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MURPHEY SCHOOL RADIO SHOW RETURNS

Triangle favorites **Lee Smith** and **Frank Stasio** will join an all-North Carolina troupe for an old-time variety show to benefit local nonprofit agencies dealing with housing and homelessness on Saturday, November 12, and Sunday, November 13, 2011.

In the tradition of the *Grand Ole Opry* and *Prairie Home Companion*, the Murphey School Radio Show will feature performances, comedy and readings by local musicians and writers. The popular inaugural show in February was sold out and included Jill McCorkle, Jaki Shelton Greene, Danny Wallace, Bland Simpson, STELLA and the Piedmont Players. All the talent volunteered their time. The event raised more than \$10,000.

The format for the November show will be similar -- with some returning cast members and some new. In addition to Lee Smith and Frank Stasio, November performers include Gigi Dover and the Big Love, Harvey Dalton Arnold, Jennifer Evans and Rick Keena, Callie Warner, Jay Cartwright, poet Alan Shapiro and STELLA.

Agencies to benefit from the show are Housing for New Hope and Community Home Trust. The theme for the show will be "Home."

Seating is limited to 150 in the auditorium of the recently restored historic Murphey School in rural Orange County. The two-hour event will begin at 7:30pm on Saturday and will be recorded for broadcast. A repeat performance is scheduled for Sunday at 2pm.

The Historic Murphey School is located at 3729 Murphey School Rd. Durham. The show is sponsored by Shared Visions Foundation.

For more information about the agencies to benefit from the show www.housingfornewhope.org and www.communityhometruster.org.

Tickets go on sale October 1, 2011.

For more information, <http://murpheyschoolradio.net>