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The Peccadillo Theater Company

In Association With William Repicci

To Present the World Premiere of

THE TALK OF THE TOWN

Book, Lyrics and Music by Ginny Redington and Tom Dawes

Directed by Dan Wackerman

Performances Begin Thursday, November 4th

At Bank Street Theatre (155 Bank Street)

October 11, 2004

The Peccadillo Theater Company, in association with William Repicci, will present the world premiere of the original musical *The Talk Of The Town*. Performances will be at Bank Street Theatre (155 Bank Street), and will begin on Thursday, November 4th, continuing through Sunday, December 5th.

The Talk Of The Town tells the story of the ten-year friendship of the wittiest literary lights of the 1920's, including Dorothy Parker, Robert Benchley, George S. Kaufman and Alexander Woollcott. Loaded with their legendary quips, critiques and put-downs, this delightful period musical traces the legendary skirmishes (both romantic and otherwise) around the famed Algonquin Round Table.

Ginny Redington and Tom Dawes come from successful careers in the music business as singers, songwriters, musicians, arrangers and producers. Ms. Redington wrote songs for well-known artists such as Gladys Knight and Sarah Vaughan, as well as performing her own material. Mr. Dawes was a member of the rock group The Cyrkle (best known for their hits "Red Rubber Ball" and "Turn Down Day"); he also produced a number of records for other artists, including two gold albums for the British blues group Foghat.

Directing *The Talk Of The Town* will be Dan Wackerman, who staged last season's *Counsellor-At-Law*, as well as many other acclaimed Peccadillo productions. The choreographer will be Mercedes Ellington, whose numerous credits include the Broadway musical *Play On!* and *Ambassador Satch* starring André De Shields. The music director will be Jeffrey Biering, who was the musical director for *Splendor*, and most recently worked on a series of shows at the Trump Plaza in Atlantic City.

The Peccadillo Theater Company was founded in 1994 with the goal of producing forgotten American classics – "forgotten" in the sense that most of the work the company does is rarely revived, and "classic" in the sense of enduring theatrical value. Peccadillo has produced the work of such Algonquin Round Table authors as George S. Kaufman and Marc Connelly (*Beggar on Horseback*) and Dorothy Parker (*Ladies of the Corridor*). The company recently presented a highly acclaimed revival of John Colton's *The Shanghai Gesture* while its widely praised production of *Counsellor-At-Law*, starring John Rubinstein, moves to the Theatre at St. Clement's in January.

The Talk Of The Town will begin performances on Thursday, November 4th and will continue through Sunday, December 5th. Opening is scheduled for Monday, November 8th. Performances will be Thursdays through Saturdays at 8:00pm, and Sundays at 3:00pm. There will be an additional performance on Monday, November 8th at 8:00pm; there will be no performances on Thursday, November 18th or Thursday, November 25th (Thanksgiving). Tickets are \$19 and may be purchased by calling Smarttix at (212) 868-4444, or online at www.smarttix.com. Photos will be available for download at www.brettsinger.com/clients/peccadillo.html.

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A New Musical

Book, Lyrics and Music by Ginny Redington and Tom Dawes

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Choreography by Mercedes Ellington

Presented by The Peccadillo Theater Company, in association with William Repicci

Bank Street Theatre, 155 Bank Street (between Washington and West Streets)

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Please Note: No performances on Thursday, November 18th or Thursday, November 25th

TICKETS: \$19.00; Call (212) 868-4444 or visit www.smarttix.com

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