

WHAT A WONDERFUL YEAR AT CHAFFIN'S BARN!

2017 has been a banner year at Chaffin's blending tradition while adding many new exciting traditions and benefits. As a team Chaffin's is so proud of our season, and extremely grateful to our long time Season and Sampler ticket holders for their ongoing support! **Thank you!**

The heart and success of the Barn pure and simple has always been the theatre team. **Led by Artistic Director Martha Wilkinson**, and supported by Daniel, Bradley, Joy, Everett, and Jamie they created memorable musicals like Sister Act, Mama Mia and Smoke on the Mountain - to as Broadway World reported return "the Barn" to its glory days. With ongoing performances by "barn favorites" Brett, Jenny, Lani, Charlie, Curits and others, and by adding many newcomers – Gerald, Stuart, Gracie just to name a few, every show was performed with excellence and before record setting sold out audiences. **Congratulations to all.**

Donnie led building operations (no easy task) and was responsible for the **Kitchen Dream Team** which was inspired by Chef John and produced by Katie, Jay, Vadim, Zack, and Pavel. Keeping barn favorites like Peanut Butter Pie and Apple Strudel, the Dream Team added many new culinary favorites - Prime Rib, Swamp Soup, Vegan and Gluten free items, and a small plates menu that was quickly embraced by the patrons. Serving the dining room long time Barn Staff Dining Room Manager - **Adam** and Bar Manager, **Mike Scott** were supported by other long time Barn favorites - Don, Charles, BJ, Brian, and Robin while adding several exceptional newcomers. **JOB WELL DONE!**

The box office/group sales/admin team led by **Thea, David**, Greg, and Sharon did an amazing job of implementing a computerized system with online ticketing, and managing seating for sold out houses on a regular basis. Hosting over 1500 senior citizens for matinees every month, producing community outreach and fundraisers like a benefit for Alzheimer's, Abused Children, Hearing Impaired performances every show were just a few of this team's major accomplishments. To all of you "**Happy Valentine's Day!**"

As our **52nd season** of 2018 dawns we are pleased to announce **Disney's Freaky Friday** opening January 17th. After that show The Barn will close from Feb 23rd until August 1st for much needed major renovations. Including a new roof, kitchen, plumbing, electrical, and **YES** hopefully the stage to once again raise and lower (depending on "code" approval). The Barn will **re-open in August** with SISTER ACT (the revival), followed by Disney's NEWSIES, AND ELF! While renovations are ongoing the theatre team may do offsite plays only. We will be announcing any possible offsite shows via email and Facebook so if you haven't added your email to our list please visit the box office to be sure to be included. Since 2018 will be a shortened season we will not be offering Season or Sampler passes, however for all 2017 **Season and Sampler holders only** we will be offering special pricing. Please see the box office or ask your server.

Finally, as the lady in Pink Tennis Shoes - to John and Janie Chaffin for their continued support and efforts (**Janie, the garden is beautiful!**) - to the patrons who have continued to support and promote the Barn, and to the **Barn Team** – the finest group of people I have ever had the privilege of working with - my heartfelt thanks and gratitude.

To all of you – Here is to the **Next 50 Years at Chaffins** and wishing you a wonderful Holiday Season and a Blessed New Year!