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THE SANDUSKY STATE THEATRE

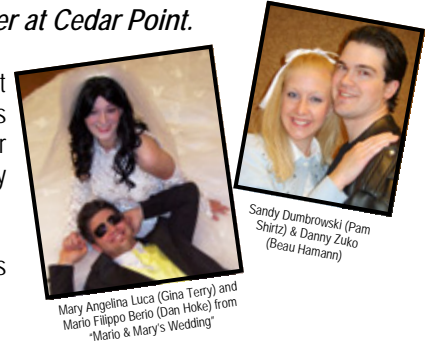
NEWSLETTER  
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## The Sandusky State Theatre 2009 Summer Season was HOT, HOT, HOT!

*Wow! Wow! Wow! The SST summer season in Vacationland USA went faster than the Dragster at Cedar Point.*

This past summer at The Sandusky State Theatre generated a lot of fun, excitement, memories and ticket revenue. Thousands of new and dedicated patrons attended "Mario & Mary's Wedding", "Grease", "Disney's Cinderella Kids" and "Disney's High School Musical 2". Terra Community College sponsored the hit summer musical "Grease". Over 100 performers auditioned for the coveted roles. The cast and staff were extremely talented and the cast received many ovations.

Pre-show dinners are starting to become a standard affair at The Sandusky State Theatre and Karen Fuller is busy booking weddings and various social events in our State Room.



Sandy Dumbrowski (Pam Shirtz) & Danny Zuko (Beau Hamann)

Mary Angelina Luca (Gina Terry) and Mario Filippo Berio (Dan Hoke) from "Mario & Mary's Wedding"

### Summer Theatre Workshops are an Exciting Edition to what The Sandusky State Theatre has to Offer the Youth of Our Community!



Thirty-two eager young stars participated in the 1st Theatre Workshop for kids ages 7-11 at The Sandusky State Theatre this summer. The workshop ran from July 6th thru July 17th ending with a one act production of Disney's Cinderella Kids the evening of July 16th. This was the first time for most of these young actors and actresses to appear on our stage and I'm sure it won't be the last for many of them.

Both workshops were sponsored by:

SANDUSKY/ERIE COUNTY  
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



#### It Wouldn't Have Been Possible Without the Help of . . .

Thomas T. Kazmierczak III - Director of "Mario & Mary's Wedding" & "Grease"  
Joyce Carolyn - Director of "Cinderella Kids"  
Ron Abbott - Director of "High School Musical 2"  
Lisa Wiley - Assistant Director of "Grease"  
Amanda Clark - Assistant Director of "Cinderella Kids" & "High School Musical 2"  
Kiri Dicken - Musical Director of "Cinderella Kids"  
Michael Shirtz - Musical Director of "High School Musical 2" & "Grease"  
Pamela Shirtz - Choreography Director of both workshops  
Megan Wallace - Choreography Director of "Grease"  
Barb Shaver - Stage Manager of "Mario & Mary's Wedding", "Grease" and both workshops  
Tim Kostel - Technical Director of "Mario & Mary's Wedding", "Grease" and both workshops



#### We didn't let any dust

settle on the stage . . . beginning July 27th marked the beginning of our 2nd Annual Theatre Workshop for kids ages 11-17 for 41 aspiring young thespians. Many of the students returned this year

after attending the workshop last summer. The culmination of the 2 1/2 week workshop was the production of High School Musical 2 with evening performances on stage August 13th & 14th. Many of these kids have dreams of making theatre their life calling.



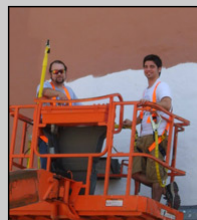
**A "Great" Christmas Gift Idea . . .** Register your child/grandchild now for the 2010 Summer Theatre Workshops "101 Dalmatians" for kids 7-11 and "Beauty & The Beast Jr." for kids 11-17. **Receive a \$40.00 discount if you register by November 15, 2009.**

#### New Look for the 2009/2010 Show Programs

Many thanks to all our advertisers who have decided to place an ad in our show program. It's a great opportunity and at a very affordable price when you consider that an ad will be appearing in the programs for over 35 productions and given out to over 16,000 patrons. Ads will run through June 30, 2010.

If you haven't already taken advantage of this inexpensive way to market your business please call Karen Fuller at 419-626-1347 ext. 801 or e-mail her at [kfuller@sanduskystate.com](mailto:kfuller@sanduskystate.com).

#### New Look for an "Old Wall"



Thanks to the support of one of our generous benefactors the back wall of The Sandusky State Theatre by the loading dock has a "new & improved" look. Tim Kostel, Technical Director and Dan Hoke, PT Theatre Assistant took time out to pose.

**From the Desk of the Executive Director**



My wife and I are fast approaching our two year anniversary of moving here to Vacationland USA. I am grateful for the encouragement and support that the community gave and continues to give to our beloved Sandusky State Theatre.

Partnerships are the key to the continued support of the Arts Community in Erie County. Currently The Sandusky State Theatre has a great partnership with Terra Community College and plans are in the making to expand the partnership even further.

I recently met with Dr. William Balzer, Dean of BGSU Firelands Campus to discuss possible plans and future endeavors.

Lisa Wiley, the new President of Harlequins Theatre, and I have had numerous discussions and are eager to create a wonderful partnership between The Sandusky State Theatre and Harlequins.

After numerous meetings with Alice Springer of Firelands Hospital "watch out" there is going to be an exciting special event coming to town next summer that will really cause you to shout out "yea ha!!"

Lastly, the new owners of The Homestead Inn are excited to work with The Sandusky State Theatre on new endeavors and dinner/show packages in The State Room.

*Make this your 1st Holiday Event of the Season*

*November 20, 2009*

*Holiday Sparkle at the State*

A sneak preview of what is in store for this outstanding holiday event!

**Cocktails & Viewing of Trees**  
~ 6:00 p.m. ~

**Plated Dinner**  
~ 7:00 p.m. ~

~ Auction to Follow ~

~ \$25.00 per person/\$45.00 per couple ~

**Reserved Tables for Eight**  
~ \$175.00 ~

If you are interested in making a donation for the Silent Auction please contact Wendy Dobyns at 419-626-1347 ext. 891 or via e-mail [wdobyns@sanduskystate.com](mailto:wdobyns@sanduskystate.com)

*Martini Bar*

*Breathtaking Trees*

*Live Entertainment*

*Silent Auction*

*Major Fundraiser for The Sandusky State Theatre during the 2009/2010 Season*

*The Holiday's Are Right Around the Corner . . .*

*If You Are Having a Party ~ We Can Make it Memorable!*

**Make "The State Room" at The Sandusky State Theatre**  
*your first stop when it comes to planning for a . . .*

- Office Party ▪ Staff Recognition ▪ Wedding Reception ▪ Anniversary Celebration
- Business Meeting ▪ Birthday Party ▪ Family Reunion

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