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The Little Red Hen Theatre is getting ready for an “action-packed” Christmas!

WAKEFIELD, NEB. November 1, 2021 – The Little Red Hen Theatre of Wakefield, Nebraska, is doing its best to answer the age-old question that gets to the heart of the “Santa Claus” season – is DIE HARD a Christmas movie? Rehearsals are underway for the Little Red Hen Theatre’s upcoming comedy and action infused production of “A Very Die-Hard Christmas”, where actor and crew are working to answer that very question. The cast, it seems, has differing opinions on the matter. “Is it a Christmas movie?” asks actor Elizabeth Carlson, “. . .well it takes *place* at Christmas, but I’m not sure that makes it a true *Christmas* movie”. Managing Director Goos sees things a little differently. “It’s absolutely a Christmas movie. Yes, there are gun fights, and explosions, and some adult, err, situations . . . but it’s also about a family reconciling their differences and coming together over the holidays. It may take a hostage situation and some buildings blowing up to make it happen . . .but the spirit of Christmas is definitely in DIE-HARD”. Whether DIE-HARD is a true “Christmas story” or not remains to be seen, but one thing is certain - the Little Red Hen Theatre’s production of *A Very Die-Hard Christmas* promises to be entertaining if not exactly heart-warming. Featuring an armada of nerf guns, water pistols, slow-motion stage combat, and lots of other gags, the show is shaping up to be a blast, maybe literally, and, according to Managing Director T. Adam Goos, “. . .there is even a Christmas carol or two”.

The Little Red Hen’s production of *A Very Die Hard Christmas* features Mike Mogus as gritty New York Cop John McClane, Meg Engel as his corporate executive wife Holly Gennero, Mike Pommer as the evil mastermind Hans Gruber, Elizabeth Carlson as the loveable but damaged LA beat cop Sgt. Al Powell, Braden Kern, Audrey Loggins, and Melanie Loggins as nerf-gun wielding henchman, Barb Farup, Charity Potter, Garret Robinson, Allison Bruckner, Abby Schademann, Dawn Reimers, and Brandon Dorsey in a variety of character roles, and Sharon Boeckenhauer as the Narrator.

A Very Die-Hard Christmas will be presented at the Little Red Hen Theatre over three performances December 9 – 11. Patrons will be able to make reservations in early November, and tickets will go on sale for the public the week of Thanksgiving. The show is recommended for audiences ages thirteen and older, for situational humor and some language. For more information visit the theatre’s website at www.littleredhentheatre.com or call (402) 287-2818.

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