



Special points of interest:

- The Holland Theatre is now officially on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Check out the mysterious Lady that has returned to make the Holland her home (see page 3).
- Visit the Holland's booth at the Logan County Fair — July 17th through July 22nd.
- Visit the Holland and the Arts Center Gallery during Honda Homecoming July 26th, 27th, and 28th.
- The Top of Ohio Cruisers' Cruise-In Benefit for the Holland will be in downtown Bellefontaine from 7-9:30 on Saturday, August 11th.

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The President's Corner: Updating You on Holland Happenings

Have you driven by the Holland Theatre lately? If you have, you most likely were watching where you were driving, but were still aware that you were passing by the theatre. Well, you really need to stop the car, get out, and take several long looks at the Holland.

You will gaze upon a beautiful piece of architecture. It has been restored on the outside and once again graces our downtown with dignity. Go ahead and walk completely around the building.



In fact, it is so large you could walk around it three times and use it as your morning workout, instead of the boring treadmill. That unique architecture

has won us a spot on the National Historic Register!! That's right, we have a national landmark right here in Logan County! And one of these days

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Schine's Holland Theatre: Officially Listed on the National Historic Register

The Logan County Landmark Preservation, Inc. recently received word that the National Park Service, United States Department of the Interior listed the Schine's Holland Theatre on May 25, 2001, on the National

Register of Historic Places.

Though no restrictions are placed on the property, Landmark Preservation, the architects, and the Ohio Historic Preservation Office will work hand-in-hand to preserve the

historic integrity of the building and to sensitively incorporate contemporary alterations with the historic fabric.

A special thanks goes out to former board member Miles Armentrout for his work on this project.

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we are going to have a BIG party to celebrate that restoration.

Someone told me the other day that this is the best they have seen the Holland in 41 years!! And it has happened because of your great support. People all over Logan County have a great desire to see this Dutch, patented theatre back in operation some day in the future, There have also been many volunteers that have put in countless hours of blood, sweat and tears into this project and continue to do so every day. So, a big "thanks" to everyone that has helped in

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some way to further our cause. Of course, there is much more restoration that will take place on the outside, such as the vertical Holland sign the marquee, and the replacement of some windows, just to name a few.

There are many things that are happening "behind the scenes" that we will be able to announce soon. Since I have been president I have learned that it takes longer than expected to do certain jobs that are necessary for our success. However, we are very busy talking to our architect, van Dijk Pace Westlake of Cleveland, finalizing plans and drawings. It is very

exciting and you will soon see the results.

We have many activities planned this summer where we will be able to keep you abreast of everything happening at the Holland. They are the Logan County Fair, July 17-22; the Honda Homecoming, July 26-28; and the 2nd Annual Holland Theatre Cruise Night Bellefontaine on August 11th. More details are in this newsletter.

Yes, the summer breezes have been favorable for the Holland and we hope to see you soon at our upcoming events. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Holland, Monday through Friday from 10:00-3:00.

Chuck Croutwater,
President

How You Can Lend a Helping Hand



Restoring the Holland Theatre is no easy matter and it takes much effort, both man hours and financial contributions. And our need is ongoing.

We are asking individuals that have given gifts in the past to renew their commitment to the Holland. People who have not donated, please take this opportunity to become a part of the movement to restore the Theatre and create the Logan County Arts Center at the Holland.

Save the Holland Theatre Donation Card

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Donation _____ Check enclosed _____ Charge _____

Visa or Master card # _____ Expiration date _____

Please send donations to: Logan County Landmark Preservation, Inc.
The Holland Theatre Project
PO Box 524
Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

FAQ (Frequently Asked Question)

“Why isn’t the Holland open and presenting programs?”

If you have visited the theatre recently, you are aware of the many great changes (i.e., see the President’s Corner). As a result of moving the multiplexing, taking out an unfinished game room, etc., the main theatre space is completely covered in a thick layer of dirt and concrete dust. Soon the Trustees will be asking for volunteers to do a major clean-

up including walls, floors, theatre seats, decorative facades, etc. Once the theatre is clean enough for use, the last stumbling blocks include getting the necessary approvals from safety authorities such as the local Fire Department, the State Fire Marshall, EPA, the County Health Department, and possibly others. Before scheduling performances, we must know the area is completely safe and that our liability insurance cannot be chal-

lenged in case of an accident. The Trustees are as anxious as you, our public, to begin programming, but we have an obligation to insure everyone’s comfort and safety while in the building.



Things are Happening this Summer

The Holland will be involved in many activities through out the summer:

- ◆ The Holland Theatre will have a booth at the Logan county fair July 17th –22nd. Stop by, say hi, and find out what’s going on with the Theatre. Pick up our new brochure and maybe even buy a Holland t-shirt or candle holder. All proceeds go to the Holland Theatre project.
- ◆ While checking out the Honda Homecoming on July 26, 27, and 28, be sure to visit the Holland and see what we’ve been up to first hand
- ◆ On July 12th, 13th, and 14th Bellefontaine Encore Summer Theatre in conjunction with the Holland Theatre will be presenting the musical “**big**” at the 1st Presbyterian Church in Bellefontaine. Admission can be reserved through the Holland Theatre by calling 592-9002

from 9-4 daily and 12:30-4 on Sunday. Admission is \$5.00.

- ◆ On Saturday August 11th the 2nd Annual Holland Theatre Cruise Night Bellefontaine will be presented with proceeds to benefit the theatre. It is sponsored by Top of Ohio Cruisers. Come and see the classic cars, rock to the oldies music, and enjoy the food, crafts, theatre tours and prizes.

A Lady Returns to the Holland

A beautiful young lady with a Mona Lisa smile returned to the Holland Theatre in June. The painting, “Lady with Cello”, which in the past graced the walls of the landing of the balcony stairs, was presented to the Theatre by Diana Vicario Hawkey.

Mrs. Hawkey’s father, Richard Vicario, was a part-owner of the Holland Theatre in the past. When he and his

partners sold the building, the paintings were removed and eventually Diana came into possession of the “Lady.”

Right now the painting is hanging in the Landmark Preservation’s boardroom. It will be a great day when the Holland is restored to its former splendor and the “Lady with Cello” again can look down from her place on the wall.



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Calendar of Events

July	Monday, July 9th	7:00 p.m.	Holland Board of Trustees Meeting
	Monday, July 23rd	7:00 p.m.	Holland Board of Trustees Meeting
August	Monday, Aug. 6th	7:00 p.m.	Holland Board of Trustees Meeting
	Monday, Aug. 20th	7:00 p.m.	Holland Board of Trustees Meeting
September	Monday, Sept. 3rd	7:00 p.m.	Holland Board of Trustees Meeting
	Monday, Sept. 17th	7:00 p.m.	Holland Board of Trustees Meeting

To be announced — coming soon — the End of Phase 1 Celebration

“BIG” THE MUSICAL JULY 12-14 AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

VISIT OUR BOOTH AT THE LOGAN COUNTY FAIR JULY 17-22

HONDA HOMECOMING JULY 26, 27, AND 28

TOP OF OHIO CRUISERS CRUISE-IN BENEFIT AUGUST 11TH

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