

NEWSVIEWS

EXCHANGE CLUB of MATTOON

THE LITTLE THEATER on the SQUARE

Therese Kincade, Associate Artistic Director & Casting Director provided an outstanding history lesson on the behind the scenes of the productions at the Little Theater. Insights into how the casting is designed through the interview process of union actors. After interviews in the Chicago area are completed and shows have the full complement are contracts started. Annual budgets for the actors, stagehands, carpenters, equipment purchases, annual repairs, utilities, and the production cost to the owner of the play are significant. Actors are in constant roles as they are, many times, contracted for more than one show. Rehearsal is continuous as each week they keep current on this week's show and then begin practice for the next week's show. While under contract and operating in two shifts a day practicing most crash at rental property in Sullivan. Off stage (or under the stage) are the musicians that perform for each show. Here they have been locals that perform and travel from their homes in Springfield, Champaign, or Charleston.



Since 1957, The Little Theatre on The Square has entertained over two million patrons as the only professional theatre between Chicago and St. Louis in Illinois. From educational programs for students K-12 to professional main stage programming,

The 2026 Season includes Guys and Dolls, Little Shop of Horrors, Greater Tuna, Annie, Come From Away and Route 66.

Shown with Therese is Lucy Perkins, Club President and Larry Maxxedon President Elect presenting an appreciation check to the Little Theater.

MAY 2026



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Covenant of Service

Accepting the divine privilege of single and collective responsibility as life's noblest gift, I covenant with my fellow Exchangites:

To consecrate my best energies to the uplifting of Social, Religious, Political, and Business ideals;

To discharge the debt I owe to those of high and low estate who have served and sacrificed that the heritage of American citizenship might be mine;

To honor and respect law, to serve my fellowmen and to uphold the ideals and institutions of my Country;

To implant the life-giving, society-building spirit of Service and Comradship in my social and business relationships;

To serve in Unity with those seeking better conditions, better understandings, and greater opportunities for all.

MATTOON HIGH SCHOOL AWARD to SENIOR STUDENTS

The Exchange Club of Mattoon recognized Aliana Nolte as Student of the Year and Jorun Haldursen as Student of the month at a recognition breakfast.



These Mattoon High School 2026 seniors received a recognition plaque and a scholarship check as a recognition of their achievement at Mattoon High School. This recognition of their hard work and their excellence in academics and leadership precedes the next years of achievements yet to be accomplished. Recipients serve as role models to their peers by exhibiting exceptional scholastic achievement, respect for self and others, and ambitious career goals.

MATTOON HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Exchange Club of Mattoon Awarded four scholarships to Mattoon High School 2026 Seniors Shiloh Coleman, Jorun Haldorsen, Kelci Irons and Brooke Jobe at a recognition breakfast. These Mattoon High School 2026 seniors will have \$1,000 deposited with their advanced degree institution. The Exchange Club of Mattoon

scholarships are open to all graduating Mattoon High School seniors. The Scholarship may be used at any two- or four-year institution. These scholarships will not be need based, rather the recipients will be selected based on a combination of their academic achievement and school and community activities. A submitted essay addressing any of the four primary areas of Exchange Club Program of Service, child abuse prevention, Americanism, community service, or service to youth. Two letters of recommendation, one from someone within the school district and one from someone with no direct school affiliation will be considered by the committee.



STUDENT AWARDS

Thanks to Richard Heller as Chair of this Award Program



Jorun Haldorsen
Lakeland College
Bio-Science Studies
Student of the
Month

Aleina Nolte
University of Illi-
nois—Chicago
Nursing
Student of the Year



2026 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS



Jorun Haldorsen
Lakeland College
Bio-Science
Studies

Shiloh Coleman
Grand Canyon
University
Business Studies



Kelci Irons
Loyola University
Chicago
Psychology

Brooke Jobe
Lakeland College
Nursing
Studies



Many Thanks for the Scholarship Committee and Roselee Myers as Chair

PROUDLY we HAIL



Jim & Dee Cox
Apostolic Center



Kathy Pygott
w/ Jerry Parker—Sponsor



Tom & Becki Denning
w/ Rosalee Myers—Sponsor



Kevin & Pandora Hamilton
w/ Rosalee Myers—Sponsor



Kent Lowery
w/ Rosalee Myers—Sponsor

THANKS
Max Jaeger
Chair



Jeff & Jill Farrell
Sponsor Jerry Parker to award

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TO VIBRATE
@ MEETINGS

Thanks!



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7:00 am American Legion



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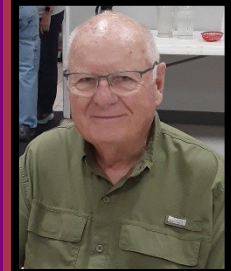
Lucy Perkins



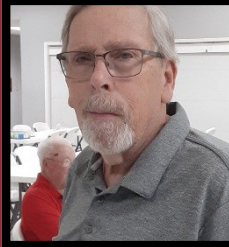
2025-2026

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March 27, 1976

March 27, 2026

50 YEARS OF SERVICE

CLUB ACCOUNTS

Operations Acct.

\$ 2050.16

Project Acct.

\$ 7188.86

Scholarship Acct.

\$ 103.82

Cash \$ 215.70

Scholarship CD \$ 8628.28



EXCHANGE

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FREEDOM IS NOT FREE



MAXEDON HAS PLANNED

JUNE

PROGRAMS

June 3

SJL School FFA

June 10

Veterans Support
Coalition

Connie Jones

June 17

Building Access Ramps

Mike & Diane Snow

June 24

2026 Officers

RAMBLINGS

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Bob