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**LOOK OUT ANDREWS SISTERS, LET THE BIG GIRLS SING!
A NEW GENERATION OF *THE LOVELY LIEBOWITZ SISTERS*
OPENS AT PLYMOUTH PLAYHOUSE NOVEMBER 4TH**

Minneapolis, MN (October 15, 2004) Troupe America, Inc. and Curt Wollan, Executive Producer announced plans to bring back the critically acclaimed ***The Lovely Liebowitz Sisters*** in an all-new cast at Plymouth Playhouse opening November 4, 2004. It's current production *The Best Of How To Talk Minnesotan The Musical* continues through October 30th.

Commenting on the change of shows, Wollan stated "***The Lovely Liebowitz Sisters*** are now a second generation and we are excited to introduce them to Twin Cities audiences. The original group was together for ten years and have now moved on to other opportunities. We hope you enjoy this hilarious romp with the all-new cast."

Originally created by Wollan and written by Cheryl Hawker, Jane Allen, Liz Gray (the original sisters), Wendy Short Hays and John Tsafoyannis, *The Lovely Liebowitz Sisters* were first introduced in *The 1940's Radio Hour* at Saint Paul's old Chimera Theatre in 1985. The show played two consecutive holiday runs to capacity houses and then went on the road for a national tour. Based on the success of that tour, ***The Lovely Liebowitz Sisters*** was developed and grew into three full-fledged musical productions including an holiday show, all set in the 1940s in "live from the Krakatoa Lounge at the Majestic Amazon Hotel, in lovely downtown Cleveland, 1945. Premiering at the Plymouth Playhouse in 1988, ***The Lovely Liebowitz Sisters*** played to sellout crowds with extensive runs in the Twin Cities, Detroit, Saint Louis, Kansas City, Columbus, Eau Claire and Des Moines. They toured nationally in 1997 with their band, Bobby Argyle and His Sox and Euro-Trash comic, "Yannis" and with the Phyllis Diller show on the West Coast. They appeared coast to coast with such stars as Bea Arthur and Sandy Duncan, and were especially requested by "Peanuts" cartoonist, Charles Shultz to perform at his annual Senior World Hockey Tournament in California.

This production is the first of the trilogy titled ***The Lovely Liebowitz Sisters, in "live from the Krakatoa Lounge, 1945"*** Described as "...a ton of 40s-style entertainment ... high audience appeal" by Variety, The Des Moines Register states "...three tons of fun" and hailed by the Detroit Press as "... big show of music", the "sisters" Patty, Maxine and LaVonne are introduced by their mischievous, oily host "Yannis", backed by their band Bobby Argyle and His Sox. Inspired by the Andrews Sisters, the three large and lovely sisters take you back in time mixing their own brand of self-deprecating humor and swing music for a perfect blend of 1940's nostalgia. They belt out their favorite big band tunes in a show that is a hilarious celebration of big and beautiful women gifted with big and beautiful voices.

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The *Lovely Liebowitz Sisters* is directed by Curt Wollan, and choreographed by Wendy Short Hays, with music direction and arrangements by Terry Hanson. The all-new cast includes the “sisters” Robyn Hart as the bossy Patty, Judi Gruneth as the baton-twirling Maxine and Susan Brodin as the flirty LaVonne. Shawn Cassidy is Yannis, their charming yet slick host. ***The Lovely Liebowitz Sisters***, backed by the combo Bobby Argyle and His Sox include Michael Erickson as Bobby Argyle (piano), Matt Weaver (drums) and Andy Carroll (Bass).

All performances of ***The Lovely Liebowitz Sisters*** are at the Plymouth Playhouse. Celebrating a 30th Anniversary Season, Plymouth Playhouse is best-known for its musicals and comedies. This intimate 211 seat theater is housed below The Green Mill Restaurant in the Best Western Kelly Inn, conveniently located at I-494 and Hwy 55, 20 minutes west from downtown Minneapolis. Performances are Wednesday through Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 5 & 8:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 & 6 p.m. Ticket prices are \$23 for Wed., Thurs., & Sun., \$27 for Fri., and \$30 for Sat. Overnight “Stay & Play” packages are available (includes hotel, dinner and theater, all located under one roof). For ticket information call Plymouth Playhouse Box Office, 763-553-1600 or Ticketmaster Artsline, 612-673-0404. For group information call our Group Sales Department, 763-383-1073. For press photo options and information, visit our website at www.plymouthplayhouse.com

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