

## CENTER STAGE: 'Sound of Music' brightens the summer night



Angela Jenson Fry portrays Maria in "The Sound of Music."

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PAPILLION, Neb. – The hills of Papillion are alive with the "The Sound of Music." This great family production has all the elements of a winner from the opening scene when Maria is coming down from the mountain singing the title song, to the ending when the Von Trapp family escapes from the Nazis going up into the mountains.

This outdoor musical adventure at the Sumtur Amphitheatre is a perfect way for your family to enjoy a classic musical. The songs include: "My Favorite Things," "Sixteen Going on Seventeen," "Do Re Mi," "An Ordinary Couple" and more. Dee Dee Gwaltney is the Mother Abbess and her singing "Climb Every Mountain" is an incredible ending to the first act.

Director Chris Thackray has a large cast of talented performers. Leading the way is Angela Jenson Fry as Maria. She is great in the part and her voice is tremendous. Greg Leger plays Captain Von Trapp. The children who play his seven children in the show are priceless.

The all-volunteer orchestra features 20 musicians under the direction of musical director Tim Keller. Roxanne Nielsen is the choreographer and Jeff Nienhueser is set designer. Costumes are by Liam Smith.

If you haven't seen "The Sound of Music" before, now is the time. This is a refreshing production of this Rodgers and Hammerstein musical. Don't miss this Papillion-La Vista Community Theatre production. Ticket prices are family friendly at \$12 for reserved seats and green space (bring a lawn chair) seating only \$7. The last three performances are July 15-17, with curtain at 8 p.m.

The box office can be reached at (402) 201-.6962. Just take Highway 370 west to 108th Street.

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