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## Tip of the Hat

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To **the** Editor: Kudos to Bill Dwyer and **the** entire board **of** directors in securing **the** services **of** Richard Kuranda as **the** next executive director **of the** Raue Center for **the** Arts in Crystal Lake.

Now entering its sixth season, **the** Raue is a cultural, educational and civic jewel for **the** county and an economic driver for downtown Crystal Lake.

Kuranda, a seasoned East Coast artistic director, appears to have excellent credentials to take **the** Raue to **the** next level, building on **the** legacy **of the** Raue's first executive director, Steve Duchrow.

We look forward to continuing to enjoy **the** diversity **of** programming that has been a hallmark **of the** Raue and will be curious to see what new twists Kuranda will bring.

Peter Benkendorf

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