



The Flame

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A NEWSLETTER DEDICATED TO GROUPS, ORGANIZATIONS AND FRIENDS



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WHAT A GREAT WAY TO KICK OFF 2026!

A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO I SAW A SHOW IN LAS VEGAS. GENERALLY WHEN YOU THINK OF VEGAS MUSICAL REVUES YOU THINK OF DAZZLING COSTUMES, SPECTACULAR LIGHTING, LASER DISPLAYS, AND A LINE OF FABULOUS DANCERS. GLITZ! GLAMOUR!

This show had none of that. Performed in a little theatre with a small band and six women singing music from a bygone era, it was just as exciting, just as vibrant, just as entertaining – no – even more entertaining than any of those splashy musical extravaganzas. The show was BEEHIVE and I'm proud and excited that we get the chance to present it to you in our new season!

BEEHIVE - The 1960's Musical is a celebration of the powerful female voices of the 1960s. BEEHIVE is a musical so jam-packed with hits that it's almost overwhelming.

Six sensational women sing their way through 34 of the most iconic songs of one of the most important musical decades. BEEHIVE features the music of such great artists as Dusty Springfield,

Lesley Gore, The Chiffons, The Shirelles, Janis Joplin, Tina Turner, Diana Ross and the Supremes, Connie Francis, Petula Clark, Aretha Franklin, and many more.

Take my word, you will be swept away by the energy and passion of BEEHIVE, which has received rave reviews for its uplifting performances, live band, and timeless music. Whether you're a die-hard fan of the 60s or are discovering these classic songs for the first time, you'll find yourself dancing and singing along to the sounds that still resonate today.

Ed Flavel

Here's what the critics have said about BEEHIVE!

"BEEHIVE is a love letter to the music of the 1960's."

"With six alternatively bobby-soxed, mini-skirted, bell-bottomed and day-glo-clad triple-threat gals plus an on-stage band, BEEHIVE is all honey, no sting."

"A musical journey for the soul!"

"This trip back in time is pure joy and an incredible music experience."

"A groovy, far-out, out-of-sight night and a wonderful way to spend an evening at the theatre."

"It is amazing musical revue, making you reminisce and dream about days of your youth, no matter what your age – all of our powerful remembrances shared together."

The show's lengthy hit list includes Lesley Gore's "It's My Party," The Supremes' "You Can't Hurry Love," Carole King's "Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow," The Ronettes' "Be My Baby" and Dusty Springfield's "Son Of A Preacher Man," each performed with the utmost accuracy and "R-E-S-P-E-C-T." Be sure to join us for this eye popping, foot stomping, hand clapping colorful tribute to the "girls" of the 1960's!



**CELEBRATING
61 YEARS
OF KLOPCIC
FAMILY
HOSPITALITY!**

THE INSIDE SCOOP



The Sun City Trip Committee is an integral part of Shannon's team.

Back Row: Maureen Sala, Susan Snyder, Marlene Demstrom, Anna Alagna, Mary Maniola, Jerri Traggardh. Front row: Esther Skeggs, Arlene Benhart, Kathryn Oberle. Not pictured: Lisa Yost.

Shannon Smith helps keep a very active community on the go!

LEARNING FROM EACH OTHER!

Sun City in Huntley, Illinois is an Active Adult Del Webb Community of 5,481 independent homes with 41 neighborhoods. Now a FirstService Residential property, Shannon is the Lifestyle Assistant for the Homeowners Association, tasked with planning classes, movie days, concerts, and bus tours for their 10,000 or so residents. Her supervisor, Melissa Hornick, Lifestyle Manager, plans large events such as concerts and luncheons that are held there. They also have two fitness centers, one indoor and two outdoor pools, a walking track, and 50 charter clubs that plan activities. As one resident recently told Shannon, "Nobody could ever be bored here."

An active community of residents age 55 or older, some residents still work while others are free to play all day. The trips Shannon plans for them include most of The Fireside's shows, other theatres in the region, ball games, gardens, boat cruises, concerts, and historic destinations. They also have some that are transportation only, like Christmas shopping in Chicago or a day at Navy Pier.

Their planning structure is a little different than most groups we work with. Shannon has a team of 10 resident volunteers that actually help choose and coordinate the trips. They plan the date, logistics, timing, and meals then turn things over to Shannon to sign the contracts, make payments, secure the motorcoach, and handle advertising and promotion.

Melissa and Shannon submit their activity information to the staff who create their monthly magazine that each home receives. Then on the first business day of each month residents can make their reservations with full payment either online or in person for any new events, usually about three months in advance. Some trips sell out right away so they keep a waiting list they can share with a resident if they find later on that they're unable to attend - then the resident will find their own substitute. On trip day, the volunteer assigned to that tour will be the escort, utilizing the complimentary escort ticket. Sun City doesn't make any profit on their trips, they just make sure to cover their costs.

"I'm always working in the future. It may be August but my brain is in December!"

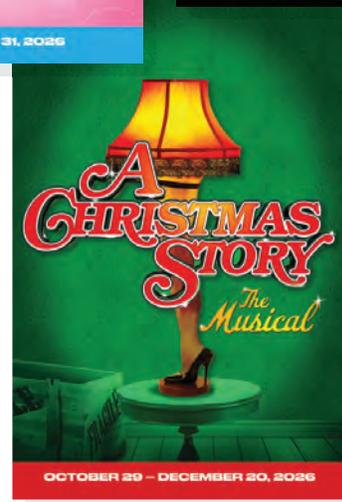
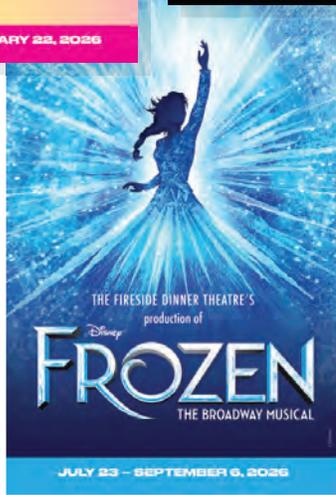
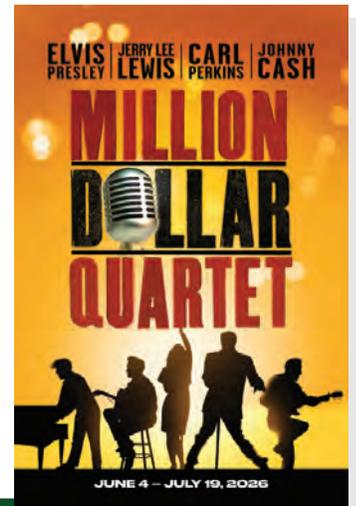
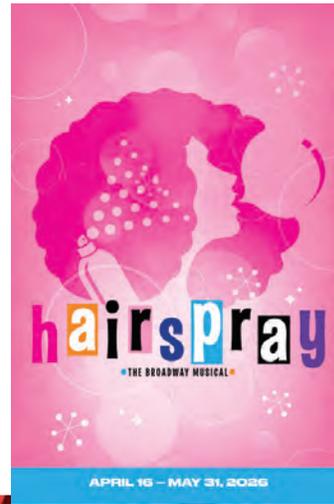
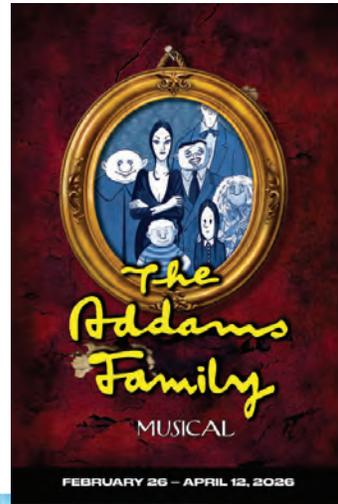
This system works very well for them, with the online sign-up being a really nice option. While Shannon hasn't been to The Fireside yet, she loves making sure her residents get here, noting that there are some who sign up for every Fireside tour as soon as they can. She also enjoys her role in keeping people active. "I love all of the people here," she remarked. "Everyone has a fun story and I love getting to know them. There are so many great people in this world!"

Outside of work, Shannon is Mom to three teenage girls who are all in high school. They're active in their church and in theatre so they're lucky to have a trained professional in charge of their busy schedule!



LOOK
WHAT'S
NEW!

BOOK YOUR 2026 SEASON
TODAY!



BEEHIVE - The '60s Musical - This show celebrates the powerful female voices of the 1960s in a nostalgic journey through the decade. We'll showcase hits like "My Boyfriend's Back," "Be My Baby," "Son of a Preacher Man," and "Me and Bobby McGee" complete with a live band onstage.

THE ADDAMS FAMILY - Join us for this tuneful, hilarious, warm-hearted show about everybody's favorite off-beat family from the comics, TV, and movies. Filled with music, dancing, and a charming love story, it's a fun-filled romp that will leave you laughing all the way home!

HAIRSPRAY - It's Baltimore in 1962 and a lovable girl with big hair and an even bigger heart is transformed from outsider to teen celebrity. Cheer her on as she uses her newfound power to defeat her nemesis, win the heartthrob, and integrate a TV network in this story of acceptance.

MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET - On Dec. 4, 1956, a twist of fate brought Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Elvis Presley together for one of the greatest jam sessions of all time. MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET brings that night to life with all the music you could hope for!

Disney's FROZEN - Inspired by Hans Christian Andersen's "The Snow Queen," FROZEN tells the story of sisters Anna and Elsa. Having played to millions around the world, we're thrilled to bring you this touching story of family and love!

"To Be Announced" - Trust us when we say you will want to see this award-winning musical, we just can't name it yet!

A CHRISTMAS STORY - Just like the 1983 film, the musical follows Ralphie's desperate quest for a Red Ryder Air Rifle in a show filled with wit and holiday wonder!

Call 920-563-9505 or email groupsales@firesidetheatre.com.

SEE WHAT'S COOKING



FEATURED MENU

*For Thursday, Friday, and Saturday Matinees,
Friday and Saturday Evenings,* and Sunday MIDDAY.*

Loaded Baked Potato Soup

With Jones Cherrywood Smoked Bacon Chips, Cheddar Cheese & Fresh Chives.

Freshly Baked Breads from our Artisan Bakery

Grilled Pork Ribeye

A Boneless Pork Loin Chop, seasoned and grilled until juicy and tender, crowned with a rich homemade pork stock demi-glace. Served with Basmati Rice and Broccolini.

Seared Atlantic Salmon

A healthy 6 oz. filet of Fresh Atlantic Salmon seared to perfection, accompanied by a luscious Lemon Velouté Sauce. Served with Basmati Rice and Broccolini.

Mediterranean Beef Short Rib

Seared then slowly braised in Olives, Capers, Tomato, Basil, and Red Wine until deliciously melt-in-your-mouth tender, resting on a bed of Garlic Whipped Potatoes. Served with an intensely flavored pan sauce and Broccolini.

Vegetarian Pasta Primavera

A variety of seasonal vegetables seasoned and sautéed in our homemade Pomodoro Sauce, tossed with Penne Pasta, sprinkled with Parmesan Cheese and a Basil Chiffonade.

Georgia Pecan Pie

Heartwarming Roasted Pecan Custard snuggled in a flaky crust, striped with a Dark Rum Caramel Sauce and topped with Fresh Whipped Cream.

Coffee, Tea and Milk

The Thursday Evening Signature Buffet begins with our Signature Salad topped with Papaya Chutney Dressing and served with Freshly Baked Breads. Enjoy two special entrée selections in addition to Beef Tenderloin and Roast Turkey from the Carving Station, Barbecued Pork Back Ribs, Chicken Tenderloin Tempura with Brandied Apricot Sauce, Beer Batter Fried Cod, Shrimp and Scallops Fusilli with Tomato Butter Sauce, Fresh Atlantic Salmon, Sweet Potato Soufflé, Garlic and Herb Whipped Potatoes and Steamed Farm Fresh Vegetables. Georgia Pecan Pie for dessert plus coffee, tea and milk.

The Sunday Matinee Brunch begins with Pastries from our Bakery and a Fresh Fruit Smoothie. We'll have Roast Turkey and Tri Tip at the carving station along with the buffet of Eggs Benedict on Jones Canadian Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Jones Bacon and Sausage Links, Chicken Tenderloin Tempura with Brandied Apricot Sauce, Biscuits and Sausage Gravy, Fresh Atlantic Salmon, French Toast, Breakfast Potatoes, a featured Beef Tenderloin dish, and Steamed Farm Fresh Vegetables. Georgia Pecan Pie for dessert plus coffee, tea and milk.

Saturday Evening's menu also includes an Appetizer course.



The featured menus for BEEHIVE include many of our most popular items from start to finish. The Loaded Baked Potato Soup that I created a couple years ago is back, loaded with flavor, cheese, and bacon chips! It's a perfect winter warm-up no matter which entree you choose.



After enjoying a dinner featuring Grilled Pork Ribeye, Seared Atlantic Salmon, Mediterranean Beef Short Rib, or Vegetarian Pasta Primavera you'll be treated to our Georgia Pecan Pie!

There are recipes for pecan pie dating back as early as

1886 with many of the better known cookbooks including it in the 1940's. Speculation is that French settlers in New Orleans created it after being introduced to the pecan by Native Americans. The makers of Karo Syrup contributed to popularizing the pecan pie in 1930 when the company claimed it was a corporate executive's wife who discovered it as "a new use for the corn syrup."

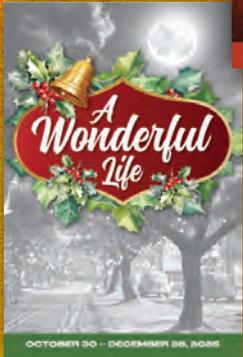
Whether that's true or not, our mix of corn syrup, vanilla, brown sugar, eggs, and butter make an excellent custard beneath the pecans. Served with a Dark Rum Caramel Sauce and topped with Fresh Whipped Cream, we know you'll enjoy every bite!



Joey Scott, Sous Chef

Coming Shows!

We look forward to helping you promote your trips to The Fireside. Promotional materials can be ordered for any of our upcoming shows through Group Sales or on our website.



NEW

SIX SHOWS ONLY!

2026 Promotional materials can also be ordered now through Group Sales or on our website.

GROUP SALES CORNER



I think I may have been born ten years too late because I am beyond excited for BEEHIVE, The '60s Musical. I have always loved music. I can't sing a note to save my life, but enjoy listening - well, and singing in my car at the top of my lungs, way off tune I'm sure!

For personal help with any of your bookings, call us at 920-563-9505 or email groupsales@firesidetheatre.com.



BEEHIVE The '60s Musical takes you on a nostalgic journey through timeless hits like "My Boyfriend's Back," and "Son of a Preacher Man." The story is told from the perspective of six young women coming of age during this transformative decade. It's a high-energy, foot-tapping sing-along show of iconic 1960's female artists including Aretha Franklin, Diana Ross, and Tina Turner. I don't know about you, but I am ready to sing my heart out - quietly, I promise!



We're still taking bookings for this year's Christmas show - A WONDERFUL LIFE. Give us a call if you're looking to get in on that!

The rest of our 2026 Season is also available now. We're here Monday through Friday from 10 - 5 at 920-563-9505 - just ask for Group Sales or email your request to groupsales@firesidetheatre.com. Happy Traveling!

Franki Elmore
Franki Elmore, Group Sales Lead

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Celebrating the GOATs - Our Greatest of All Time Products!

Since we're celebrating the GOAT (Greatest Of All Time) women singers of the 1960's, we thought we'd also celebrate a few of the greatest, most popular products in The Fireside Gift Shops. That list starts with jewelry, especially RS Covenant rings, bracelets, necklaces, and earrings. Purses are also popular year-round and leading that list is Baggallini. Not to be outdone, if you haven't tried our Beekman lotions, soaps, and skin care products, you really should. Plus, they're made with Pure Goat Milk!



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GROUPS ARE OUR SPECIALTY - SO SPECIAL DISCOUNTS APPLY!

WHAT IS A GROUP?

At The Fireside, there are many benefits for any group of 13 or more people (18 for the Sunday Middy). Our prices include both dinner and the show, however gratuity is not included.

Hold seating with a small deposit while you finalize your count, due four weeks before your visit. For weekday matinees, 18 paid tickets earns a complimentary package. For all other shows every 20 paid tickets earns a comp. There is plenty of safe, free parking on-site for coaches and cars. The Fireside is accessible to guests with disabilities. Please let us know what special needs you have when making reservations.

- Save up to \$17.00 per person over individual ticket prices when you book a group of 13 or more. Please see our menu page for the menu choices for BEEHIVE.
- The three-course dinner and show for groups of 13 or more is \$84.93 (\$80.50 tax exempt) per person.
- The Premier Group Rate offers an additional discount of \$3.00 per person when your group attends a performance BEEHIVE from January 15 - February 8, 2026.
- 2026 Premier Group Rate is \$81.76 (\$77.50 tax exempt) per person.
- The four-course Saturday Night Group rate is the same price as the other shows!
- 2026 Youth Group Rates for ages 14 and under with the youth meals are offered at \$61.72 (\$58.50 tax exempt) per youth.
- 2026 School Group Rates are available for Thursday and Friday matinees as low as \$74.50 tax exempt rate per student. Chaperones qualify for the Group Rate.