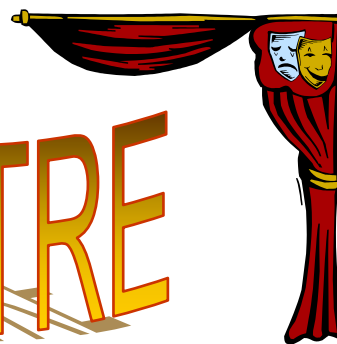


FRONT AND CENTRE



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Oliver!

A very professional looking cast performed on stage for 8 shows this past December and lots of positive comments have been coming in about the production. Despite some early sound problems, everyone carried on with their tasks and presented a solid show to all our patrons.

The adjudicator was quite encouraging with her comments to cast, crew and production people. Her reflections were filmed by Nate so we hope to get it posted.

A big thank you to Marlene Dietz and Lynn Jollymore for organizing the many ushers and refreshment crews for each show. It's all of the volunteers, including parents, who help to make a show a success.



It goes without saying that the work Sam, Nate, Tim, Jenn, Karen, Norm, Sherri, Donna, Joy and Jodie put into the show, along with all of their behind the scenes people, deserve a big round of applause for a job well done!

Donation Presentation

We were over-joyed to find that the Regal-Rexnord Corporation of Hanover chose Hanover Community Players as one of their recipients of \$3,00.00 USD grant monies. Employees from the Hanover firm were instrumental in choosing where the funds were directed and we are so grateful that this donation will help support area amateur little theatre. A Platinum Sponsor!



L-R Nate Heuchan, Marg Poste, Corey Leno
Nate and Corey are employees of Regal Rexnord and both have been in HCP productions over the years.

Looking Forward

April 28, 29, 30, May 5, 6, 7, 2023

Mom's Gift - "With a touch of Gilmore Girls, a splash of This is Us, and a healthy dose of Ghost, this comedy-drama will have you laughing, cheering, tearing up and guessing till the very end," noted one reviewer of Mom's Gift

Described as "a comedy with a heart," the play concerns a deceased mom whose ghost shows up to take care of unfinished business on Earth as a ghost, before she can enter heaven. Like Clarence in *It's A Wonderful Life*, she must accomplish a task to earn her wings. What the task is, is a mystery.

The problem is complicated by the fact that the only person who can hear or see Mom is her daughter. One by one, the family's secrets are peeled away, revealing a shocking truth that surprises even our ghost.

Dec. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 2023

Matilda, the Musical—Matilda is a little girl with astonishing wit, intelligence and psychokinetic powers. She's unloved by her cruel parents, but impresses her schoolteacher, the highly lovable Miss Honey. Miss Honey begins not only to recognize, but also appreciate Matilda's extraordinary personality. However, the school's mean headmistress, Miss Trunchbull, hates children and just loves thinking up new punishments for those who don't abide by her rules. But Matilda has courage and cleverness in equal amounts, and could be the school pupils' saving grace!

Packed with high-energy dance numbers and catchy songs, children and adults alike will be thrilled and delighted by the story of the special little girl with an extraordinary imagination.

Director—Tim Eaton

Auditions—April 11, 12, 2023. St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6:30 p.m. 14 roles plus ensemble so we need children, teens, adults and seniors! More information will follow as we get set up.

Annual General Meeting: Tuesday, Feb. 21st, @ 7:00 p.m. in the classroom at the P & H Centre. All are welcome to attend. Members have voting privileges. More information will follow. The AGM Report will be posted on the website.

****It is vital that we have volunteers willing to help out on committees due to the workload on board members. Besides sitting on the board, our members are directing, stage managing, building set, securing or building props, costumes, publicity, show programs moving the set and even trying to organize storage! It's a lot.**

Committee work, depending on the task, starts at various times throughout a production cycle.

Committee people would really help us out, knowing that they could be called upon and they wouldn't have to attend meetings unless they want to!

Theatre Update

On behalf of HCP, a report was put together which outlined some of the problems encountered within the theatre and community hall during large group productions. We are hopeful that the town will be able to address as many of the situations as possible and we will keep everyone posted.

Donation to Others

Later in the month, HCP will be making a donation to the Ontario Student Nutrition Program, Grey Bruce, via Bev Gateman of Hanover. This will come from funds generated by our \$1.00 per adult ticket sold for *Oliver!*

A further donation will be made after the production of *Mom's Gift* in the spring so encourage everyone you know to attend this wonderful play and help our students as well.

