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Pec Playhouse Theatre Releases **Quarterly Newsletter**

Welcome to our quarterly newsletter. We plan on using this to keep you informed on what is happening with PPT and our future plans for our new theater. We welcome your input. Please send us any information, requests or corrections at secretary@pecplayhouse.org'

When will we see a new theater?

Since our building collapsed in 2021, the board has been actively searching for a place for a new theater. They have researched several existing buildings as well as sites to build new. The have spent countless hours working with property owners, community leaders and PPT members. Unfortunately, for various reasons, none of those options has worked. They are, however, in negotiations for a site now that we hope we can reveal soon. Due to those negotiations and confidentiality, we are unable to reveal it at this time, but we will make any information public at the earliest possible time.

2024 Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting was held on January 20, 2024, at current board is as follows: the First Congregational Church in Pecatonica. All committees presented their reports. A proposal was made to change the By-laws by removing the restriction of anyone serving more than 8 years in any 10-year period. This change was voted on and accepted. New board

members were elected. The

Glen Wiegert (President), Brian Pauley (Vice-President), Laurie Miller (Treasurer), Lenny Adrignola (Secretary), Arnie Ames (Director), Arianne Baer (Director), Pam Clerk Reidenbach (Director), Angela Larson (Director) and Laura Wiegert (Director).



Committee Information

Want to get involved but don't know where to start? Here are all the committees and contact information.

Assets Management: This committee maintains all the properties owned by the theater – buildings, props, costumes, lighting and sound equipment, tools, etc. Brian Pauley (Chair) assets@pecplayhouse.org

Finance: This team manages all the financial aspects and resources of the theater, including budgets, donations, and grants. Bob Miller (Chair) Finance@pecplayhouse.org

Front of House: The purpose of the Front of House (FOH) Committee is to oversee all aspects of productions relating to patrons and volunteers involved in FOH activities, like ushers and box office workers.

Laura Wiegert (Chair) tickets@pecplayhouse.org

Programming & Events: Researching scripts and scheduling productions are just some of the tasks this team is responsible for. They also plan other events and activities like workshops and our annual fundraiser.

Michael Dice (Chair) programming@pecplayhouse.org

Publicity: The Publicity Committee oversees and manages all mass communications distributed to the media, members, volunteers and patrons. This includes creation of show programs & posters, press releases, and social media/print/radio/television advertising. Chair is open .Publicity@pecplayhouse.org

Volunteer Coordination: This committee recruits volunteers for our production teams and other events or programs. They also develop & implement plans to retain and recognize our volunteers. Chair is open. Volunteers@pecplayhouse.org

Youth Activities: Providing theater opportunities for youth of all ages in Pecatonica and surrounding communities is the responsibility of this committee. We offer activities such as our summer Children's Theater Camp, which further their appreciation and experience in the artistic and technical aspects of theatre. Chair is open .YouthActivities@pecplayhouse.org

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT—Brad Keyes



Brad and his wife (Coni) live near Rockton, IL, Brad first volunteered In the early 2000's after seeing his first show at PPT, "Clue, the Musical".He really got involved when his daughter, Laura became involved at PPT. Why just drive her to rehearsals when you can be part of the show too? That show was Oliver and Brad was in the chorus. Brad has served on the Board of Directors, learned to design lighting for a show, hung lights, helped build sets, headed up the renovation of the doctor's office for dressing rooms, and helped in many, many ways. Laura moved away to Peoria and Coni and Brad continue to volunteer. Coni on the Volunteer Committee and Brad behind the scenes evaluating for our new theater.. Brad has many favorite shows at PPT and loves being with the nice and friendly people of PPT. Three shows that come to mind when naming favorites are Escanaba in Da Moonlight as Ranger Rick, Miracle on 34th Street with his brother Dave, and Waste Mismanagement as lighting designer. No matter what the volunteer task, "I always enjoyed coming back because of the people!"

Upcoming Events

In 2024, we are planning on three performances and a fundraiser. We are currently exploring possible plays and venues. If you have any ideas for plays and/or places to perform, please e-mail programmingandevents@pecplayhouse.org. We will continue Trivia Nights and plan to participate in local parades and holiday celebrations. More details in our June newsletter and on our web site.

Outgoing Board Members

We would like to extend our gratitude to the outgoing board members whose terms expired. They were Matt Dodd, Amy Ter Hark and Austin Van Vleck. Thank you for all you did and what you still mean to PPT!

PPT Fun Facts

Since our first performance on August 8. 1991, we have put on over 150 shows, workshops and kids' camps. Over 1600 different people have been cast or crew members for those performances. And that doesn't include the countless other volunteers giving up their time in other areas. We have been fortunate.

"How can I help?"

Whether you want to read scripts, build sets, learn how to do lights, costumes, makeup, hair, graphic design, or grant writing we can always use help. Tell us where your interests lie and we will find the spot for you.

Pec Playhouse Theatre Board of Directors

President: Glen Wiegert (president@pecplayhouse.org) Vice President: Brian Pauley (vicepresident@pecplayhouse.org) Secretary: Lenny Adrignola (secretary@pecplayhouse.org) Treasurer: Laurie Miller (treasurer@pecplayhouse.org) Arnie Ames, Arianne Baer, Pam Clark Reidenbach, Angela Larson, Laura Wiegert

2024 Board Meetings at 6:30 p.m.

March 13	May 8	July 10	Sept 11	Nov 13
April 10	June 12	Aug 14	Oct 16	Dec 1

Other news

PPT is participating in the 50th anniversary of Midway Village in Rockford. Some of our members will be portraying historic Rockford figures. The event is June 16. Midway Village is located at 6799 Guilford Rd, Rockford, IL. More details will be available on out web site as the event nears.

Our thanks to First Congregational Church in Pecatonica for the use of their facility for our 2023 holiday play, *It's a Wonderful Life (Radio Play).* Also, thanks to the 386 patrons who attended.