

THE PALACE

Catch the Magic



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Coming Events

- November 7, 8, 9, 2:00 & 7:30 p.m.** – Movie Weekend (Title to be Announced)
 - November 14 & 15, 8:00 p.m.** – Harding High School presents “Once Upon A Mattress”
 - November 16, 3:00 p.m.** – Church Basement Ladies (heavenly, musical comedy)
 - November 21, 22, 23, 2:00 & 7:30 p.m.** – Movie Weekend (Title to be Announced)
 - November 27** – Box Office closed to observe Thanksgiving
 - November 30, 3:00 p.m.** – Marion Concert Band Christmas Concert
 - December 3, 10:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.** – School Matinee “The Plant That Ate The Dirty Socks”
 - December 5, 1:00 p.m.** – Coldwell Banker/Realty Plus Senior Movie Event
 - December 6, 8:00 p.m.** – Rita Coolidge Christmas with local children’s choir
 - December 7, 7:00 p.m.** – Marion Firefighters Concert (Artist to be Announced)
 - December 12, 13, 14, 2:00 & 7:00 p.m.** – Babes In Toyland, a dinner theatre local production in the new Pavilion with dinner beginning one hour prior to the shows
 - December 19, 8:00 p.m.** – Gallagher (No Sledge Show)
 - December 20, 8:00 p.m.** – Phil Dirt & The Dozers
 - December 24 - January 1** – Box Office closed to observe Christmas and New Year’s
 - December 26-31, 2:00 & 7:30 p.m.** – Holiday Movie Week (Titles to be Announced)
- On Sale NOW** – Local musician Johnny Steiner has just released 2 new CDs – *With Nothing To Do* (the songs of Cole Porter) and *December* (holiday classics). Johnny will do a CD signing at Crown Tower Coffee in Marion on Saturday, November 15 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. CDs are \$20 each and are available at Crown Tower, the Palace Box Office or online at www.johnnysteiner.com.

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No matter a person’s political preference, Republicans and Democrats alike are sure to share in the laughs when Capitol Steps launch into their hilarious perspective of the current political scene on Sunday, November 2 at 7:00 p.m.

In this politically charged season, this comedy troupe constantly updates their material, and they bill themselves as “equal opportunity offenders.” No matter whether Republicans or Democrats hold office, there has never been a shortage of material according to Capitol Steps Producer Elaina Newport. “Typically the Republicans goof up and the Democrats party. Then the Democrats goof up and the Republicans party. That’s what we call the two-party system.”

Known for putting the “mock” in democracy, the troupe was born from a group of Senate staffers who set out to satirize the very people and places that employed them. While not all current Steps are former Capitol Hill staffers, together the performers have worked in a total of eighteen congressional offices and represent 62 years of collective House and Senate staff experience.

All this fun began back in 1981 when Ronald Reagan was President. At that time, members of Senator Charles Percy’s staff were planning entertainment for a Christmas party, and they figured if Reagan, an entertainer, could become a politician then some politicians could certainly become entertainers. And that’s just what they did.

Digging into the headlines of the day, they created song parodies and skits which conveyed a special brand of satirical humor that could hit the funny bones of folks from “Peoria to Pennsylvania Avenue.”

The Capitol Steps are based in Washington, D.C. but most of their performances are presented out-of-town or performed for out-of-towners. They have entertained for the past 5 Presidents, and according to the Steps, “The only complaints we receive are from politicians and personalities we do not include in our program.”

Since they began, the Capitol Steps have recorded 26 albums, including their latest, “I’m So Indicted!” They’ve been featured on NBC, CBS, ABC,

and PBS. These staffers can also be heard four times yearly on Nation Public Radio stations during their “Politics Takes a Holiday” radio specials.

Don’t miss the musical, political satire of Capitol Steps on Sunday, November 2 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$27 and are available at the box office, 270 W. Center St., Downtown Marion. Box office hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Charge by phone 740/383-2101 or online at www.marionpalace.org.

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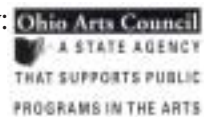
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Box Office Hrs M-F, 9am-5pm / Sat., 9am-Noon

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"Church Basement Ladies" bring their heavenly, musical comedy to the Palace stage on Sunday, November 16 at 3:00 p.m.

A celebration of the church basement kitchen and the women who work there, Church Basement Ladies is a new musical comedy featuring four distinct characters and their relationships as they organize the food and solve the problems of a rural Minnesota church about to undergo changes in 1964. From the elderly matriarch of the kitchen to the young bride-to-be learning the proper order of things, we see them handle a record breaking Christmas dinner, the funeral of a dear friend, a Hawaiian Easter Fund Raiser, and, of course, a steaming hot July wedding. They stave off potential disasters, share and debate recipes, instruct the young, and keep the Pastor on due course while thoroughly enjoying, (and tolerating) each other as the true "steel magnolias" of the church. Funny and down to earth, audiences will recognize these ladies as they witness the church year unfold from below the house of God. This is most certainly true!

Church Basement Ladies uses the renowned Scandinavian Lutheran humor writings of "The Lutheran Ladies," Janet Martin and Suzann Nelson, authors of a host of humorous books the most famous being *Growing Up Lutheran*. The script is by Jessica Zuehlke and Jim Stowell with music and lyrics by composer Drew Jansen, who gave us the music for the popular long-running hit musical, "How To Talk Minnesotan, The Musical."

A portion of the proceeds from this performance will go directly to provide clean, safe water for Africa through a contribution by the Lutheran churches of the ELCA to the African Water Well Projects.



for your information. . .in an attempt to eliminate confusion, the \$2 capital improvement fee has already been included in the reserved seat ticket price. These monies will assist in the upkeep and renovations of the historic facility and the completion of the new addition. Thank you in advance for your continued cooperation.



Rita Coolidge Christmas

Saturday, December 6, 8pm - \$27, \$32, \$37

Christmas comes early to the Palace Theatre with the gift of singer Rita Coolidge. Classic Christmas favorites, her own memorable hits, and a local children's choir will keep away the chill on a magical winter's night in Marion. Fans will get much more than they could imagine as Rita Coolidge, an all-around entertainer, keeps her audiences enthralled from beginning to end. Treat yourself and loved ones to this heart-warming holiday show. Sponsored by: **TIME WARNER CABLE**



Volunteers are Stars at the Palace

When you visit the Palace Theatre, whether for a film, a live performance, or any event for that matter, you're greeted and seated by some stars before you ever see the stars on stage or screen; those stars are Palace volunteers.

Recently the Palace recognized and thanked their volunteers for their many hours of service to the theatre and its patrons. Volunteers who had donated their time from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 were invited to attend a special night of music provided by Musikverein Siershahn, a German band. Volunteers were also treated to free popcorn. Immediately following the performance, the 25 volunteers who had donated the top number of hours were invited to a

special reception in the Scharer Patron Lounge. There they enjoyed desserts, and Volunteer Coordinator Daniel Bradshaw thanked them personally for their service and awarded each one a special star pin of recognition.

Those receiving top 25 awards included: Bill Becker, Kevin Becker, Miff Bender, Bette Brady, Dianna Coakley, Jeannette Ferguson, Ken Foreman, Shelbie Foreman, Ed & Cora Jane Gulliford, Kreig Hitz, Margo & Scott Hoffman, Macy Holston, Dave Kohler, Bob Lee, Delmar McLain, Penny Roberts, Helen Scowden, Kathy Sherman, Pat Taylor, Diane Tidd, Jo Ann Titus, Tom Wagner, Jean Yake, and Tom Yannitell.

As a non-profit organization the Palace relies heavily on our volunteer forces. If you would like to play a STAR role volunteering at the Palace, please contact the box office at 740/383-2101 or stop by 270 W. Center Street to fill out a volunteer application.

Arts Palace Opportunities

It's not too late to "fall" for the Arts Palace! If you are interested in getting involved in some hands-on arts opportunities for children, teens and adults, visit the Palace website (www.marionpalace.org) to learn about age appropriate classes such as Tappercize, Ball Room Dance, Quilted Tote Bags, Wine Tasting, Restorative Yoga Workshop, Culinary Arts: Kids in the Kitchen, Christmas Carvings, Holiday Candies, Gingerbread Houses, Interior Design: Countryopolitan Christmas, and Jewelry Design: Beading 101. To register or receive a brochure by mail, call 740/383-2101.

Palace Pavilion Booking Now

With final inspections completed, the Palace Pavilion's inaugural event was the Marion General Hospital Volunteer Recognition Banquet, followed up by the 2008 Haunted Palace's Jumbo's Carnival and Freak show. This versatile facility is perfect for all types of events and is now available for your rentals. Looking ahead, the Pavilion is already booked for a number of receptions, proms, and dinner theatre events. The Palace staff members are receiving numerous inquiries each week regarding available dates so call now to book your holiday party, reception, business luncheon, shower, convention or other personal gatherings. Additionally, the theatre's board is interested in receiving proposals for book plays, dinner theatres, dinner dances and more. If you are interested in presenting a production in the new pavilion, please contact the box office for more information (740/383-2101).

