

# ETC NEWS

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## Celebration of the Arts funds Writing Camp Scholarships

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration of the Arts was another great success with wonderful artists and crafters, yummy food, lots of used books and a variety of live music. The weather cooperated, as it usually does and everyone had a good time. Mark and Jodi Ogren of Elk River, Mn. with their rock and iron birds won the award for best of show among the vendors.

From some of the proceeds of the used book sale, the Visual Arts Committee of ETC contributed \$500 to the Cumberland Middle School Writing Club to help defray some of the costs of attending UW -Superior Youth Summer Program for two weeks. The five students attending were: Ally Fritz, Kori McLellan, Zoë Hopkins-Hile, Marissa Anderson and Shawnee Osborn

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## The Shame of Tombstone

Rutabaga Play

Rutabaga weekend will find ETC involved with an old time melodrama, directed by Craig Bucher. Amanda Goodsort, played by Val Dehline, once a Boston society belle, has journeyed to Arizona to find employment. Amanda sings in disguise and is known far and wide as The Masked Canary; but to civic leaders like the tenacious Flora Courtland (Hope Vicich), who is determined to drive her out of town, she is... "The Shame of Tombstone!" Alas, the wily villain, Judge Mortimer Harshly, played by Dan Hoffmann and a pretty cohort, Peachy Jamm, (Eva Srubar) discover Amanda's secret and decide to blackmail her. The side-splitting action begins on the day Amanda's grown daughter Victoria (Lindsey Neby) arrives in town with her two companions, Lonely Wolf, a Harvard-educated scout, (Bethany Nash) and Lt. Pete Bogg, (Steve Wickre) a manly chap who has everything... including PX privileges and a future pension. An outrageous company of funny characters add to the confusion: Cantankerous Ole Timer (Craig Bucher); Wing Tip (Jim Stege), the Oriental philosopher who is available for witty sayings and tea-brewing; Fifi (Sharai Hefty), the French maid from Bisbee. But above everything is the sheer nastiness (and comic genius) of the Judge. All ends suitably with the meanie's defeat, Amanda's vindication and a sing-a-long to keep the audience smiling.

Show dates are **Thursday through Saturday, August 21-23 at 7 PM and Sunday August 24 at 5 PM.** Tickets are \$7 and available at Peter and Annie's or at the door. Handicap parking and ramp are available from the Third Avenue side.

In the basement gallery we will be showing local artists. The Visual Arts Group of ETC will set up the gallery on August 19 at 9 AM with each member invited to bring up to 3 pieces.

## **2008 ETC Calendar**

**The Shame of Tombstone**

**Thur-Sun, August 21-24**

Auditions for Anne of Green

Gables (Diane Thorp  
Chris Hopkins-Hile)

Sat Sept 6 and Mon Sep 8

Rehearsals for Christmas Concert

Mon, Oct 6 and following  
Mondays 7 PM

Bus trip to "Wicked"

Sun Nov 16, 10 AM

**Anne of Green Gables**

**Thur-Sun Dec 4-7**  
**Thur-Sat Dec 11-13**

**Annual Christmas Concert**

**Sun Dec 14, 2 and 4 PM**

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Rehearsals for the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cumberland Christmas concert begin on Monday **October 6th at 7 PM** at St Paul's Lutheran Church. We welcome all singers, whether or not you have been part of this group before. The concerts will be on Sunday December 14 at 2 PM and 4 PM.

## 2008 Donations

### Membership

Elaine Molls  
Brian Anderson  
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Craig & Sharon Bucher

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Gary Johnson/Liz Alberg  
Sally Landstrom  
Daylight Cabinet  
Jerry & Billie Jean Jerome  
Allan & Margaret Siemers

**Producers \$1000+**

Claire & Marge Johnson  
Dennis Zappa

## Art Expo 2008

The Visual Arts Group of ETC will again sponsor an art sale and exposition at The Cumberland Arts Center on Saturday, November 22 from 10 AM- 3 PM. Come and buy unique, hand crafted gifts from local artists.

## 2009 Theater Season

The Theater Committee of ETC is meeting in the next month or so to decide on the plays to be performed in the 2009 Season. They have a good list to choose from, but if you have a suggestion contact Diane Thorp. We're always looking for great shows for you.

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ETC Directors	\$ 750+	ETC Family	\$ 50+
ETC Leaders	\$ 500+	ETC Individual	\$ 25+

**We would be honored to accept memorial gifts at any level.**

### Christmas Play- Anne of Green Gables

Auditions for our Christmas play, Anne Of Green Gables will be held on **September 6 and 8**. Directors Diane Thorp and Chris Hopkins-Hile will be looking for children and adults to fill the parts in this classic story. This new dramatization captures the charm and excitement of L.M. Montgomery's enduring classic about an orphan girl, Anne Shirley, from her first encounter with her austere guardian to her thrilling graduation from Queen's Academy. The play faithfully recreates the memorable events and characters from the brilliant novel. All the tragedies and triumphs that mark Anne's growth from adolescence to early adulthood are here: her friendship with Diana, her feuds with Gilbert, her adoration of Matthew, the mistaken wine bottle, the cake disaster, the broken leg, the scholastic achievements, and the saving of Green Gables. Whether the playgoer is an "old friend" of Anne's or meeting her for the first time, this play will solidify a lasting friendship between the audience and one of literature's most unforgettable characters.

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