

# PIONEER PLAYHOUSE NEWSLETTER

December 2023

## Celebrating 75 Seasons in 2024!

**June 7 - June 29**

Adapted by Patrick Barlow

From the novel by John Buchan and the movie by Alfred Hitchcock! Mix a Hitchcock masterpiece with a juicy spy novel, add a dash of Monty Python, and you have *The 39 Steps*! A fast-paced who-dunnit with 150 zany characters, an onstage plane crash, hand cuffs, missing fingers, and some good old-fashioned romance. Hilarious and not-to-be-missed! *All ages.*

## THE 39 STEPS



**July 2 - July 20** ★ **That Book Woman** ★  
**World Premiere! Kentucky Voices Original!**

Adapted by Holly Hepp-Galvan (*Guarded, Granted*)

*From the classic picture book by Heather Henson*



High in the hills of Kentucky, everybody's talking about the lady who rides straight up the mountainside on horseback braving all kinds of weather as part of Eleanor Roosevelt's new-fangled Pack Horse Library project. Crazy risking life and limb just for a bunch of books, some say. And yet, what the rider brings, week after week, is more than stories tucked inside her saddlebags; what *"that Book Woman"* brings to the people of Appalachia is a new sense of wonder and pride, a new kind of hope. A heartfelt, uplifting celebration of a beloved piece of Kentucky history for the whole family to enjoy. *All ages!*

**July 23 - August 10**

★ **FIREFLIES** ★ By Matthew Barber

From the novel by Annette Sanford

***Starring Patricia Hammond!***

Eleanor lives a quiet life, set in her routines and secure in her position as the most respected woman in her small Texas town...until a hole in her roof draws the attention of a smooth-talking drifter named Abel, intent on renovating Eleanor's house, and possibly her life. A funny, feel-good comedy about finding love when you least expect it. *All ages..*



★ **August 15, 16 & 17** ★

## WE THREE KINGS: AN ELVIS EXPERIENCE

A one-of-a kind musical extravaganza! From the electrifying 50's to the silver screen 60's to the glitz and glamor of the Vegas! Three different **Elvis Tribute Artists** on one stage - plus a live band! **A night of Elvis you won't want to miss!** *All ages.*

# Happy 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to Us!!!!



We are Kentucky's oldest outdoor theatre, and one of the oldest continuously operated summer stock theatres in the whole country!!!! For **75 consecutive seasons** (including the Covid-19 year), we have brought Broadway to the Bluegrass!!! And we're still going strong! Make your plans to come to every show this summer!

*Here are some important dates to remember:*

- ★ Opening night: June 7th
- ★ Alumni Weekend: June 14-16th
- ★ 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala: Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> with live music, dancing, food and bar!
- ★ Our glitzy Anniversary Gala event - Saturday, June 15!

We're inviting **alumni from all seven decades** to come join us for a weekend of **reminiscing and telling Pioneer Playhouse stories!** We've even invited **John Travolta and Lee Majors** – but they haven't sent an RSVP yet. **We'll keep you posted!**

*And we'll also keep you posted on discounts at local hotels.*



★ **Mark your calendars for a BIG ANNIVERSARY PARTY on Saturday, June 15!** ★





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## ★ Pioneer Playhouse - Celebrating 75 Seasons! ★ **Unwind ... Under the stars!**

Dinner & theatre: \$40 • Theatre only: \$22  
Dinner 7:30 pm • Showtime 8:30 pm

Reservations: (859) 236-2747

Monday – Friday: 9 am - 1 pm  
[pioneerplayhouse@att.net](mailto:pioneerplayhouse@att.net)

**PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE ★ [www.pioneerplayhouse.com](http://www.pioneerplayhouse.com)**

### We are Celebrating our 75th Anniversary!

(Kentucky's Oldest Outdoor Theatre)

**But we still need your support to keep moving forward.**

Please Support us and all your local artists and art spaces!

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