



# OTP NEWS

## OLD TOWN PLAYERS COMMUNITY THEATRE & ARTS CENTER



### Volunteer Spotlight

Founded in 1897 in Muncie, Indiana, Psi Iota Xi is a philanthropic women's sorority supporting art, music, literature, speech and hearing with chapters throughout the midwestern United States.

The Alpha Omicron chapter of Vincennes has been a long time supporter of Old Town Players, offering more than just financial support. If you've attended a second Sunday performance with us, you've likely seen the ladies in blue taking tickets or serving up popcorn or other concessions. We enjoy having their warm and always welcoming energy and appreciate their steadfast commitment to the arts and to us!

If you are a member of a civic organization that may be interested in serving our community in a similar way, there are ample volunteer opportunities at OTP! Contact Board President Shari Phillips at 812-882-8269 to learn more!

***“Strong communities are born out of individuals being their best selves.”***

*—Leanne Betasamosake Simpson*



A sneak peek of the auditorium ceiling and walls as the transformation begins. Photo credit: Bryan Bible

### Setting the Stage for the Future: Facility Improvements Underway

Facing an aging infrastructure and a limited financial situation, the OTP Board of Directors took a bold and decisive step forward in early 2025 by formally committing to an ambitious capital campaign in an effort to secure our beloved theater's future and expand its impact on our community for generations to come. Blessed with the talent and generosity of a gifted grant writer and the opportunity to partner with Patronicity and the Indiana Housing & Community Development's Creating Places matching grant program, the goal was set at a daunting \$50,000 in just 60 days. A deep breath was taken followed by that proverbial leap.

Thanks to our generous patrons and community who contributed an incredible \$83,000 to the cause, we crushed our fundraising goal, resulting in a match of \$50,000 from the IHCD.

After months of planning, work began in the late fall of 2025 with the replacement of our roof.

Immediately following the wrap of our Christmas production, crews descended upon the auditorium and made quick work of scraping, patching, repairing, and applying fresh paint to the walls and ceiling.

When Mother Nature decides to cooperate, we'll move on to resurfacing the veranda, the eaves and soffits will be repaired, and fresh white paint to match that gleaming dome will be applied to the exterior.

Stay tuned for progress updates and a special announcement about how you can get a front row seat to see the finished product for yourself and learn about opportunities to help us continue the progress!

## The Afterlife Has Never Been Livelier!

Rehearsals are in full swing for *Beetlejuice, Jr.* and the energy in the room grows with every run-through. Music, movement, storytelling and a larger-than-life set unlike any our stage has seen before are coming together as the cast sharpens vocals, locks in choreography, and leans into the show's humor and heart. There's a strong sense of momentum and cast chemistry as we draw nearer to opening night.

Don't miss your chance to experience the strange and unusual! Mark your calendars now and come enjoy a night of laugh out loud moments, music, and just the right amount of spooky fun the whole family is sure to enjoy!



Show some love for OTP on **Thursday, February 12**, at Procopio's Pizza and Pasta! 20% of proceeds from all dine in and carry out orders for the entire day will be donated to Old Town Players, Inc.

Come for lunch, then come back for dinner! You'll enjoy some of the best food and service in town!

OTP is working hard to continue funding additional improvements to our facility and we are grateful to Procopio's for helping us achieve our goals. We hope to see you there!



**At Old Town Players, we believe theatre is a love story — between artists and audiences, friends and neighbors, laughter and tears. We're so grateful to share our love story with you!**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### PROCOPIO'S DINE TO DONATE

FEBRUARY 12

20% of all dine-in and carry-out orders will be donated to Old Town Players, Inc.

### FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 18 @ 6PM

Board Meetings open to public

### BEETLEJUICE, JR.

MARCH 20-22 & 27-29

Fridays & Saturdays at 7:00pm  
Sundays at 3:00pm

### MARCH BOARD MEETING

MARCH 25 @ 6PM

Board Meetings open to public



## Stay Informed

Be sure to join our Facebook group **Old Town Players** or follow **otp47591** on Instagram to stay in the know about all OTP happenings!



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