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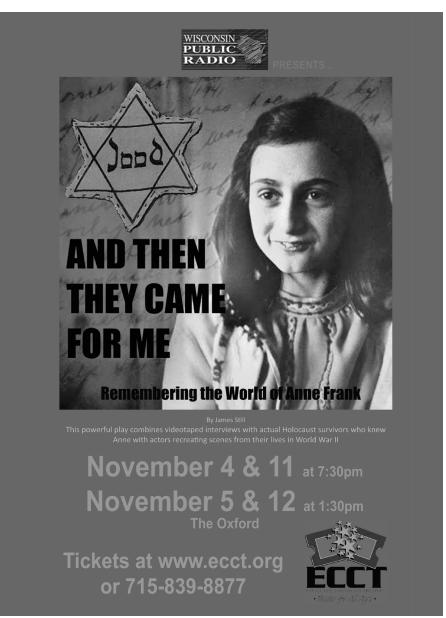
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### ECCT REACHES FUNDRAISING GOAL

The Eau Claire Children's Theatre is pleased to announce it has reached its goal of raising \$500,000 to support its new theatre, The Oxford. The campaign kicked off two years ago and culminated on October 1.

In addition to receiving gifts from hundreds of individual community members and area organizations like the Eau Claire Regional Arts Council, the campaign received major gifts from Dick and Marcia Larson, The Gordon and Gloria Thorpe Family, Mel and Leann Breed, the Kristo Family Fund through the Eau Claire Community Foundation, and the L.E. Phillips Family Foundation. We are very appreciative and humbled by the outpouring of support shown to ECCT during this campaign.

ECCT broke ground on The Oxford on October 20, 2009. The multi-purpose building, which features a fully-equipped stage and flexible seating for 275 patrons, opened in April 2010. In the eighteen months since it opened, over 22,000 people have attended a concert, special event, or show performance at The Oxford.



### 2011-2012 SEASON TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Save money by ordering season ticket packages and catch great shows like:

THE SOUND OF MUSIC, CLICK CLACK MOO, HOW I BECAME A PIRATE, ALL SHOOK UP, DORA THE EXPLORER and SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS

Call 715-839-8877 for your brochure.



In this musical adaptation of the popular holiday favorite, a gentleman claiming to be the real Santa Claus brings about a genuine "Miracle on 34th Street" by convincing a cynical single mother, her somber daughter and the entire state of New York that Santa Claus is no myth. The show features a book, music and lyrics by Meredith "The Music Man" Wilson and includes the holiday classic "It's Beginning to Look A Lot Like Christmas." A perfect way for your family to kick off the holiday season.

## The following cast members will help you ring in the holiday season next week:

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Doris Walker	Kristine Anderson
Susan Walker	Grace Pichler
Fred Gaily	Tom Anderson
Kris Kringle	Kris Kringle
Marvin Shellhammer	Adam Krajnikconde
R.H. Macy	John Leonauskas
Mr. Sawyer	
Miss Crookshank	Amanda Tietz
Judge Martin Group	John Jungbluth
Tammany O'Halloran	Dan Ekblad
Thomas Mara, Sr	Dan Rowe
Clara	Aurora Krajnikconde
Miss Sims	Alicia Klein
Harry Finfer	Max Salonek
Mrs. Finfer	Vanessa Rossano
Hendrika	Jordyn Leonauskas
Hendrika's Mother	,
Governor of New York	Dan Ekblad
Mayor of New York City	Joe Duss
Tommy Mara, Jr	Griffin Kristo
Mr. Gimbel	John Jungbluth
Balloon Vendor	Alicia Klein
Juvenile Clown	Max Salonek
Majorette	Tressa Forrest
Miss Muffet	John Leonauskas
Policemen	Todd Edgar, Dan Rowe
Bailiff	
Mailmen	Todd Edgar, Joe Duss, Dan Kirby

#### **MULTIPLE CHORUS ROLES**

Ellie Dixon Sarah Otto Carrie Cicha Miranda Pinno Shellev Ekblad Jen Bailev Jerin Montova **Grace Olson** Ali Barrie Tevin Kolve Sarah Rowe Hannah Jones **Claire Steines** Emma Anderson Claudia Schunk Alexandra Warren Kennedy Jane Brookes-Edgar **Emily Otto** Marissa Cicha Sophia Pinno Jordyn Leonauskas Kendon Krogman Katie Duss Megan Jungbluth Kayce Leonauskas Dan Otto

Performances will be held November 17-19 at 7:30pm and November 19-20 at 1:30pm at the State Theatre. Tickets are \$20/Adults; \$16/Seniors; \$12/Students and \$8/Youth online at www.ecct.org or by calling 715-839-8877. The show is sponsored by ECRAC, Macy's, Terpstra Orthodontics, Wisconsin Public Radio, Maverick Media, Charter Communications and Oakwood Mall and is rated G for all audiences.

### **HOLIDAY SILENT AUCTION**

Check out the annual Holiday Silent Auction at each performance of MIRACLE ON 34th STREET. A new set of items will be available for bidding at each show; winners will take home their new treasures right after the show! A perfect way to start your holiday shopping and support ECCT!



Nov. 18 6pm - 9pm Nov. 19 9am - 3pm The Oxford

Join us for holiday shopping with over 20 home-based business vendors during this 2nd annual event. Refreshments for sale and fantastic raffle prizes offered by the vendors.

### **BUNCO NIGHTS RETURN**

As the weather starts to get chilly we'll be heating up The Oxford with Bunco Night on the second Thursday of the month. Dates are December 8, January 12 and February 9 starting at 6:30pm. RSVP by the Friday before to reserve a spot. Cost is \$5 per person. Concessions and beverages available for sale and prizes given at the end of each night. Call 715-839-8877 to reserve your spot.

# **UPCOMING AUDITIONS AT ECCT**



November 20 & 21 5:30pm

December 11 & 12 5:30pm

HOW I BECAME

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Complete audition details at www.ecct.org



### December 3rd, 7:30pm, The Oxford

Vocal Competition Finals Hosted by Miss Wisconsin, Laura Kaeppeler **Tickets:** 

\$12/Adult & Seniors; \$8/Youth & Students At the door or by calling 715-839-8877

## READ A GREAT BOOK SEE A GREAT PLAY

Once again ECCT is offering this program to area young people to encourage reading! Pick up a Reading Card at ECCT, EC elementary school libraries or the public libraries in Eau Claire and Altoona. After you read at least three of the books that are the basis for an ECCT show this season, you can turn the card in for a FREE youth ticket to a show!



### **Holiday fun for the whole family!**

December 9 & 16 at 7:30pm
December 10 &17 at 10am & 1:30pm
December 11 at 1:30pm
The Oxford
Tickets online at www.ecct.org or
715-839-8877

### **POOH'S HOLIDAY PARTY**

December 10 & 17 at 10am
The Oxford- \$5/person
Enjoy holiday treats and games with Pooh and the gang.

Party limited to 50 guests- reserve your spots at 715-839-8877.



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The Eau Claire Children's Theatre is a non-profit volunteer-driven community theatre providing quality theatrical and educational experiences for western Wisconsin residents of all ages.

Check out our website at ecct.org for the latest ECCT information!

#### **CURRENT RESIDENT OR**

## Hats Off To...

- the touring cast of CHARLOTTE'S WEB for all their talents and energy and presenting 18 shows for over 6600 patrons
- the cast and crew of FOOTLOOSE for their time and talents in bringing the '80s back to the State Theatre
- the almost 200 runners who completed the 4th annual Harvest Hustle in October, making this year our most successful race yet

#### **CAN YOU HELP?**

As the number of events at The Oxford increases we are in need of more volunteers to join our ENCORE volunteer corps to provide ushers, box office staff and beverage sales during shows and events. Training takes less than an hour, and ENCORE volunteers get to watch the show they just worked for free! If you'd like to get involved drop us a line at frontdesk@ecct.org.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN NOVEMBER/DEC.

November 11	AND THEN THEY CAME FOR ME	7:30pm	The Oxford
November 12	AND THEN THEY CAME FOR ME	1:30pm	The Oxford
November 12	STARQUEST Prelims	8am	ECCT
November 13	YAC Meeting	7pm	ECCT
November 17-19	MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET	7:30pm	State Theatre
November 18	<b>GIFTED Event</b>	6pm-9pm	The Oxford
November 19	<b>GIFTED Event</b>	9am-3pm	The Oxford
November 19-20	MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET	1:30pm	<b>State Theatre</b>
November 20-21	<b>Auditions - CLICK CLACK MOO</b>	5:30pm	ECCT
December 3	STARQUEST 2011	7:30pm	The Oxford
December 8	Bunco Night	6:30pm	The Oxford
December 9 & 16	WINNIE THE POOH	7:30pm	The Oxford
<b>December 10 &amp; 17</b>	Pooh's Holiday Party	10am	The Oxford
	WINNIE THE POOH	11am & 1:30pm	The Oxford
December 11	WINNIE THE POOH	1:30pm	The Oxford
December 11 & 12	<b>Auditions - HOW I BECAME A PIRATE</b>	5:30pm	ECCT

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