



• Mills E. Godwin Theatre



Dear Godwin Theatre Alum,

Whether you are a recent graduate or a seasoned alum, I am sure you have fond and vivid memories of your theater experience at Godwin High School and Mr. Mac Damron. Godwin High School has been fortunate to have Mac Damron direct its numerous productions over the last twenty years. An experience unparalleled in any high school in Richmond.

In August 2010, Mr. Damron will take his group of thirty talented theatre students to the International Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland - his last overseas trip. While there they will perform "Sweeney Todd" before an international audience.

As you remember from your days in theatre, fund raising is vital for students to be able to go on these once-in-a-lifetime trips. The Short Pump Players Angels fundraising committee is committed to providing scholarships to the thirty students travelling to Scotland. The trip will cost \$5,900 per student. Our fund raising goal is to reduce each student's cost by at least 50%. We are also looking into many types of other fund raising projects to raise the necessary funds, such as students writing letters to grandparents and family members; running a Beach Night fund raiser in February 2010, and playing bingo.

We are first reaching out to former Godwin theatre students to consider donating \$5.00, \$10.00, or more for each of your years at Godwin to make this trip possible for the students. For instance, if you select a \$10 per year donation, your donation would be \$40 (4 x \$10).

You can double your impact and your tax savings by pledging twice, at the end of 2009 and at the beginning of 2010. Remember that your donations are tax deductible and that your employer may offer a charitable contribution matching program. Enclosed are two postcards, one which you may use to make your pledge and the second to keep as a reminder to mail in your donation.

If you decide to make a donation, you will positively impact the lives of thirty students on this once-in-a-lifetime experience. I know they will be very thankful.

Sincerely,

Ed Polich
Chairman of Fund Raising