

## Did You Know?

- ❑ You can find coming events, membership news, read about the Holland Theatre's history and more on our new web site at [www.thehollandtheatre.org](http://www.thehollandtheatre.org).
- ❑ 2006 will mark the 75th anniversary of the Holland Theatre. Celebration details to follow.



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## Capital Development Campaign Stage Three Fundraising Objectives Are Determined

Your historic Holland Theatre is moving into Stage Three of the restoration plan. (For details on what has been accomplished in Stages One and Two see the thermometer graphic on page 2.)

Stage Three consists of mechanical and staging updates that will allow the Holland to provide entertainment in a safe and comfortable environment. This Stage will include the design and installation of new heating and cooling systems plus a new electrical wiring system to handle the new heating and cooling. Renovation of the men's restroom is included in this phase to bring it up to code and to make it handicapped accessible.

Also included in Stage Three are critical upgrades to the stage area. These upgrades will enable the Holland to host professional acts whose demands are currently unable to be met. The improvements include a new stage floor and limited lighting upgrades. Minimal curtains and rigging to hold the temporary curtains are needed and will improve the sound in the auditorium. Dressing rooms will



Happy area elementary students line up following a performance of "Charlotte's Web" at the Holland.

complete Stage Three.

The total estimated cost of Phase Three is \$1,750,000. The LCLP, Inc., and the Holland Theatre, Ltd. are well on their way to raising these funds. They have obtained a \$200,000 federal "Save America's Treasures" matching grant and a \$100,000 grant from the State of Ohio through the Ohio Cultural Facilities Commission.

Locally, the Logan County Commissioners have awarded the Holland a \$25,000 CDBG grant to be used toward the total renovation cost of the men's restroom. The Bellefontaine Cultural Arts Commission (\$12,000) and the Bellefontaine Encore Summer Theatre (\$2,500) have donated money toward the stage flooring. (The total

flooring cost is estimated to be \$21,500.00.)

The Holland Theatre will continue to seek funding from governmental, industrial and organizational sources, **but, help from individual donors and supporters is a critical need for this project.** Now is the time to get on board to help provide a wonderful venue for local and national talent to perform!

Think how great it will be to have musicians, actors, and comedians — that you currently must travel many, many miles to see perform — appearing right here in Bellefontaine! If you are interested in donating to the Holland Theatre, call 937-592-9002. Your donation is 100% tax deductible.

# Your Historic Holland Theatre

## Current Funding Objectives for Stage Three

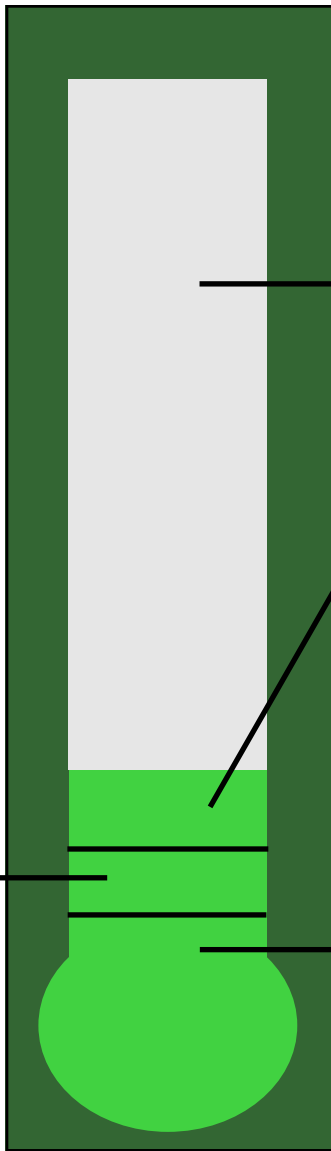
This will provide entertainment in a safe and comfortable environment.



**STAGE TWO  
(Completed)**  
**Making the Theatre safe for limited use**

- Removal of multiplexing
- Some cosmetic repairs
- Limited electrical work on the stage
- Exit lighting and fire safety
- CDBG grant to renovate the women's restroom, making it ADA compliant

• **TOTAL: \$159,990**



**STAGE THREE  
(To Be Completed)**  
**Mechanical and Staging updates**

- Design and installation of new heating and cooling systems
- New electrical system to handle new HVAC equipment
- Renovation of men's restroom
- Stage flooring and limited lighting
- Back-drop curtain and rigging to hold curtains
- Dressing Rooms

A matching federal grant from "Save America's Treasures" for \$200,000, \$100,000 from the State of Ohio, a \$12,000 grant from the Bellefontaine Cultural Arts Commission (for stage flooring), a contribution of \$2,500 from the Bellefontaine Encore Summer Theater (for stage flooring) and a new CDBG grant of \$25,000 received from the Logan County Commissioners (for the men's restroom) will be applied toward this goal. See page 6 for additional initial recent private and corporate contributions.

• **TOTAL: \$1,750,000**

**STAGE ONE  
(Completed)**  
**Securing the outer integrity of the building**

- Purchase of the Holland Theatre
- New roof and gutters
- Tuck pointing
- Emergency Repairs

• **TOTAL: \$503,360**

Amounts shown for Stage Three are estimates and are subject to change contingent upon how long it takes to raise funds for this stage.

### FUTURE GOALS FOR YOUR HISTORIC HOLLAND THEATRE

**STAGE FOUR  
(To Be Completed)**  
**Technical Updates and Renovation**

- New sound system
- New lighting for the stage
- New seating and carpeting
- Second floor renovation for classrooms, studios, and rehearsal space

**STAGE FIVE  
(To Be Completed)**  
**The "Icing on the Cake" Stage**

- "Holland" vertical sign and Marquee
- Full restoration of the auditorium
- Restoration of the inner and outer lobbies

**Ongoing Fundraising Goal  
(To Be Completed)**  
**Raising money for the Holland Theatre Endowment Fund**

These funds will be used for maintaining the building today and after it has been restored. Funds will also be used for programming.

## New Executive Director on Board at the Holland

Mr. Gary Haber has come on board as the Executive Director of the Holland Theatre. He comes with a strong background in the arts which includes being the Arts Coordinator for the Champaign County Board of MRDD and the Director of the Bellefontaine Cultural Arts Commission. More recently, Mr. Haber organized and produced the Tsunami Survivors Relief Concert which was held on February 4, 2005. This concert raised more than \$6,000 for Oxfam America's Tsunami Relief fund!

Mr. Haber's role at the historic Holland Theatre will include programming, publicity, and public relations. He will work hand in hand with the Holland's volunteers, committees, Logan County Landmark Preservation, Inc., and the Holland Theatre Ltd. as restoration and fundraising progress.

Concerning his role at the Holland, Mr. Haber said, "Approximately seven years ago, I took my first tour of Schine's Holland Theatre. I could hear the laughter and the joy from the past all rolled up into an energy just waiting to be set free as this historical landmark prepared for its rebirth. A great deal of hard work and generosity by the people who once enjoyed growing up in this one-of-a-kind atmospheric theatre has brought us to a point where the doors have been opened for a new generation to be entertained, inspired, and enlightened.

I am following in the footsteps of the dedicated leadership that has made this possible, and I am proud to be a part of the historic Holland Theatre's rebirth. I invite your suggestions and recommendations as we once again reach for the stars and make the Holland Theatre 'Schine.'"



*Gary Haber, New Executive Director of  
the Holland Theatre*

## 2005 Cruise Night Bellefontaine on Slate for August 13



*One of the classic cars from a past Cruise-In*

The 2005 Cruise-In sponsored by the Top of Ohio Cruisers will again fill the downtown area of Bellefontaine with classy classic cars. Each year the annual car show seems to grow in numbers and quality.

Many vendors will be on hand to please the public with tasty delights and refreshing beverages. In addition to food vendors, there will be a variety of interesting crafts, artwork, and merchandise for sale. Several downtown businesses will stay open.

Entertainment will fill the streets as well. You may take in the sound of the Mad River Valley Dulcimers in the Holland Theatre; skits and readings will be performed by Center Stage Productions in the Theatre as well. Enjoy music pro-

vided by Studebaker Hawk and Drew Franklin and great dancing and routines by the Hi Point See Saws and Razz-ma-Tazz.

The historic Holland Theatre will be conducting raffles and also provide tours of the Theatre. Please stop in and see how the theatre is progressing. Proceeds from the raffles and donations will benefit the restoration and operation of your historic Holland Theatre. So please join us August 13 for an evening of hot cars, good food, fine entertainment, and lots of fun in downtown Bellefontaine!

## Membership? Capital Development?

If you are reading this newsletter, we know you care about the Holland Theatre! If you're reading this newsletter, we also know you're a busy person and may not have the time to follow all the decision-making and long-range planning ideas. So, you may be confused by the two campaigns that have been launched — a Membership Campaign and a Capital Development Campaign. Why two?

The short answer is that funds generated from the Membership Campaign are intended to pro-

vide the operating money for your Holland Theatre — utility charges, office supplies, etc. The Capital Development Campaign seeks to solicit funds for building improvements that will restore your Holland to its original grandeur while providing a dedicated center for the arts in Logan County and surrounding area. Membership and Development are BOTH vital components.

Please become a MEMBER of the Holland Theatre as well as a CONTRIBUTOR to assist in our continuing efforts to "Reach for the Stars!" (See application on Page 5.)

### Membership Levels

**STUDENT LEVEL — \$15** per year. This level will receive the following: newsletter, event announcement post card, one backstage tour, and a small delft wooden shoe token.

**INDIVIDUAL LEVEL — \$30** per year. This level will receive the following: newsletter, event announcement post card, one backstage tour, and a delft wooden shoe token.

**DUAL LEVEL —** (Any two people living in the same household) **\$40** per year. This level will receive the following: newsletter, event announcement post card, backstage tour for two, and a delft wooden shoe token.

**INDIVIDUAL PLUS ONE —** (Member and a guest) **\$60** per year. This level will receive the following: newsletter, event announcement post card, one backstage tour for two, 10% discount for two people at one event priced at \$20 or less, and a delft wooden shoe token.

**FAMILY OF 4 — \$90** per year. This level will receive the following: newsletter, event announcement post card, one backstage tour for four, 10% discount on four classes (with approval of the instructor), and a delft wooden shoe token.

**LION SHIELD — \$150** per year. This level will receive the following: newsletter, event announcement post card, one backstage tour for four people, 10% discount on two classes (with approval of the instructor), 10% discount for two people at two events priced at \$20 or less, acknowledgement in event programs and newsletter, a small delft windmill or canal house, and an invitation to meet performers at one event per year.

**DOUBLE LION SHIELD — \$300** per year. This level will receive the following: newsletter, event announcement post card, one backstage tour for four people, 10% discount on two classes (with approval of the instructor), 15% discount for four people at two events priced at \$20 or less, acknowledgement in event programs and newsletter, a small delft windmill or canal house, and an invitation to meet performers at one event per year.

**CASTLE SHIELD — \$500** per year. This level will receive the following: newsletter, event announcement post card, one backstage tour for six people, 10% discount on two classes (with approval of the instructor), 20% discount for six people at two events priced at \$20 or less, acknowledgement in event programs and newsletter, a large delft windmill or canal house, and an invitation to meet performers at one event per year.

**EAGLE SHIELD — \$1000** per year. This level will receive the following: newsletter, event announcement post card, one backstage tour for 6 people, 10% discount on two classes (with approval of the instructor), 25% discount for six people at three events priced at \$20 or less, acknowledgement in event programs and newsletter, a large delft windmill or canal house, and an invitation to meet performers at one event per year.

### The Holland Theatre Recognizes Windmill Level Members

#### Lion Shield

Katie and Forrest Amidon  
 Belle Printing  
 James and Kay Burkett  
 Steve and Toni Cox  
 John and Suzanne Dennis  
 David and Peggy Dishop  
 Kathy Gagnon  
 Tim and Pat Irwin  
 Marlos and James John  
 Annie King  
 David and Linda Leiter  
 Randy and Marla Longenecker  
 Mark and Martha O'Connor  
 Malcolm and Jerry Pennell  
 Ray and Kristine Swisher  
 Wils and Gerrie Van Dam  
 Kim Wilson  
 Joe and Vicki Yoakam

#### Double Lion Shield

David and Tammy Gump

#### Castle

John and Joan Kelly  
 Doug and Marge MacGillivray  
 Mick and Jane Reed  
 Joanne and Jerry Ritter

#### Eagle

The Barnwell Family  
 Bill and Lea Lewis



School children board busses in front of the Holland. Three matinee performances of "Charlotte's Web" were presented for the elementary schools in the area.



On April 14th one of the windmills in the auditorium of the Holland Theatre turned for the first time in many, many years.



Internationally known jazz saxophonist Greg Abate performed at the Holland Theatre with the Kent Burnside Trio.

## Tours at the Holland Theatre

Have you always wondered what lies beneath the Holland Theatre? Where the dressing rooms were located? What rooms are above the Gallery and Theatre Office? What is the history of the Holland Theatre?

If so, then a tour of the historic Holland Theatre is your answer. The Membership Committee's trained docents would love to take you on a tour of the historic building and fill in all of the blanks for you.

Many of the Class Reunions held in

the area make a tour of the Holland as part of their agenda. It's a great way to bring out those old high school memories of first dates at the Holland.

Members of the Holland Theatre also get an in-depth backstage tour as one of their benefits of membership. The next membership tour will be July 24. Brief tours will also be given at the August Cruise-In.

Call 937-592-9002 to book a tour.



A Members Tour Group assembles outside the Holland Theatre Office as Margaret Piatt points out architectural details on the theatre's exterior.



The Swedish folk instrumentalist group Väsen played at the Holland Theatre in May. Ally Bain and Ale Moller, another acclaimed international act, also appeared in May.



Andy Mellum, playing Wilbur the pig, and Lauren Stapleton playing Fern, appeared in Center Stage Production's staging of "Charlotte's Web." Photo by Doug Loehr.

### HOLLAND THEATRE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Yes! I would like to become a member!

\_\_\_\_ New      \_\_\_\_ Renewal      \_\_\_\_ Gift

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Level (Select one.)

**Wooden Shoe:**

- Student - \$15.00
- Individual - \$30.00
- Dual - \$40.00
- Individual plus One - \$60.00
- Family of 4 - \$90.00

**Windmill:**

- Lion Shield - \$150.00
- Double Lion Shield - \$300.00
- Castle Shield - \$500.00
- Eagle Shield - \$1,000.00

**Mail to:**

**The Holland Theatre**  
**P.O. Box 524**  
**Bellefontaine, OH 43311**  
**Telephone 937.592.9002**

A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed and made payable to *Logan County Landmark Preservation, Inc.*

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my \_\_\_\_\_ VISA, \_\_\_\_\_ MC Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**LOGAN COUNTY LANDMARK PRESERVATION, INC**

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## Calendar of Events

**Honda Homecoming**  
July 28, 29, and 30

**BHS Class of 55 Tour of Holland**  
August 5

**2005 Cruise Night Bellefontaine**  
August 13

### Dutch Bulb Sale

Order before August 30!  
Call the Holland Office (937-592-9002)  
between 9:30 and 1:30 weekdays or contact Woody Amidon at 599-3763 to place an order.

**The months of August and September are not being scheduled for performances. It is planned that new stage flooring will be installed during those months.**

## A big THANK YOU for recent donations to the "Save America's Treasures" Matching Grant Fund!

### *Government and Organization Grants and Contributions*

Logan County Commissioners CDBG Grant .....	\$25,000.00
Bellefontaine Cultural Arts Commission .....	\$12,000.00
Bellefontaine Encore Summer Theater .....	\$ 2,500.00
Center Stage Productions .....	\$ 3,000.00
VFW Charities of Ohio Post 1080 .....	\$ 1,000.00

### *Initial Private and Corporate Contributions*

The Barnwell Family .....	\$10,000.00
Duff Quarry, Inc. ....	\$ 1,000.00
Barbara Syron Jones .....	\$ 300.00
Stanton M. Jones .....	\$ 500.00
Tom and Caroline Notestine .....	\$10,000.00
John and Sharon Shultz .....	\$ 500.00
Josip and Tonia Terebuh .....	\$10,000.00