

From the desk of the President:

I was scanning the jokes, cartoons, posters, and nuggets of folksy advice that line the waiting room walls of my neighborhood tire dealer. Then I spotted a poster card entitled, "Whose Job Is It?" I saw this years ago, but cannot resist repeating here.

This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it. Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about it, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

We have big dreams for the Spotlight Theatre. And big dreams require both action and money. Financially, we're stronger than we've been in years, but nowhere near where we need to be. Childrens' Theatre income is up 43% over the first six months of last year. Operating profit *after contributions* is up more than 380% over last year, which is due largely to the donation from the Flint Family Foundation received in August. These are "dull times", but even small donations add up.

There have been a few changes in Board positions. **Catherine Christie [Cat 1]** has now assumed the duties of Secretary. Long time Board Member, **Carol Snow**, asked to step down a few months ago to further her career in poetry writing. Thank you, **Carol**, for your time and service to the Spotlight and best of luck in your work. **Catherine Abel** has been asked to fill in on the Board for the Down Front activities and will continue to support **Sue Wiedemann**, et al, and positive influence she's brought to the Down Front activities. Welcome, **Catherine [Cat 2]**.

I am so excited about some of the things that were introduced at the Membership Meeting! The Cedarville Gazette, Drillers and Oilers tickets for giveaway [This editor wants an Oiler ticket!!!], Drunkard tickets being given away at Oilers' and Drillers' games, new merchandising for space for Spotlight goodies and much, much more.

I think everybody [who attended the Quarterly Membership Meeting] will agree that there are things happening at the theatre that Somebody has talked about for years. But when Somebody starts the ball rolling, and Anybody can, Nobody is left on the bench and Everybody wins! [Okay, it's not very good, but you get the point, right?]

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