

## Treasurer's Report 2022

Financially this has been another successful year for our theatre. This has been largely due to the strong support for performing arts from both our local community and from the Government grants available to continue to support Arts programs while we are still experiencing challenges with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Audience levels have been significantly lower than pre-pandemic numbers. One of the steps we have taken to address the reluctance some feel to returning to indoor spaces is installing UV filters to sanitize the circulating air. As with most of our capital improvements to the theatre, we rely heavily on donations and grants to fund such projects.

Our three, and sometimes four shows for each season generate enough income to pay the expenses of putting a show on the stage and keeping the building heated- or cooled- and lights on. For each of these shows there are volunteers working for several months to build the sets, decorate the set, cast the play and learn lines, find or make the costumes for each actor and the props they will need. These volunteers are what make the magic happen.

For our special projects such as the childrens' summer program and TotE we have had to hire contractors to deliver those programs. The funds for engaging these contractors have been secured through grants from both local sources and the Provincial government.

Respectfully submitted

Sherry Bowlby, Treasurer