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'Tis the Season

As always, QE² welcomes the Holiday Season

with a combination of joy, friendship, fellowship and the crazy anticipation of combining busy work schedules with busy social schedules. Also, it is a time when we can give thanks for our blessings while at the same time taking stock of our commitment to our Corporate Mission, which includes caring for our community.

The Knoxville metropolitan area has seen unprecedented economic development and prosperity, revitalization of downtown and adjacent areas, and nationwide recognition of the advantages we enjoy.

Despite all the good news, the reality is that we all still have neighbors who need our help. Whether they are homeless, physically or mentally impaired, or simply students in need of enrichment, we at QE² make it our business to contribute. And we encourage others to likewise.

We take the opportunity of the season and this newsletter to highlight some of the endeavors of QE² and especially our dedicated and compassionate staff. We also want to wish all of our clients, vendors, friends and associates a safe, loving and meaningful Holiday Season. ■

QE², Tennessee Theatre and Knox County Schools Team Up for the Youth Arts Alliance.

The Tennessee Theatre is excited about a new education partnership with Knox County Schools and founding corporate partner, Quantum Environmental & Engineering Services (QE²), entitled the "Youth Arts Alliance".

The goal of the Youth Arts Alliance is to enrich our young audiences and enhance attendance at Tennessee and Bijou Theater events. To do this the Youth Arts Alliance will provide complimentary tickets for select performances to students in Knox County through the Partnership in Education (PIE) program

and Music departments. Under the leadership of Scott Bacon and Richard Mitchell of Knox County schools, a pilot program is being conducted this fall. "I am excited about the Youth Arts Alliance Pilot Program and the doors of opportunity it will provide music students of Knox County Schools. Students will be able to hear and see first hand outstanding, high caliber performances they might not otherwise have experienced," says Mitchell.

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QE² Staff Take Meals on the Road

The Knoxville / Knox County Community Action Committee Office on Aging manages the Senior Nutrition / Mobile Meals Program. The goal of the Mobile Meals program is to ensure that seniors with restricted mobility are provided with healthy, nutritious meals. The Program is partially funded by the federal government and supplemented by local United Way and private sponsorships. Over 750 meals are prepared every weekday at the Mobile Meal Kitchen, a state-of-the-art commercial kitchen located on Western Avenue.

One of QE²'s newest endeavors is to support the area's aging population by providing volunteers to the Mobile Meals program. Once a week a team of QE² staff spend their lunch hours delivering meals in the Powell area. The Office on Aging is grateful to have dedicated routine volunteers, and our rewards are the smiles and notes of gratitude received from the Mobile Meals recipients. Taking our health and mobility for granted is easy and probably typical of most of us. Helping those with diminished health and mobility reminds us how

lucky we are and that in the event of ours failing, there are caring people in the community who are pleased to be of assistance. QE² management extends its appreciation to our staff that volunteer and make this possible. Parties who are interested in assisting the Mobile Meals program can contact Jennifer Oakes, Volunteer Coordinator, at 546-2786. ■



Mobile Meals Volunteers (left to right) Doug Cantrell, Pam Cook, Mark Berkheimer, Robert Fletcher, Kristi Reagan, Pat Mulligan, Paula George, Steve Jerman and Helen Henry. Not present Judith Vojik and Curt Crawford.

Youth Arts Alliance (continued)

The Youth Arts Alliance will be funded by corporate donors, private foundations, and individuals. "The great thing about this program is that people that want to connect with the arts and children can make a significant impact at any level," says Tennessee Theatre General Manager Tom Bugg. Donations at all levels are accepted according to Bugg.

The first Youth Arts Alliance experience involved a freshman class at Fulton High School attending the performance of Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra featuring Wynton Marsalis at the Tennessee Theatre. The students have been studying the history of music and have been specifically studying the cultural role and development of jazz in the United States. In addition to students attending performances, the Tennessee Theatre will be developing an artist outreach programs with schools.

Patrick Mulligan, Vice President of Business Development for QE² states that "One of the truly wonderful things about Knoxville is the quality and variety of the performing arts available—everything from roots to the classics to international performance. Teaching our youth to appreciate these will strengthen and invigorate our local assets and give a gift to our youngsters that they will carry

with them and enjoy for life." To participate, please contact us here at QE², Tom Bugg at the Tennessee Theatre, or Fiona McAnally at AC Entertainment. ■





VMC Holiday Store Looking for Donations

For the fourth straight year QE² will sponsor the Volunteer Ministry Center's Holiday Store by promoting the Gift Collection Drive. The store "sells" new gift items in exchange for points that shoppers accrue performing community service. The Holiday Store has been in existence for over a decade and it has grown so that last year it provided a means of respectful and dignified gift giving for over 250 families.

Sponsor partners who assist us include Robin Easter Design, who provides signage and promotions design, and WDVX, who will air announcements and sponsorship promotions over the next several weeks. QE² would like to recognize the generous donation of retail/office space by Duane Grieve of Grieve Associates and Architects. QE² also recognizes Holiday Store Manager and Coordinator, Kay England and Nita Rodriguez, who diligently spend their personal time and energies to ensure a successful Gift Collection Drive and store operation.

This year, collection boxes will be placed here at QE², WDVX, Lunch Box restaurants, Robin Easter Design, Disc Xchange stores, Renta Centers, the Knox County Sheriffs Office and the Knoxville Firefighters. Please help the effort and donate a gift. Note that items for teens and adults are in greatest need. Questions can be directed to Nita Rodriguez at 454-2411.

The Holiday Store is located in the Emory Place professional offices between Central Avenue and Broadway near the Blue and Gray Cemetery. The Store opened its doors this year on December 1 and it will operate until December 21st. Gifts for the store are gratefully received up until the last minute for those last minute holiday shoppers. ■

Suggested Items to Donate—We ask that ALL ITEMS are: 1. New 2. In Original Package
3. In the \$5 to \$30 price range

Children Items

- Clothing (boys & girls)
- Barbie dolls/dolls
- Books
- Cars and trucks
- Board games
- Legos
- Tea sets
- Sleeping bags
- Infant items
- Stuffed Animals

Teenagers

- Clothing (guys & girls)
- Sports Jerseys
- Anything from the small electronics list
- Age appropriate makeup
- Accessories
- Jewelry

Men & Women

- Clothing
- Fleece Wear
- Sweaters
- Gloves, hats, scarves
- Active wear
- Sleep wear
- Shoes
- Bath sets
- Perfume / cologne sets

Housewares

- Small tool sets
- Throws/afghans
- Kitchen items
- Cooking utensils
- Artwork
- Area carpets/rugs

Small Electronics

- Radios
- CD players
- Discmans (portable CD players)

- CDs
- DVDs
- DVD players
- MP3 players

Miscellaneous

- Curling Irons
- Hair Dryers
- Wrist watches
- Sports equipment
- Batteries (all sizes)
- Purses/backpacks/totebags



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