



AT THE TICKET BOOTH, Tyler Shields (above right) and Kade Brown helped sell seats for the movie Saturday night. Paul Shields (below right) helped get sodas behind the snack bar. The board would like to switch to bottled sodas at the theater to help save time in the concession stand.

Pass the popcorn

Theater seeks summer help

A line of hungry customers stretched from the counter almost to the door, and workers in the snack shop were working as fast as they could.

It was almost 7 p.m., show time, and people were still trickling in.

The house was packed Saturday night, the only seats available were up front. "Over the Hedge," a hot new cartoon feature, was playing at Sunflower Cinema.

The community-owned theater, run by volunteers, was hopping with kids and adults.

Although there were enough volunteers to sell tickets and snacks, the theater board is still looking for more help.

There are just two active board members at present, Duane Dorshorst, principal at Oberlin Elementary School, and Bev Reiter, a dispatcher for the county. Jennifer Auxier, who had led the team the last two years, moved to Texas last month.

Mr. Dorshorst said they would like to get two to three more volunteers to become board members.

Mrs. Reiter orders movies and takes care of the concessions, he said, but they still need more help.

One of the main things the theater needs is people who can run the projector. Mr. Dorshorst said if there is enough interest, they will offer a training session some evening.

Anyone interested in operating

the projector or who would like to be on the board should call Mr. Dorshorst at 475-3049 or Mrs. Reiter at 475-3706, he said.

He said they are looking for people to work at the theater through the summer. The theater has shows at 7 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Mr. Dorshorst said they need one person to run the projector each night, one to take tickets and about three to run the concession stand.

The two board members say they are determined to keep the theater open, but would appreciate some

help. There are no paid jobs at the theater, he said; it is run strictly by volunteers.

The board is trying to raise money now for a new carpet in the foyer by selling raffle tickets with the Oberlin Camp of the Modern Woodmen. Winners of the drawing will get cash prizes, he said. In the fall, the board plans to hold another fund raiser for the carpet.

Upcoming movies include "The DaVinci Code." Mr. Dorshorst said they hope to get the new cartoon hit "Cars" sometime this summer, too.



AT THE CONCESSION STAND at Sunflower Cinema Kelly Shields (above) handed a customer a tub of popcorn before she sold treats to Jess Randel (right).

