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*Carol Davies, Sandra Capper,
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If you are interested in joining The Dunham Thespians, be it walking the boards or helping out back stage, we'd be happy to hear from you:

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The Dunham Thespians Present...



"Hobson's Choice"

*a comedy by Harold Brighouse
produced by Gina Hutchinson*

16th November 2006 – 18th November 2006

Curtain up 7:45pm

Dunham Massey Village Hall
School Lane, Dunham Massey

"Hobson's Choice"

by Harold Brighouse

produced by Gina Hutchinson

Henry Horatio Hobson
Maggie Hobson
William Mossop
Alice Hobson
Vickey Hobson
Timothy "Tubby" Wadlow
Albert Prosser
Fred Beenstock
Jim Heeler
Mrs Hepworth
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Jon Barton
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Sylvia Rose
Gemma Hennings
Bill Craig

The play is set in Salford, Lancashire, in 1880

Act I

Interior of Hobson's shop in Chapel Street

Act II

The same scene

Act III

Will Mossop's shop

Act IV

Living room of Hobson's shop

"Hobson's Choice" by Harold Brighouse

First performed at The Apollo Theatre, London, on 22nd June 1916

Interval

- There will be a short break at the end of Act I to allow for costume changes.
- The interval will take place at the end of Act II, and the raffle will be drawn at the end of Act III
- A bar will be available in the foyer, both before the play and during the interval, selling wine and lager.
- A small selection of sweets and chocolates will also be on sale in the foyer.
- Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available during the interval free of charge.
- The raffle will be drawn by Elizabeth Craig. Many thanks to all those who kindly contributed prizes.

Producer's Notes

"Hobson's Choice" has been a real challenge, not only from a production point of view but unfortunately we had a major dilemma midway through rehearsals. We are extremely grateful to Jon Barton (who was originally to play the part of Albert) for stepping into the title role of Hobson at short notice. Thanks also to Mark Horne who willingly stepped into the breach to take over the part of Albert. Without their enthusiastic support, I doubt I would be writing this piece!

Husband Ron (Stage Manager) has been a miracle worker planning the three sets. With two complete set changes, timing and efficiency is of the essence, and he has the perfect team.

A big welcome back into the fold to David Davies (Lighting & Effects).

For many years Jenny Morton has been our Props Lady and, until recently, our Prompt, as well as being 'the lady in charge of the teapot' at every rehearsal. She is a much loved and respected member of our society. Unfortunately for us, Jenny has recently decided to take more of a back seat, but we would all like to express our deep regard and gratitude for her invaluable help over the years, and are pleased to know that she is happy and willing to still be involved.

Space does not allow for other well deserved thanks, but I/we are extremely indebted to everyone listed on this programme. As always we thank you, our audience, for your continued support and sincerely hope you will enjoy this well loved play.

Gina Hutchinson

We are sure you will join us in wishing our honorary president, Esmé Duckworth, a speedy recovery from her recent accident.

£1 has been added to the cost of your ticket, and will be matched £1 for £1 by The Dunham Thespians in aid of St. Mark's Church Spire Fund.

Thank you for your support!