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*Angel of the Christmas Mine* is a timely tale about the heartbreak and hope that is a miner's life. The story centers on John Bell, a miner in the late 1800s, who brings his family to Cripple Creek in order to find a better life.

What he finds instead is hardship. When Christmas arrives, John finds he has no money to spend on his family. Determined, he accepts an extra shift in the Christmas Mine on Christmas Eve, a decision that will change his life forever.

During his shift, an explosion traps him and two other miners in the dark depths of the mine. It seems that only a miracle can save them... But isn't Christmas the time of miracles?

*Angel of the Christmas Mine* is a family show with music, laughter, magic and tears. Veteran Butte actors and TATC producers Mickey Burdick and Mel Moser will perform, as well Morgan Genko, Ashley Casteen (two favorites from TATC's successful 2007 summer and fall seasons) and Dylan McClintock from former Butte productions. The show will be directed by Chris Armbrister, veteran Butte actor, TATC producer and co-creator of the popular *A Cripple Creek Christmas Carol*.

This drama this is written by Chris Sorensen, who wrote this year's *Dr. Jekyll's*

*Medicine Show* as well as *The Vampire of Cripple Creek*, and co-created with Armbrister *A Cripple Creek Christmas Carol*. This is a brand new script for the Butte Theater stage and is the fourth professional show brought to Cripple Creek by TATC, formed by Armbrister, Burdick and Moser to produce year-round professional theater at the Butte.

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