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Butte Show Brings Out the Holiday Spirit in Mining Country

The stage is set and the scene is Christmas Eve in 1890's Cripple Creek - an underground mine caves in and three miners are trapped – an all too familiar story even in modern times. The local story ends on an uplifting note that captures the spirit of the season.

Thin Air Theatre Company's, *Angel of the Christmas Mine*, returns to the Butte Theater this holiday season. First appearing in 2007, *Angel of the Christmas Mine*, combines professional and community acting talent for a great holiday outing for the whole family.

In the midst of a horrible mine collapse, three miners trapped below ground and their families above manage to find solace and hope in the face of tragedy. While their loved ones struggle to free the trapped men, the three miners tell each other Christmas stories to pass the time and keep their minds from worry - a poignant tale of love, hope, and the resilience of the human spirit. The show is followed by an all new Christmas Olio – featuring holiday songs and humor.

A Cripple Creek favorite, written by Chris Sorensen, is back for the 2010 Christmas season. The show runs Nov. 26-Dec. 31 Thursdays and Fridays at 7 p.m., Saturdays at 1 and 7 p.m. and Sundays at 1 p.m. Special show days and times will also be presented during the Christmas week.

Tickets are discounted for the show as a gift to patrons of the Butte: \$12.75 Adult; \$10.75 Senior (62 and over); \$7.75 Children (12 and under); Groups of 20+ \$9.75 each. For information, online reservations and schedules visit ButteOperaHouse.com or 719-689-3247.