

## Letter to the Editor....

### Plymouth Arts Center Looks to Community for Support

Recent comments from several of our members and the Plymouth Review's *Where are we headed in 2011?* Perspectives column has prompted me to write this letter. In January the Review stated: "There are several important dreams beyond those chanted in politics," and listed the Plymouth Arts Center's Capital Campaign Building Renovation and Expansion Project as still another stunning project for our small city. They said the crucial element to survival and success is local support, all it takes *is for a lot of people to give a little*. Our members, friends and local businesses are saying, "I'm making a donation to the PAC Building Fund, because I'm so proud of what the Plymouth Arts Center brings to the community, and I want **MY** name on it!" We couldn't ask for better testimony!

We are pleased to announce that 60% of our \$1,500,000 goal has been raised. However to achieve our fundraising goal by our target date of May 15<sup>th</sup>, the balance is urgently needed through contributions or pledges before we can begin. Your help is needed now! Donations or pledges in any amount will be appreciated greatly.

The Plymouth Arts Center continues to grow from its inception in 1993 to today's membership near 500, and annual attendance topping 20,000 people. The new Plymouth Arts Center at the corner of Mill and North Streets in historic Downtown Plymouth. will be a revitalized anchor to the entrance of Downtown Plymouth, and with an expanded program of special events, will draw people to the Plymouth area. Additional traffic will benefit local businesses, and a well-designed and functioning Arts Center will be an enticement to those considering relocating to the Plymouth area.

The raised funds will be used to add 50% more seating in the performance hall, a new gift shop and gallery with additional hanging space, two new classrooms to satisfy the growing need for art education, a much needed serving kitchen for community events, and many infrastructure improvements to reduce operating costs and new amenities to enhance a visitor's experience.

We are asking you to please help us to continue our efforts to provide experiences in the Arts for all and to put your name or the name of a loved one on the project.

To make a contribution or pledge to the Building Fund, please visit us at 520 E. Mill Street, downtown, call (920) 892-8409, or go to our website: [www.plymoutharts.org](http://www.plymoutharts.org)

Sincerely, Tom Slater, President  
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