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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great enthusiasm that I write to endorse the Orpheum Theatre of Conrad. As a self employed piano teacher, I have enjoyed having the opportunity to host my recitals at the Orpheum. For years we piano teachers have had to use substandard facilities. Often we had to move exercise equipment in order to clear a path to a piano, set up tables and chairs, and tune the instrument.

Now, we have a beautifully tuned piano, lighting, a sound system and seating all available at a minimal fee. This has enhanced our recitals for the youth considerably.

The Orpheum also has many concerts and performances that benefit the youth, as well as musical clinics. The exposures to these artists inspire excellence in all who partake.

The facility is user friendly and offers itself as a multi-purpose space as well. Our youth are enjoying movies at a fair price, and are encouraged to go-- keeping more and more high schoolers and youth off the streets.

The Orpheum Board is genuinely encouraging people to use this space. Our church is having 75 high school youth come to a retreat and we will have a movie and speaker come to the theatre to fill a portion of the retreat because of the seating and sound.

The Orpheum is run by a board: however, Mr. Tornga, the Orpheum manager does an amazing job. He is on call and is often training folks on the facilities, lighting and sound system as well as being present to trouble shoot. I appreciate the Orpheum and Mr. Tornga very much.

Thank you for the opportunity to endorse this facility,

Mrs. Joan Cobb

Mrs. Joann Cobb

Concert Schedule
at Orpheum Theatre/Wiegand Auditorium

Concerts in 2004

Theatre opened in April 2004

April—Scott Kirby, Ragtime Pianist
May—Piatigorsky Foundation: Evan Drachman, cellist and Thomas Hoppe, pianist from New York City,
Centre Stage Quartet, Humorous Vocal Quartet
July---John Lithgow, T.V. , Broadway and Movie Star, Children's Program
September—Montana Old Time Fiddlers
(Hosted by Pondera History Association.)
October—Friends Making Music for Friends,
Three Missoula Musicians: Piano, Vocal and Flute
November-Grand Opening Celebration: Cascade Quartet,
Strings from the Great Falls Symphony
December—Christmas Concert: Music Central Vocal Ensemble, Glorioso
Handbell Choir, Symphony Brass from Great Falls Symphony

Concerts in 2005

January—-Scott Kirby and Music Central
February—Ken Overcast, Western Singer and Guitarist
(hosted by the Presbyterian Church)
March------Piatigorsky Foundation:
Soprano, Erika Wueschner, Pianist Spencer Meyers
April--------Chinook Winds, Woodwind Trio from Great Falls Symphony
May---------Pondera Players and Pondera Arts Council present
History of the Theatre Show
June--------U.S. Army Brass Quintet

Community Events 2004 and 2005

May-----Lori Kronebusch, Piano Recital
JoAnne Cobb, Piano Recital
Juanita Rodriguez, Piano Recital
November-Thrivent Financial, Finance Seminar
December-Conrad Elementary School, Christmas Movie
January--Troy and Myndi Anderson, Renew Wedding Vows
Frontline Ag John Deere Days
February—St. Michael's Catholic Church, Youth Retreat
Carol Gunderson, Piano Recital
March---Utterback Middle School, School Play

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