The Egyptian Theatre Preservation Association Newsletter
December 2014 - January 2015

From the Director's Chair by Kara Long, Executive Director

The holiday season is upon us, filling the Egyptian Theatre with music and holiday movies.

The Egyptian will once again be the site of the 40th-annual "Sounds of Christmas" concert, which will be held at noon on Saturday, December 13th. Lee Littlefield will once again be playing holiday music on the Egyptian's Mighty Wurlitzer Organ for the concert, which will also include Dr. Wilbur Jensen and the Christmas Brass. The ensemble includes Dr. Jensen and Steve Krajcir on trumpet, Bill Harsh on tuba, Jan Kendall, bells; Ken Masters and Steve Simpkin on trombone; Nancy Orbison, French horn; and Dr. Ted Terry on the euphonium.

We also pleased to be able to give back to our community by sponsoring three food drives during December. By doing so, we all can make a difference, one movie at a time. See the full December schedule so you don't miss any of the fun, which will include an Ugly Sweater Contest during Beer, Wine and Movie night on December 20th.



THE EGYPTIAN THEATRE

PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION

PRESENTS

THE 40TH ANNUAL

SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS

FEATURING LEE LITTLEFIELD

WITH DR. WILBUR JENSEN & THE CHRISTMAS BRASS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13TH

12:00 P.M.

FREE

WITH DONATIONS GLADLY ACCEPTED



We invite you to join us for a unique Christmas musical experience with John Doan from Salem . Doan, a master of the 20-string harp guitar, is a pioneer of a new way of playing the instrument. He is also an Emmy-nominated performer, composer, public speaker, historian, instrument collector, and university professor. He will be bringing his "Christmas Unplugged – Reclaiming the Holiday Spirit" to the Egyptian Theatre at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 21, and you will not be able to resist the nostalgia and warmth of this old-fashioned Christmas.
All seats are $10.

In addition to being delighted by the music, by coming out and supporting live performances you will make it possible for us to bring you more live shows. John also has a Celtic Show and we are hoping to bring him back in the spring to play that for Coos Bay.

New improvements to the Egyptian's movie sound system were put in place in late October. We found a "missing" cinema speaker in a storage area. Once it was discovered we had the 3 speakers that we needed and proceeded with help from volunteers to put the cinema speakers back in action. The sound is amazing, the quality of speech is clearer and we have a subwoofer to make sure you feel the action.

Also new, we have the ability to have presentations on the big screen with microphones. We had local CPA Mike Gordon here in November with his customer appreciation event and it was a success. We welcome inquiries from businesses and groups on this use for the Egyptian. You can project your presentation 40' to your audience and give them Egyptian popcorn! It just doesn't get any better than that.

Annual Meeting Held

The years of hard work and fund-raising efforts in restoring the Egyptian Theatre to its former glory had to be on the minds of the members of the Egyptian Theatre Preservation Association who gathered in the theatre on Sunday, Nov. 16, for the ETPA's annual meeting.

Before the annual meeting, members were treated to a concert on the Mighty Wurlitzer Organ by ETPA Board members Lee Littlefield and Paul Quarino.

ETPA Board President Greg Rueger was the master of ceremonies, presenting board members Helen Doving, Anella Dumas, Alan Ellis, David Engholm, Kathy Erickson, Laura Fisher, Kathy Henry, Lee Littlefield, Paul Quarino, Bill Richardson, and Susan Watson to ETPA members. He provided an overview of the past year, which featured accolades from elected officials and other dignitaries. Greg listed the accomplishments of 2014, including the capital campaign that allowed the ETPA to resolve structural issues, add ADA restrooms, conduct restoration activities inside the theatre and refurbish the exterior. Randy Dixon, from the City of Coos Bay, updated members on the ongoing work to renovate the Broadway façade.



Susan Watson


Anella Dumas

Greg cited as a huge accomplishment the hiring of Kara Long as the Egyptian's new executive director. Kara spoke about special events at the theatre and new popular ongoing activities, including beer and movie nights. She also listed the many charitable and educational activities that the theatre will be hosting or sponsoring. Among the beneficiaries are the South Coast Head Start and Food Share Pantry programs, the Pacific Cove Humane Society, Bay Area Hospital's Kids' Hope Center, Marshfield High School's Leadership Group, the Charleston Food Bank and cancer research.

One particularly meaningful moment for ETPA board members was when Greg presented outgoing board members Susan Watson and Anella Dumas with sidewalk tiles honoring their many years of service to the board and the association.

Meet our new Volunteer Coordinator - Janell Logan



"I am a transplant (from California). My husband and I traveled the Oregon Coast many times during the years and knew this state is where we would want to retire. Retirement came earlier than we thought and Coos Bay/North Bend won our hearts because of the hospital and shopping choices. Our only daughter is living here now so I couldn't be any happier. I love the home we built and the weather here is absolutely wonderful ... rain and all.

"When I was growing up in Santa Cruz, CA, there was an old theater downtown, the Del Mar (built in 1936) and I was probably 10 years old when I saw my first Disney movie there. It was so majestic and I couldn't wait till I got older so I could go upstairs and sit in the loges. WOW! What a day that was going to be. I still have a love for things that have stood the test of time and the Egyptian is one of them.

"Since I am retired and relatively new to the area, volunteering is a great way for me to meet new people and give back to the cities I now call home. Oh, the popcorn Kara lets me eat is pretty darned good, too!"

Did You Know?

You can help the Egyptian Theatre while you shop. Amazon Smile now benefits the Egyptian Theatre Preservation Association. Simply go to http://smile.amazon.com/ and say that you want to support the Egyptian Theatre. You can also use your Fred Meyer card to help when you shop. Go to www.fredmeyer.com and Click Community Rewards to link your Rewards Card to help the ETPA.

December Calendar of Events

Friday	Dec 5	Raiders of the Lost Ark	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	Dec 6	Miracle on 34th St. (1947) free w/food donation	2:00 p.m.
Sunday	Dec 7	Raiders of the Lost Ark	2:00 p.m.
Friday	Dec 12	Home Alone	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	Dec 13	40th Sounds of Christmas	12:00 p.m.
Saturday	Dec 13	South Coast Lab Band Concert	7:00 p.m.
Sunday	Dec 14	Home Alone free w/ food donation	2:00 p.m.
Thursday	Dec 18	North Bend HS Winter Concert	TBA
Saturday	Dec 20	Beer, Wine and Movie Night Natl Lampoon's Christmas Vacation Ugly Sweater Contest	7:30 p.m.
Sunday	Dec 21	John Doan "Christmas Unplugged" $10.00	2:00 p.m.

The Theatre will be closed from December 22nd until January 2nd.

Egyptian Theatre Façade Fund 2014 Donation

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

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o $25.00 o $50.00 o $100.00 o $250.00 o $500 Other _____

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Thank you! Circle one: VISA MasterCard

Credit Card # _____ 3 digit Security Code _____

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It's not too soon to start thinking of Christmas shopping.

Purchasing an engraved sidewalk tile or dedicating a seat inside the Theatre would make a unique present for that special someone on your list. Forms are available at the concession stand.

And don't forget we have Egyptian Theatre logo hats, T-shirts, hoodies, hat pins, wine glasses, mugs and pens for sale as well.

We also have gift certificates. Call Kara at 541-808-8295 for more information.

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November 28th - Santa came to the Egyptian followed by the movie *Elf* with a snowball fight. Bet we do it again next year!









