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Fiddler on the Roof Playing at Neumann

Center Stage Productions presents the hit Broadway show *Fiddler on the Roof* August 10-13 at Neumann University.

Set in the Pale of Settlement of Imperial Russia in 1905. It is based on *Tevye and his Daughters* by Sholem Aleichem. The story centers on Tevye, the father of five daughters, and his attempts to maintain his Jewish religious and cultural traditions as outside influences encroach upon the family's lives. He insists that, without their traditions, he and the other villagers would find their lives "as shaky as a fiddler on the roof."

Opening in 1964, *Fiddler on the Roof* had the first musical theatre run in history to surpass 3,000 performances and held the record for the longest-running Broadway musical for almost 10 years. It remains Broadway's sixteenth longest-running show in history. The production won nine Tony Awards, including Best Musical, score, book, direction and choreography. It spawned five Broadway revivals and a highly successful 1971 film adaptation, garnering 8 Oscar nominations and 3 wins.

Center Stage Productions is a part of the Arts Guild at Neumann University. The Arts Guild was established in 1991 to enhance the high level of cultural enrichment presented to the Delaware Valley Community. The eight member organizations—Center Stage Productions, the Cultural Arts Forum, the Delaware County Symphony, International Ballet Classique, the Neumann University Arts Gallery, the Neumann University Concert Chorale, the Neumann University Jazz Band and the Neumann University Players—offer performances and seminars in the Fred P. Meagher Theatre.

Performances run Thursday through Saturday, August 10-12, at 8 P.M. and Sunday, August 13, at 2 P.M in the Fred P. Meagher Theatre in the Thomas A. Bruder, Jr. Life Center. General admission is \$15. College

students with ID, children under 18 and seniors are \$12. For ticket information call 610-558-5626.

Photo Caption: Jamie Taylor and Doug Ballard star as Godle and Tevye in Center Stage Productions' performances of *Fiddler on the Roof* at Neumann University August 10-13.