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On the Positive Side: Tickets to 'Cockeyed' will benefit HSSNM

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The motto for the new holiday season is "It's happening downtown." And in spite of the construction on the Downtown Mall, it's beginning now. The kickoff for your personal holiday season might well be a special, one-time Sunday matinee at the Black Box Theatre to benefit the Humane Society of Southern New Mexico.

On Sunday, Nov. 21, at 2:30 p.m., plan to see "Cockeyed," tickets only \$15. The play tracks a misbegotten romance, the pursuit of the beautiful Sophia by ordinary-good-guy Phil, with surprises and obstacles to be overcome by masculine ingenuity. This romantic comedy is suitable for all ages.

Critics have called it "fresh and invigorating" and "hilarious." The new production, first time in Las Cruces, is directed by Ceil Herman.

"Downtown revitalization" might be a description of how you'll feel after viewing this bright new production at the Black Box Theatre. This special theatrical experience is a relaxing way for animal lovers to support one of the most active animal welfare groups in the county. HSSNM is an all-volunteer organization, whose projects include helping rescued animals, the HSSNM pet help line, and humane education. Your ticket will help underwrite these activities.

You can reserve tickets in your name by calling Judy at (575) 541-8106 or Jean at (575) 522-2529. Refreshments will be provided at intermission and, as always, a chance to talk with the cast after the performance.

Plan to begin your holiday early with a few chuckles and belly-laughs, courtesy of HSSNM and the Black Box Theatre.

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