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**UMMers in *The Spitfire Grill***

*Summary: From director to actors and technicians, UMM is well-represented in the Prairie Wind Players Community Theatre summer musical.*

(June 8, 2006)-UMM connections to the Prairie Wind Players Community Theatre production of *The Spitfire Grill* are many. Rebecca Webb, Computing Services, directs this happy-ending, summer musical. Actors include: Ashley Satre '08, Katie Foley Mackenzie '04, Tim Ray, Media Services and Dave Swenson, Student Activities. Beth Chapman '04 designed the set, and Tim Ray provides lighting.

Writes Alvin Klein for *The New York Times*, "...in the stage version of *The Spitfire Grill*, James Valcq, the composer, and Fred Alley, the lyricist...make it clear that rebirth is not a matter of ritual but is instead a matter of human connection." As the story unfolds, the audience is privy to relationships formed between a parolee recently released from prison and members of her new community. Warmhearted and character-driven, *The Spitfire Grill* features country-style folk music, both thoughtful and uplifting.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. on June 23, 24, 29, 30, and July 1 at the historic Roosevelt Hall in Barrett, Minnesota. A 2 p.m. matinee will be presented on June 25. Dinner theater is available on Fridays and Saturdays. Call 218-685-6353 for details.

Photo--The *The Spitfire Grill* cast from left: Katie Foley Mackenzie, Ashley Satre, Kathy Ray, Dave Swenson, Jim Johnson, Tim Ray, Tammy Ragan.

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