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Guys In Ties return as favorites for Girl Scouts fundraiser

DUBUQUE, Iowa – The Guys in Ties comedy troupe is returning to the stage in Dubuque for a fundraising event for Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois.

Love to Laugh, a night of comedy, will begin at 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25 at the Hotel Julien, 200 Main St., Dubuque. Mystique Casino is a presenting sponsor for the event.

Guys in Ties are an elite traveling improv group that tailors its act for special events; they proved popular at last year's event for Girl Scouts. They have been combining wit, intelligence and humor to make truly unique and unforgettable improv shows for more than 15 years. Every Guys in Ties performer is a seasoned veteran of ComedySportz. Formerly known as Off The Cuff, past performances have included a variety of venues throughout the area.

Guys in Ties have opened for and performed with Weird Al Yankovic ("UHF"), Norm MacDonald ("Saturday Night Live"), Howie Mandel ("Deal Or No Deal"), Darrell Hammond ("Saturday Night Live"), Sinbad ("House Guest"), Brad Sherwood ("Who's Line Is It Anyway?") and others. They also have performed at the legendary Aragon Ballroom in Chicago and have an open run at The Bell Tower Theater in Dubuque, performing to sold-out audiences for more than five years.

In its 17th year, Love to Laugh is an annual event that helps benefit Dubuque area Girl Scouts. From 6 to 8 p.m. on the evening of the event, there will be hors d'oeuvres, a cocktail buffet, cash bar, silent auction, wine pull and 50-50 raffle. There also will be a silent auction with prizes including a Flexsteel recliner, an overnight package at the Hotel Julien, a spa makeover from Designworks and a pendant and earrings from Dolan Jewelers.

Tickets for Love to Laugh are \$25 per person and sponsorships remain available. To make reservations, contact Stacy Conforti, regional director, at the Dubuque Area Girl Scouts Leadership Center at 563.583.9169 or StacyC@GSEIWI.org.

More than 1,800 Dubuque area girls are served by Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois. Information is at GirlScoutsToday.com.