

# **Strand Theatre Shelbyville, Inc.**

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## **Strand Theatre Weekly Email: July 26, 2012**

Written by David on July, 26 2012

So close, yet so far. Our marquee says "11 TO GOAL". We are a mere 11 people shy of having 44,436 total patrons. That is equal to our total Shelby County population. Some lucky person will put us over the top at Friday's magic show. We have enjoyed welcoming each and every one of you who help make up that total. In order to help us along, the Strand held an impromptu "Over-The-Top" party on Wednesday July 25th. We showed a funny Abbott and Costello film and gave everyone free popcorn and drinks. While we didn't quite get over the top, we had fun!

During events our volunteers are busy doing things around the theatre. On Wednesday we had two light switches fail in one of our basements. (Did you know the Strand has 3 separate basements?). While everyone was having a good time, Bob S. was a busy bee changing those switches. We now have nice new safe switches. That is one less thing to break in the near future.

Our regular air handling system and ice machine maintenance occurred this week. It isn't glamorous, but it needs to occur at regular intervals. It takes a couple of hours to get to, open and replace all the various air handler filters. The ice machine is completely disassembled, cleaned and sanitized. These are things we have had to learn as we have gone along. It was also the ideal opportunity for our monthly fire extinguisher and emergency light checks. We discovered 3 weak batteries in our emergency lights. These are on order and will be replaced yet this week. The fun just keeps coming!

Did you notice all the cars in front of the Strand this week? So did we. It was the Shelby County Players getting ready for their production of Damn Yankees. This musical opens on August 2nd. During the week the Players prepared lights, sound, sets and costumes. Everything was tucked away so we could do our three events the end of the week. On Saturday they return in earnest to complete the work and get the performance ready. It will be a fun and entertaining show.

The Players were kind enough to take our scaffolding from behind the stage for us. We needed to use it for a repair above the stage. When we finished we discovered the area the scaffolding was stored was full of scenery and props for the upcoming musical. The Players graciously stored the scaffolding for us until after the show. Since they are not doing West Side Story, the scaffolding really wouldn't go with their set. Thank you SCP!

We magically have all sorts of literature appear at the Strand for our patrons. This week we have a nice stack of the June 2012 Center Stage Newsletter of the Shelby County Players. We noticed that they had the date of their annual meeting listed as August 28th. We looked at the schedule and had them booked for the 29th! These things happen. With a quick check of our schedule we will be able to move them to the 28th as advertised. Their newsletter was full of interesting information. They talked about their plans and the plans for moving to their own theater. They also have a nice article on Bill Mack. Bill runs their lights and sound. The Strand is always delighted every time Bill comes to do a show. He has a vast knowledge and does a great job. When you see Bill at the board during the SCP show, say hi to him!

Magic! Magic! Magic! On Friday July 27, 2012 the Shelby County Public Library will present Daniel Lusk in the "Big Dream Magic Show." This is a free but ticketed event. Ticket information is available at the library. We are anticipating a full house, so please arrive early. Daniel is a wonderful magician and performer. His shows are always entertaining. Thank you to Janet and all our friends at the Library for bringing this to our community. If you haven't been to the library lately, stop in and check it out. It is a wonderful place.

Ever have something done and have no idea who did it? The Strand's Facebook page is always maintained and just keeps going. Who does that? We didn't know either. The answer is Gary Nolley, Steve Frazee, Steve Talbert and our resident software guru Cody Veerkamp. Please "Like Us" on Facebook.

Thank you for your support. Each week we have people respond to these emails with positive comments. We always have said we would never have any secrets? maybe you are wishing we would keep a few. Too bad. The other thing that happens is we are preserving a record of where the Strand has come from, and where we are going. A multi-use performing arts center is something every community needs. The success and failure of such ventures depend on the

honesty and dedication to be true to a mission. The Strand is proud to remain focused on our little part of the quality of life equation in Shelby County. Thank you for being part of the journey. See you at the Strand.

44,425 - 44,426 - 44,427 and counting?

Shelby County Public Library  
Daniel Lusk Magic  
Friday July 27, 2012  
2:00 pm  
FREE (please check with the library for tickets)

Friday Night Frights  
Scream Bloody Murder  
Devil's Hand  
Friday July 27, 2012  
8:00 pm  
\$5

Shelby County Players  
Damn Yankees  
Thursday August 2, 2012 7:30pm  
Friday August 3, 2012 7:30pm  
Saturday August 4, 2012 7:30pm  
Sunday August 5, 2012 2:00pm

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