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***The death penalty - one of the most hotly debated issues of our time!!***

***SPECIAL AFTER-SHOW DISCUSSION WITH ACTOR MIKE FARRELL, BOARD PRESIDENT OF DEATH PENALTY FOCUS ~ ONE NIGHT ONLY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2006!!***

***The Chance Theater is pleased to announce that Actor Mike Farrell, Board President of Death Penalty Focus, will be present for an after-show discussion in conjunction with our Sunday, August 20, 2006, 6 p.m., presentation of the Orange County Premiere of Bruce Graham's provocative, award-winning play "Coyote On A Fence"***

**IN A NUTSHELL:**

WHAT: "Special After-Show Discussion with Actor Mike Farrell, Board President of Death Penalty Focus - The Chance Theater's Orange County Premiere of "Coyote on a Fence," by Bruce Graham

WHEN: *One Night Only!!* August 20, 2006  
Sun. 6 p.m.

HOW MUCH: \$25 General Admission  
\$22 Seniors/Students with ID

WHERE: The Chance Theater, 5552 E. La Palma Ave., Anaheim, CA 92807

INFO/RESERVATIONS: Theater Info Line 714.777.3033  
24/7 Ticket Line 800.838.3006  
24/7 tickets online [www.chancetheater.com](http://www.chancetheater.com)

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Best known for playing Captain B.J. Hunnicutt on the hit television series M\*A\*S\*H, Mike Farrell has long been involved in issues of concern to him. Farrell has explained that this involvement stems from his belief that being a responsible citizen means being willing to see conditions improve for the ultimate benefit of all. While his status as a recognized celebrity from his years with the well-loved show allow now for a larger audience, it is as citizen rather than actor that Farrell feels the need to be involved. Promoting human rights and opposing the death penalty are two of his prime concerns, making him a regular lecturer to interested audiences.

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In 1992, Farrell was asked to accept an appointment to the Board of Directors of Death Penalty Focus, a non-profit organization dedicated to the abolition of capital punishment through "grassroots organizing, research, and the dissemination of information about the death penalty and its alternatives." He was elected President of the organization's Board of Directors in the fall of 1994.

His numerous honors include, the Valentine Davies Award presented to him in 1996 by the Writers Guild of America, given to members: *"whose contribution to the entertainment industry and the community-at-large have brought dignity and honor to writers everywhere."* Additionally, in February 1998, Farrell was appointed to a three-year term on the Commission on Judicial Performance, an 11 member California State Commission that adjudicates complaints against judges in the state. That year, he also was cast in NBC-TV's "Providence" playing veterinarian Jim Hansen. In 2002, Farrell was elected First Vice President of the Screen Actors Guild in Los Angeles and serving in that capacity for three years. He also received the Donald Wright Award in 2004 from California Attorneys for Criminal Justice, only the third time in its 28 year history that the award has been presented to a recipient who was neither a lawyer nor a judge.

Farrell has been married to actress Shelley Fabares (star of ABC-TV's "Coach") since 1984. Last year in Stamford, Connecticut, they were Farrell and Fabares were presented with the "Tavel-Resnick Award" by "For Love of Life" "for significant contributions to society – by helping those in need."

If you would like more information, reservations or complimentary press passes, please call 714-777-3033.

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