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Tomah Arts Guild Gallery

on the 2nd floor of the
ACT building
New hours

Open by Appointment only!
Call 608-344-8128 or 608-343-5867
TAG will be open during ACT shows
and special occasions

If you are looking for a unique gift
or a personalized gift made to order, make sure to
visit the gallery and talk to one of the artists!

ROOM RENTALS

Area Community Theatre has the perfect
venue for a wide variety of events. Whether it
is a workshop, seminar, business meeting or a
family gathering for holidays, reunions, or
graduations we have an affordable space
available. The cost of rental for our 1st and
2nd floor meeting rooms is \$85.00. The
smaller area is \$60.00. Call Colleen for
availability at 608-343-0430.




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PRESENTS

BUYING THE MOOSE

A Hilarious Adult Comedy By Michael Wilmont
Directed by Sharon Larkin
October 5-8 & 12-15
Thurs - Sat 7:00pm
Sunday Matinee 2:00pm
Permission by Playwrights Guild of Canada



Area Community Theatre Presents

A Christmas CHAOS

ON STAGE

November 2-5 & 10-12
Call Box Office or Order Tickets Online

A Hilarious
Comedy!

Directed By
Steve Jones

By Michael Wehrli



A Presidential Address.. Steve Jones

Hello Dear Friends,
So many things have happened over the last few months. We lost the Chamber as our renter. The board has decided to take over the chamber area and put our business offices and box office down there. We will have more room and as a board we can accomplish a lot more. This also gives us someone on the premises for those deliveries and for security reasons.

In September we will start up our Theatre workshops. The education committee has put together a great way for kids to come out and learn. These are a few workshops/classes per month with a very reasonable fee of \$25 per month. Watch for the schedules and dates on our website. If you know anyone who is interested in the workshops contact me at ACT.

Our next show “Buying the Moose” will be held October 5-8 and 12-15. This is a very funny play with one misunderstanding after another and shows how things can go awry by what we see without knowing the facts.

Our “Escaping the Zombie Apocalypse” haunted house will open from 7-11p.m. October 27 and 28. You and your group will be guided through zombie infested tunnels that are not always what they seem. You will have to think on your feet work as a team to make it out alive. This experience is only \$5.

On Oct 28th ACT will be holding our 2nd 5K Run/Walk Monster Dash. Registration begins at 10:30am in our downstairs hallway, and the race itself begins at noon. There will be prizes for best costume as well as runners in each age category. A spaghetti lunch will follow the race, and is included in the registration fee. Register before October 15, and save! Check our website for details.

I will be directing the play “Christmas Chaos”, where a community theatre group only has seven hours to put on the play “A Christmas Carol”, but anything and everything goes crazy. If anything can go wrong on, off, or behind the stage, IT DOES. This is a very funny and fast-paced play. Just watch for our ads and check us out on Facebook and our website. New and exciting things are coming our way. Hoping that you come here with us to join in with the fun.

I want to thank all those who have put so much time and effort into the shows, box office, facility manager, stage helpers, all those who do so much but are not seen, the directors and all those who not only donate their time, but money as well! To each and every one of you, I give my deepest and sincerest heart-felt gratitude! We are always looking for a few good men and women to be actors and actresses, stage crew, stage hand, house workers and box office volunteers. So if you’re looking for a good time and would love to help, give us a call or stop in anytime. We are also looking for individuals interested on getting on the Board of Directors or helping us with fund-raising.

Presidential Address cont.

These are all very important and needed. “Remember there is not such thing as a small part, everyone is very important!”

Looking forward to seeing you here!
God Bless
Steve Jones

From the Director...Sharon Larkin

“Buying The Moose”

ACT,it is truly an honor for me to bring another smash hit to the ACT stage for your enjoyment. Whenever Terry and I see a play as funny as “Buying the Moose” we feel it has to be seen by our ACT friends. Along with the well written play, I bring you a very talented cast, consisting of ever popular Mel Carroll as Cheryl, our returning star Joe Minney as Greg, a talented newcomer to the ACT stage Laura Rowan as Betty and my oldest son Mike, who is an ACT veteran, as Rob. This great cast will make you laugh like you did at “Sex Please We’re Sixty”, so don’t miss it!

Once again, we will open with a “Ladies Night Out”, serving wine at a reception an hour before the show on Thursday. October 5th. Did you miss all the fun at the last event? Then join us for this one. We will be happy to reserve a table for your group. If the man in your life just can’t resist the sound of a wine reception and is willing to put up with all the chatter, bring him along! Get your tickets early to assure that we will have a seat for you. The box office opens September 25 at 2:00pm.

Whatever you do, don’t miss seeing “Buying the Moose” at in October. See you at the theatre!

Sharon

From the Director...Steve (Barnabee) Jones

“Christmas Chaos”

I’m very happy to get another chance to put on another Christmas show for you. The play is called “Christmas Chaos”. It is a run-off of “A Christmas Carol”. There is a very large cast who each play several parts, including a person with their own name. You may recognize a few of the names and faces like Gary Frei who has graced our stage several times, Jackie Klinge, Lori Ripley and Brynn Rowan. Some who are returning from last year’s “Santa Letters” are Haddie Georgenson, Cale Ollendick and Nevin Hawver. We have a some new faces, Delenn Rowan, Isabelle Lieser, Alison Prise-Bernette, Angel Samsal, Bonny Godfrey, Jordyn Prise, Allie Dowson and Jordan Brooner.

The setting is the Area Community Theatre, where we have hired the Royal Shakespeare Company to come in and perform their stirring rendition of “A Christmas Carol”. We just found out that instead of coming to Tomah, Wisconsin, they went to Tomah Colorado. Now they are snowed in at Denver and can’t get a flight out until after the storm. So, now it is up to the Tomah theatre to put this bunch of actors and technicians to pull together their own production in less than seven hours!

Have you ever experienced backstage mayhem? Well, you haven’t seen anything yet! Chaos comes crashing down as two kids start fighting over who gets to play Tiny Tim, a confused actor thinks she’s in another show, and another actor tries to play both

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.....

Your ACT Board of Directors is excited to announce the offices are moving! We will soon be occupying the area on the north side of the first floor formerly rented by the Chamber of Commerce!

The Box Office will occupy the front reception office, which will give us a much larger and beautiful office in which to work more efficiently. Patrons wishing to purchase their tickets in advance will purchase them at the new office, entering through the northeast entrance with the pillars in front. We will continue to utilize the former box office as a will-call ticket area an hour before each show.

The executive offices and work room will also be located in that lower area. Should you find a need to stop in at any time other than during box office hours, please feel welcome to enter through the same area, via the northeast entrance. During office hours, someone will be available to assist you.

Watch for our exciting grand opening and ribbon cutting. We would love to have you join us to celebrate another milestone in the growth of your theatre!

BOX OFFICE NEWS.....

Along with the exciting change in the location of our box office, your Board of Directors has made some changes in the ticket prices beginning the first of the year 2018. We are excited to announce that ACT will be selling SEASON TICKETS, instead of member discounts. Single tickets for each show will be \$20 each, with student tickets selling for \$10. By purchasing a 2018 season ticket for only \$75, you can save \$25, which is more than the cost of a single show ticket! ACT has five shows every season.

2018 season tickets will go on sale when the box office opens for our production of, “A Christmas Chaos” and will be available for several months. A season ticket will make a wonderful Christmas gift for anyone and everyone! Don’t forget the Area Community Theatre when you make out your Christmas shopping list or your own wish list. Give the gift that all will enjoy, the gift of entertainment and memories.

MEMBERS:

Since we will be going to season tickets sales, tickets for the plays will be sold without a “member” discount. HOWEVER, don’t give up your membership. We plan to have our members become an exclusive group of ACT special supporters. ACT membership will continue to consist of those people who wish to help the theatre grow and prosper, even without the monthly renters who were such a help to pay our mortgage and expenses. Watch for further plans and news about member events and specials. We Love our members and appreciate your support!!

NEW SHOW TIMES

The ACT board of Directors has voted to move our evening show times up half an hour to 7:00pm. Sunday matinees will continue to begin at 2:00. Remember all our evening shows will now begin at 7:00pm.