

PONTIAC THEATRE IV

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2006-2007 SEASON

The Board of Directors are pleased to announce the shows for 2006-2007 Season. The shows with their performance dates are as follows:

Schoolhouse Rock

October 13, 14, 20 & 21, 2006

Inspecting Carol

December 1, 2, 8 & 9, 2006

Young Jane Eyre

March 9, 10, 16 & 17, 2007

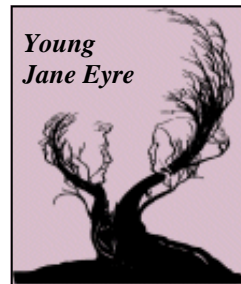
*Chicago***

April 27, 28, May 4 & 5, 2007



Inspecting Carol

Young Jane Eyre



At this time, all shows are schedule to be performed at Pontiac Northern HS.

**DUE TO UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, THE RIGHTS TO JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR HAVE BEEN PULLED AND WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR THE 2006-2007 SEASON. NO AMATEUR THEATRE COMPANIES WILL BE ALLOWED TO PERFORM JCS AT THIS TIME. THE BOARD HAS CHOSEN INSTEAD TO ACCEPT "CHICAGO-THE MUSICAL" AS SUGGESTED BY THE PLAYREADING COMMITTEE.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS...

Do you know who is on your Pontiac Theatre IV Board of Directors? At the Annual Membership Meeting last August, new members were elected and old members were re-elected. Pictured from left to right are **Jim Whitney** (President), **Monica Hirn** (Vice-President), **Don DeLaire** (Business Manager), **Mario Razo** (Props/Facility Mgr), **Janet Jimenez** (Secretary) and **John Tonner** (Treasurer). Not pictured is **Tom Tang** (Production Manager).

If you have any questions or comments for any of the board members, you may contact them through webmaster@pontiactheatreiv.org



Remember, we welcome input from the entire membership and board meetings are open to all Pontiac Theatre IV members. The next board meeting will be 1:30 pm, Sunday, April 23 at The Ruth Peterson Center. If you have an item you would like discussed at the meeting, contact **Jim Whitney** jnwhitney@comcast.net to have it placed on the agenda.

LOOKING FOR DIRECTORS AND PRODUCERS!

Now that we have announced the season, we are looking for those special persons who can take these shows and make them a success! Anyone interested in directing or producing any of the 2006-2007 shows should send a letter of interest and resume to the Board. Information may be sent via email through the website or to the PO Box listed at the top of the newsletter. **The deadline is May 17th.**

The Board hears the voice of the membership; the Board responds!

From the desk of the Vice President *Monica Hirn*

Over the years it has been noted that PTIV has a limited number of people to draw from for expertise in various areas of production. It seems there are only about 3 or 4 people who know how to set the lights at Northern. There are only a handful of people that have experience as Stage Managers. We only have a few proud Sound guys who know how to set up and effectively run the equipment. And finally, many of our aspiring actors have asked for guidance and training in audition technique and stage direction. You ask; we serve.

The Board has been working very hard to set up a series of Theatre Training Workshops which we are pleased to introduce to the membership. The 2-hour workshops will cover a wide variety of topics and will be taught by our more experienced and savvy members. The workshops will be held on Tuesdays, once a month, beginning in September, 2006 and continuing until May, 2007. There will be a minimal cost of \$10 per class to cover materials. You can sign up for any or all of the classes and can look forward to learning all of the secrets that these sages have held sacred for all these years.

Monica

A list of the Theatre Workshop Topics follows:

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- Introduction to Drama & Stage Blocking
 - How to Audition
 - Stage Management
 - Sound System Management
 - Lighting System Management
 - Set Design and Construction
 - Costume Management
 - Director's Workshop
 - Producer's Workshop
 - Kid's Forensics Workshop
 - Adult's Forensics Workshop Vocalization

This is a great opportunity for our membership and will ultimately strengthen our skills and expertise as a group. Sign up sheets and Theatre Workshop schedule information will be available shortly.

Sign Up!

Welcome to the Renaissance Festival

presented by Mid-America Festivals



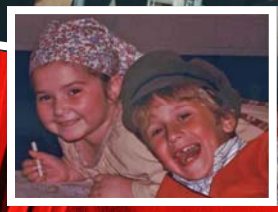
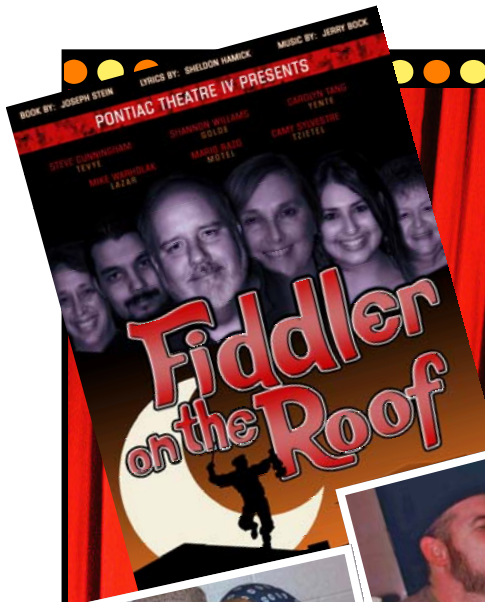
It's never too early to start thinking about the **2006 Michigan Renaissance Festival**. This is our single biggest fundraiser and unfortunately, we were short handed on the number of volunteers we needed for the 2005 Festival. Please keep in mind that our weekend to staff the festival's beer booths is generally the third weekend of September. Please clear your schedules and make yourself available to volunteer. There are three shifts; two on Saturday and one on Sunday. Mark this on your calendars. Tell family and friends to plan weddings, reunions, parties and births accordingly. Those of you who have worked the beer booth in the past, tell your friends how much fun it is to be a part of the festival "HUZZAH!" contact **Steve Cunningham** for more information on volunteering. **WE NEED YOU THERE TO HELP MAKE THIS FUNDRAISER A SUCCESS!**



Li'l Abner, a musical comedy based on the famous comic strip by Al Capp, is currently in rehearsal and will be presented on April 28th & 29th and May 5th & 6th. It is a hilarious, hillbilly romp that is entertaining for all ages. The production staff includes Director/Choreographer **Carmen Padilla**, Assistant Director **Dwayne Estes**, Musical Director **Scottie Moilanen**, Producer **Monica Hirn** and the mother/son team of **Carolyn** and **Tom Tang** as Assistant Producers.

Audiences will be treated to a special guest appearance of Fox 2 entertainment's **Jay Towers** in a cameo appearance in the role of The President of The United States. The Director is still in need of a few chorus members who are willing to dance.

We are also still looking for a few really "Buff", muscle men for the "Yokumberry Tonic" scene. (You'll see what that means if you come to the show!) So if you lift weights and look like Arnold Schwarznegger and are interested in joining the show or helping out backstage or with concessions, please contact **Monica Hirn** at (248) 681-9499 or e-mail Monihirn@aol.com or **Tom Tang** instanttanger1@aol.com



Agatha Christie's
THE MOUSETRAP

Mousetrap Moments...

Front row: Geoff Allen, Shayna Lax, Karen Dobson
 Back row: Nancy Mitchell, Dwaine Estes, Pete Beale, Mack Shaw, Roger Shuttleworth



Real life couple, Mack and Shayna, finally get to play opposite one another.





We are still looking for help with the storage of our properties and costumes. Thanks to the hard organizational work of people like **Tom Tang, Carl Tenuta, Jim and Carolyn Tang** and **Lori Curran**, things are coming along nicely.

You can still help. You won't even recognize the backstage area at Northern! We are in need of shelving units. If you have any old shelving or, if you have any connections to any stores going out of business and selling their fixtures, please contact **Tom Tang** instanttanger1@aol.com or 248-852-4037.

News & Info!

If you would like your news announced in future newsletters, you may contact us through the PTIV webmaster at webmaster@pontiactheatreiv.org or by sending correspondence to the PTIV P.O. Box listed on page 1.

SHAKE AT THE LAKE



This year's Shakespeare production will be "Taming of the Shrew" directed by **AmandaJane Shade** and produced by **Steve Cunningham**. Auditions will be **Sunday April 2nd at 5pm,**

April 3rd at 7pm and April 4 at 7pm at The Ruth Peterson Center, 990 Joselyn, Pontiac. Performances will be held on the grounds of the **Sylvan Lake Community Center** Thursday through Saturday, June 22-24 at 8pm and Sunday June 25th at 7pm. Plans are also in the works to do a children's version of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" on the same Saturday & Sunday afternoons. For more information contact **Steve** at merwynel@aol.com or **AmandaJane** at schadeaj@yahoo.com



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