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Written by David on September, 23 2016

Dear Strand Fan,

The Shelby County Players have been working all week to ready their performances of ONE ACT PLAYS tonight! This is a special event, as it is free. If you have not enjoyed live theater, this is an excellent opportunity. The performance is at 7:30pm tonight and tomorrow!

While the Players were working, so were we. The list of items for our fire inspection got smaller. We accomplished rewiring of the center aisle lights. This was going to be a very easy job, but didn't turn out that way. The 1916 wires presented problems, but after about 3 hours with 3 electricians, the lights were again on, this time with a new circuit.

We accomplished several small items that were easy. The biggest job was the analysis and complete testing of our alarm system. The system worked perfectly! We also took the opportunity to add smoke detectors and door sensors. All in all, we spent two days doing testing.

We recently received a copy of a letter sent to the newspaper editor. This is from a Tom F. from Canada. He attended the Chloë Agnew concert:

On August 28th, my friend and I visited Shelbyville, Indiana. We ventured all the way from Ontario, Canada just to see Chloë Agnew and Dermot Kiernan perform at the historic Strand Theatre.

Both of us were very impressed by how polite the people were in Shelbyville, from the staff at the Hampton Inn to everyone we met at the Strand Theatre.

The Strand was a nice facility. The volunteers have done an excellent job of renovating the place while maintaining a sense of tradition about it. The seating and refreshments were both great. The theatre can hold a decent-sized audience but is small enough that the performers and the audience can really connect with each other during the show.

The concert had tremendous overall entertainment value! The set list had something for everyone, from deeply moving songs to rousing sing-alongs. The show included original tunes, some Celtic Woman classics and covers of contemporary songs across a wide range of genres.

Dermot was fantastic on keyboard and guitar, accompanied Chloë on vocals for a number of songs, and performed a stirring solo rendition of the Irish classic, Danny Boy.

Chloë is absolutely amazing! Her voice has incredible versatility and she transitions seamlessly between tenderness and spectacular power. Chloë's personality, especially her sense of humor, really shine through on stage.

If you ever get a chance to attend a Meet and Greet with Chloë, take advantage of the opportunity. For me, meeting Chloë was a dream come true. She knows her fans and she's truly a wonderful person.

It was an unforgettable performance and we'd like to thank everyone involved at the Strand Theatre and in the show and for making it possible.

I'd also like to give a special shout out to the social media team for The Strand: as a huge fan of Chloë, I really appreciated your work in promoting the show. You were great!

My friend and I were on a bit of a tight schedule, so we sadly didn't get to see as much of Shelbyville as we would have liked. But we really enjoyed our time there. I guess we'll just have to come back there again someday to see more of the city and take in another show or two at the Strand. We hope to visit again soon!

Tom, thank you for your kind words. The Strand is a labor of love not only for our theater but our community as well.

Thank you for your support. You make the Strand the wonderful performing arts venue that it is. See you at the Strand!

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