sloane.

***Funny Money* opens April 29, 2010 and runs through June 10, 2010.**

## ***Get Your Ducks in a Row for Our 2010 Season***

***Death by Chocolate*** from March 4 to April 25, 2010.

***Funny Money*** from April 29 to June 10, 2010.

***Kitchen Witches*** from July 15 to September 5, 2010.

***Lovers and Other Strangers*** from September 9 to October 31, 2010.

***How the Other Half Loves*** from November 4 to December 26, 2010.

***For more information and details of upcoming shows, please visit our website:***

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### ***Patron Corner:***

If you'd like to tell us about some special memories you've had at the theatre or just tell us about one of your favorite shows, just send us an email at

[newsletter@earlybirddinnertheatre.com](mailto:newsletter@earlybirddinnertheatre.com)

We look forward to hearing from you!!!

*Jennifer Sloane*

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