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Marlene Shelton • *Managing Director*

BoarsHead Theater exists to entertain, educate and inspire audiences of all ages throughout Michigan. Founded in 1966, we are the state's oldest continually operating professional theater.

BoarsHead belongs to Theatre Communications Group and operates under an agreement with League of Resident Theatres.

We hire union actors, directors, designers and choreographers.

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BoarsHead Theater's Managing Director Leaving Interim Managing Director Named

Lansing, MI – BoarsHead Theater's Managing Director, Marlene Shelton, recently announced she is leaving the organization for a position in North Carolina. John Dale Smith, currently BoarsHead's Director of Development, has been named Interim Managing Director.

Shelton, who has held the position since September 2005, is stepping down to become Managing Director at Cape Fear Regional Theatre in Fayetteville, North Carolina. She will remain in her post at BoarsHead until June 13, 2008. Shelton holds a Bachelor's degree from DePaul University and a Master's from UCLA. A noted playwright, Shelton's play, *If the Shoe Fits*, was a centerpiece of BoarsHead's Shakespeare in the Schools initiative in 2006 and 2007. In addition to her Managing Director duties, Shelton also serves as the Theater's Director of Education.

Smith, who will assume the Managing Director duties next month, is no stranger to Lansing audiences. He has served as Director of Communications and Special Events at Lansing Community College and is currently the Director of Music at Plymouth Congregational Church as well as Director and Conductor for the Lansing Symphony Big Band. Smith has also been seen on the BoarsHead stage, serving as Music Director and piano accompanist for *No Way to Treat a Lady*, *The People vs. Friar Laurence* and the hit *The All Night Strut!* Smith has also worked with Peppermint Creek Theatre Company, MeadowBrook Theatre, Williamston Theatre and Riverwalk Theatre.

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BoarsHead Theater is currently running *Escanaba in Love* by Jeff Daniels. The production was initially set to close on May 25, but has been extended to June 15.

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