

NEIGHBORHOODS

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Baldwin's Station Serving Up Murder Mysteries

Come and enjoy a time of mystery and excitement with family and friends at this year's Wild West Murder Mystery Party on Friday, August 26 at Baldwin's Station in Sykesville.

Wendy Olenik, coordinator of this event and owner of the Whodunnit for Hire murder mystery entertainment company, said that throughout the dinner attendees will be able to play along with the Wild West theme. They will have murderers and victims from the audience and everyone is welcome to play.

Olenik also said that she creates a different theme every year for this event and with the theme she creates a new mystery for the audience to solve. She has been producing this event at Baldwin's Station since 2010.

According to Olenik, Whodunnit for Hire writes customized mysteries, but this mystery is all based on comedy. The purpose is not to scare people, but to make them laugh.

"We've done several themes including the 1920s with flappers and gangsters, 1950s with Elvis impersonators, medieval themes with knights and wenches, pirates, zombies, spies..." Olenik said.

Since then, Olenik said, the most popular theme has been, "Let's Kill the Boss."

"We encourage the boss to play the victim. Once the dead body scene is done they return as themselves and try to solve *whodunnit* with their employees," Olenik said. "They don't miss a thing."

She said that people have lots of fun throughout the event.

"This mystery is a comedy. I love to make people laugh," she said. "It is good for the heart and soul."

Olenik will be playing Wendy Pigfly throughout the event and she will be greeting the guests.

According to Olenik, the guests are encouraged to come dressed as cowboys, saloon gals or whatever they would like to.



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This photo was taken during a Whodunnit for Hire murder Mystery in April 2016. The photo is of Tom Hall. "He had no idea he was going to be our victim until that night, about 10 minutes before we got started," said Wendy Olenik, coordinator of the upcoming Wild West Murder Mystery Parties at Baldwin's Station Restaurant.

If you miss the Aug. 26 Wild West Murder Mystery Party, Olenik said that people are welcome to come on three Fridays in the fall: Sept. 23, Oct. 28 and Nov. 4.

Admission to this event is \$60 plus tax and gratuity. This includes a three-course dinner with entree options, and happy hour drink prices all night. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the Mystery Dinner start at 7 p.m.

"Baldwin's Station restaurant is a perfect setting because the restaurant is a converted railroad station built in 1883," Olenik said. "Our Wild West Mystery is set in 1887."

For more information about this event or how to hire Whodunnit for Hire for your event, contact Olenik at 410-549-2722. You may find information by visiting www.WhodunnitforHire.com.

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