

READERS THEATRE: LEGENDARY LADIES AND THEIR GENTS

Plays in This Book:

I. Molly Brown - She was Unsinkable!

This is Molly Brown's rags to riches tale. It portrays her relationship with silver miner, Jimmie Brown, and her fabled courage to save people on the sinking *Titanic*.

II. Amelia Earhart and the Powder Puff Derby

Amelia Earhart and nineteen other female aviators gather to reminisce about their harrowing adventure in the first All Women's Transcontinental Air Race in 1929. They flew from Santa Monica to Cleveland in rickety planes, stopping to fuel fourteen times over nine days. They questioned their sanity but not their love for flying.

III. Annie Oakley - A Wild West Legend

Annie Oakley came from humble backwoods beginnings to become the best and most exciting sharpshooter to grace the public on both sides of the ocean with her skill. Frank Butler became her husband and her most ardent supporter. For years they toured with Buffalo Bill's *Wild West Show*.

IV. The Harvey Girls - They Tamed the West

Fred Harvey made his mark in western history by bringing good food and friendly service to train depots on the Santa Fe railroad, and he created the Harvey Girls who won the hearts of travelers and amazed them with their charm, vivaciousness, and spunk.

V. Pauline Cushman - The Union Spy

A true story. Pauline Cushman, so the tale goes, helped save the Union Army from defeat. Then, she married a younger man and served as his deputy in Arizona, breaking new ground throughout her life.