



# Curtain Calls

August/September 2023

## Run For Your Wife

TBP's latest comedy, directed by **Rodger McElveen**, is currently on our stage. Come see it and be prepared to laugh!

The plot centers around a London cab driver who is leading a double life; he has two wives in two separate apartments. He has learned how to juggle the two separate lives (and wives), with neither spouse suspecting the existence of the other.

But fate intervenes when Smith ends up in the hospital, where both of his addresses surface, causing police from both places to investigate the case. His careful schedule upset, Smith becomes hopelessly entangled in his attempts to explain himself to his two wives and two suspicious police officers, with help from his lazy layabout neighbor upstairs.

*Run For Your Wife* is a fast-paced farce by Ray Cooney that will keep you laughing. The cast features **Jay Wells, Bryan Shane, Tina Wells,**

**Barb Archangeli-Richardson, Will Anderson, Craig Sayer, and Rodger McElveen.**

*Run For Your Wife* is halfway through their two-weekend run, so if you missed the first weekend there's still time to catch it. Performances are July 21, 22, 23 and July 27, 28, 29, 30. All summer shows start at 7 p.m.

## 4th of July Float

By **Pat Casey**

Thank you everyone for a wonderful 4th of July parade! It's fun to see the smiles on the faces as we sing and travel down the road. Our float looked great! What a team effort!!! Tear down of the float was quick with everyone's help.

Special thanks to our driver Bob, spotter Michal, and keeper of the Ollie, Nadeen!

We also may be looking at a combined Patriotic concert with the community band for next year. Things are happening!



# Time for Auditions!

Auditions are coming up for the Tawas Bay Players fall production, *It's My Wedding, Dear Grandpa*.

A comedy by Michal Jacot, *Wedding* is the latest in Michal's "Grandpa" plays. Tawas Bay Players have done *Happy Birthday, Dear Grandpa* and *Merry Christmas, Dear Grandpa*.

This one continues the adventures of the Hartley family and their cranky grandfather as they prepare for a wedding where nothing goes right.

Is there a part that fits you? Well, the cast features three generations of the family, so ages range from early-to-mid twenties up to senior citizens. There are roles for 5 men and 7 women. Two of those female characters need to be in the approximate 20-30 age range and must be able to play a musical instrument appropriate for a wedding (the script says flutes, but we're flexible!). The music to be played will only be about a minute long at most.

*Wedding* is directed by **Michal Jacot**, assistant directed by **Judy Quarters**, and produced by **Laurie Jacot**. Performance dates are October 13-15 and October 19-22, so check your calendar and make sure you're available.

Audition nights are **Tuesday, August 15** and **Wednesday, August 16** at **6:30 pm** at the Tawas Bay Playhouse.

If you really want to come prepared, go to **[www.tawasbayplayers.com](http://www.tawasbayplayers.com)** and download an Audition Packet! It's a PDF that will give you all the inside information you need: an audition form, character information, and even the script cuts we'll be using. You can see which characters you'd like to try out for and practice your audition beforehand! Of course, we'll have all that information at audition nights too, but an Audition Packet is a great head start.

We'll see YOU at auditions!



# 2023 Tawas Bay Players Annual Meeting

**Who:** TBP Members and Guests

**When:** Friday, August 25, 2023  
Social hour beginning at 5:00  
Dinner at 6:00  
Meeting to follow

**Where:** Father Rushman Hall  
821 Newman Street, East Tawas

**Cost:** \$10 per paid member  
\$15 for guests



Plan to join us for the 2023 TBP annual membership meeting. The Knights of Columbus will prepare a delicious BBQ meal including desert. Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided but if you would like adult beverages or soft drinks please bring your own. Please let Pam Frank know no later than Tuesday, August 15, 2023 how many will attend.

**Call:** 989-362-8492  
**Text:** 989-254-9963  
**Email:** [psfrank56@gmail.com](mailto:psfrank56@gmail.com)

Election of board members will take place during the meeting with 3 vacancies. Please let Keith Frank know by the same date if you would like to be added to the ballot.

**Call:** 989-362-8492  
**Email:** [k.frank@charter.net](mailto:k.frank@charter.net)

**In order to vote memberships must be paid  
prior to July 11, 2023.**

## Got Plans for Saturday, August 19?

By Sue Duncan

If you like organizing and straightening up clutter, there's a place for you at Tawas Bay Players on 8/19. From 9AM – 12PM, a dedicated group, starting with Ed Krebs and Alan Dalton, will be doing an inventory and reorganization of the garage. Other volunteers are WELCOME!

Yes, it was a MAJOR task last year, but this venture is more like spring cleaning and making a shopping list. Every flat and platform will be inspected and added to a new inventory book we're creating. It would be easier on all the backs and arms involved, however, if more volunteers join in.

During the same time frame, those who enjoy sorting and reorganizing fabric can help with a project involving the material currently stored in the attic of the theater. That material is in a very cramped and difficult to get to place, the cubby closet above the stairs. To get it to a better place, (shelves in the garage upstairs) it needs some work. We have bins, hopefully you have time to help

The finalé could be the gourmet lunch being prepared for volunteers... hot dogs with buns and toppings as well as assorted chips. BYO Beverage if water and pop aren't your favorites. Anyone that would like to offer a side dish or dessert is welcome to do that, with many thanks!

Please contact Sue Duncan to RSVP by August 13, Sunday. [Susanduncan12951@gmail.com](mailto:Susanduncan12951@gmail.com) or 989-701-5471 Please include the number of participants and an estimate on hot dog consumption. See you there, rain or shine!

## OUR UPCOMING SEASON

### It's My Wedding, Dear Grandpa

Oct.13-14-15, Oct. 19-20-21-22

Directed by **Michal Jacot**

### The Subject Was Roses

Apr. 26-27-28, May 2-3-4-5, 2024

Directed by **Chris Mundy**

### Leaving Iowa

July 12-13-14, July 18-19-20-21, 2024

Directed by **Ed Krebs**

## Murder Mystery at American Legion

TBP will join forces with the American Legion to present a fundraiser Murder Mystery Dinner on August 4th.

*The Family Reunion Murder* is an audience-interactive murder mystery presented by TBP after a BBQ ribs dinner served by the American Legion.

After the dinner, the Ferris Family Reunion gets underway. But someone gets a fatal dose of poison (and you thought YOUR family reunions were rough). The audience question the suspects through the evening.

Featured in the show are **Alan and Tina Dalton, Keith Frank, Daniel Stone, Chad and Shannon Bondie, and Michal Jacot**. The limited seating of 100 people is filling up fast as I write this!

The night of food and entertainment is only \$20. If you want to have fun with us, call **Chris and Janie Mundy** at (989) 362-9199. If there's no answer, leave a name, contact phone number, and how many reservations you want.

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**The October/November CURTAIN CALLS deadline is September 20th!**  
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# TBP Archives . . . Do YOU Have Something to Contribute?

By *Michal Jacot*

I am currently working on TBP Archives. The archives are not scrapbooks of past shows; rather, they are records of when a show was done, who worked on it (backstage and onstage), and any unique properties of that show (dinner theater, traveling show, etc.)

As you might guess, it's a pretty big project, but I'm having fun with it. (And my sincere thanks to **June Hudgins** for her well-organized scrapbooks, which is making this project go a LOT easier.) The most useful items I've found are programs. And that's where you come in.

Maybe you have some TBP programs that you'd like to donate to a worthy cause. If a show is not on the list below, that means I already have it covered. I'm not fussy about condition as long as the info can be read.

## LOOKING FOR PROGRAMS FOR:

1981 – 1982 (Season 3): A Gentleman And A Scoundrel The Mousetrap See How They Run Logging Legacy	Tangled Webbs 3 Pump Boys & Dinettes Red vs. The Wolf	2003 – 2004 (Season 25) Hello Dolly Barefoot In The Park	Spelling Bee Let's Play Crossroads!
1983 – 1984 (Season 5) Who Dunnit? Arsenic And Old Lace Fiddler On The Roof	1993 – 1994 (Season 15) 3 Murders & It's Only Monday Run For Your Wife Anything Goes	2004 – 2005 (Season 26) Meshuggah Nuns Seven Brides For Seven Brothers Deathtrap	2012-2013 (Season 34) The Honeycomb It's A Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play Tons Of Money The Music Man
1984 – 1985 (Season 6) Move Over Mrs. Markham Something's Afoot Fools Prince Who Wouldn't Talk	1994 – 1995 (Season 16) Noises Off Lend Me A Tenor Once Upon A Mattress	2005 – 2006 (Season 27) Of Mice and Men Damn Yankees Wizard of Oz Our Town	2013-2014 (Season 35) Musical Revue Big Band Bash
1985 – 1986 (Season 7) I'll Get My Man The Music Man On Golden Pond Bracko The Frog Prince	1995 – 1996 (Season 17) I Hate Hamlet Black Patent Leather Shoes Pocahontas	2006 – 2007 (Season 28) Musical Revue Cemetery Club Little Shop of Horrors Annie Get Your Gun Escanaba In Da Moonlight	2014-2015 (Season 36) The Queen of Bingo
1986 – 1987 (Season 8) Tangled Webbs America Before Columbus	1996 – 1997 (Season 18) Bye Bye Birdie Best Christmas Pageant Ever	2007 – 2008 (Season 29) Honk! Home Is Where Your Clothes Are Beauty & the Beast A Streetcar Named Desire Forever Plaid	2015-2016 (Season 37) Twelve Angry Jurors The Marvelous Wonderettes
1987 – 1988 (Season 9) A Country Christmas Carol Brighton Beach Memoirs The Fishing Hat Dutch Treat	1997 – 1998 (Season 19) West Side Story Play On Deadly Deal	2008 – 2009 (Season 30) Over The Tavern The Butler Did It All Shook Up Nunsense Jamboree	2016-2017 (Season 38) Love, Loss and What I Wore
1988 – 1989 (Season 10) War Of The Worlds Best Christmas Pageant Ever	1998 – 1999 (Season 20) Marital Blitz Something's Afoot Camelot	2009-2010 (Season 31) Insane With Power Squabbles Aida Guys And Dolls	2017-2018 (Season 39) Weekend Comedy And Then There Were None Revival at Possum Kingdom Community Church
1989 – 1990 (Season 11) Tangled Webbs 2 The Nerd	1999 – 2000 (Season 21) Natalie Needs A Nightie Greater Tuna Forever Plaid	2010-2011 (Season 32) Ethan Claymore Grease USO Show Jack And The Beanstalk	2018-2019 (Season 40) Virgil's Wedding
1990 – 1991 (Season 12) Steel Magnolias Oklahoma! Same Time Next Year Fractured Mother Goose Wonderful Worldful of Christmas	2000 – 2001 (Season 22) Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 The Chalk Garden Annie Stages of Death	2011-2012 (Season 33) Escanaba In Love Snow Angel A Funny Thing Happened on The Way to Fifth Period 25th Ann. Putnam County	2019-2020 (Season 41) Disaster
1991 – 1992 (Season 13) Foxfire Grease	2001 – 2002 (Season 23) Nunsense II Cinderella You Can't Take It With You		2021-2022 (Season 42) Professor How Could You
1992 – 1993 (Season 14) Rumors	2002 – 2003 (Season 24) My Fair Lady Kiss Me Kate God's Favorite		2022-2023 (Season 43)

**THANK  
YOU  
IN  
ADVANCE!**

# TBP Trivia Night

Our first Trivia Night fundraiser went over well. We didn't get the full house we'd hoped for but still got a lot of enthusiastic attendees. Many thanks to **Laurie and Michal Jacot** (coordinators), **Gregory Jacot** (writer/announcer), **Penny Zacharias** (runner), and all who donated prizes for our raffle!



Lots of people came to play, and saw our playhouse for the first time!



Greg Jacot, trivia master, stumps the crowd again!



Becky Archer's sister was happy to win her raffle prize!



After her impressive prize haul from the raffle, Janie Mundy should buy a few lottery tickets!



Becky Archer & Co. snagged First Place!



Hey, I know THESE people! TBP was well represented as Barb, Craig, Pam & Pat took 2nd Place!

Just one more shot of our amazing *Tawas Bay Players Singers* on our 4th of July Float!



# TBP RETRO

40 years ago (February 1983) TBP presented its first musical, *TWO BY TWO!* I remember naysayers telling us, “You’ll never be able to pull off a musical in a town this size. There isn’t enough talent for it.” Considering we DID pull it off (Twice! We presented it again in 2009!), along with even *more* musicals ... to you naysayers, I say ... “nyah nyah nyahhhh!”



**A MOMENT OF GRIEF** — A touching performance was given by Timothy Haskin, “Noah,” and Marilyn Barry, his wife, “Esther,” on the ark before being cast atop Mount Ararat. Their stage “children” are in the background. — NHP PHOTO



**TWO VETERANS AND A FIRST-TIMER** — Bob McManimon, center, and Debra Lee DeBois have many performances to their credit, while Bruce Bennett, left, had no previous acting experience prior to Tawas Bay Players’ “Two by Two.” All performed credibly. — NHP PHOTO

## Tawas Bay Players Get ‘A-Plus’ Rating for ‘Two by Two’

a copy of the script would all say that the statement is not true.

Haskin, an occasional sports-caster on local stations, has one previous performance in local thea-

