

# The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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# President's Column

Congratulations to the 2022-2023 Board of Trustees:

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Many, many thanks to those leaving the board after years of service: Andrew Frank, John Frank, Josephine Perkins.

Also, a debt of gratitude to John Parker, who is stepping down from his duties as Prompter Editor after 15 years. They will be difficult shoes to fill!

As always, volunteers for all aspects of running the theater are welcome--email biseaton@usa.net for more information.

Barbara Seaton, RCT President 2022-2023

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## **Curtain Call Celebration Deadline Approaches!**

All actors, backstage workers, ushers, house managers, other theater volunteers and of course our patrons are invited to our annual end of year Curtain Call Celebration. It will be held at the Franklin Hotel in Rome from 6 to 10 PM. Dinner begins at 7 PM with awards being presented starting around 8.

Menu: Baked Chicken, Sausage and Peppers, String Beans with Garlic and Oil, Roasted Potatoes, Macaroni and Cheese, Tossed Salad, Bread and Butter, Vanilla Cannoli Cake, Coffee, Tea, Water.

Cost: \$25 per person, payment due in hand by 5PM 6/23/22 to Ella Alsheimer, 315-336-6540.

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## **RENT THE SIGN!!**

RCT Marquee is available to proclaim birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, etc.
\$10 per message, per day
Call John Parker at least one week in advance:
315-337-3254

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## **Summer Musical**

RCT is pleased to announce a special presentation of the contemporary musical, "Next to Normal" directed by Justin Jones, with musical direction by Josh Clanton on August 11-13 at 7:30 PM with a Sunday August 14 matinée at 2:30 PM. Presented by special arrangement with MTI Shows, NYC and produced by Maria Rich, Arnold Galin and Denise Morganti.

The cast includes: Jessica Sargent-Wilk (Diana Goodman, John D. Clarke (Dan Goodman), Chris Toia (Gabe Goodman), Hannah DeStefano (Natalie Goodman), Xander Wilson (Henry) and Christian Bradley (Dr. Fine/Madden)

With music by Tom Kitt, book and lyrics by Brian Yorkey, the show was nominated for eleven Tony Awards in 2009 and won three: Best Original Score, Best Orchestration, and Best Performance by a Leading Actress in a Musical for Alice Ripley. It also won the 2010 Pulitzer Prize for Drama. The story, which centers on a mother who struggles with worsening bipolar disorder and the effects that managing her illness has on her family, is intended for more mature audiences.

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### 2022-2023 Performance Season

After some analysis, RCT has decided to continue to present regular season shows for two weekends—Friday through Sunday. The play reading committee has been hard at work putting together a slate of shows for the 2022-2023 season and is pleased to announce the following:

October 7-9 & 14-16: "Annie Get Your Gun" Music and Lyrics by Irving Berlin, Original Book by Herbert Fields and Dorothy Fields, as revised by Peter Stone. Directed by Pat Stone with musical direction by Barb Seaton.

October 28-29: Evening of One-Act Plays

<u>December 2-4 & 9-11</u>: "**Tom, Dick and Harry**" a comedy by Ray Cooney and Michael Cooney. Directed by Eileen Tiller-Clanton.

<u>February 10-12 & 17-19</u>: "**Drinking Habits**" a farce by Tom Smith. Directed by Deb Martin.

April 14-16 & 21-23: A previously scheduled play that we are awaiting the rights to perform and will announce soon. June 16-18 & 23-25: "**Helium**" a gentle drama by Julian Wiles.

Directed by Arnold Galin.

Watch your US mail, email and social media for information on purchasing Season's Tickets and Flex Tickets—COMING SOON!!

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## **Box Office Bites**

- Season Ticket holders- Need to change your date?
   Whenever possible please call and leave a message in advance. We will always try to accommodate your needs.
- Flex Ticket holders- With Flex tickets you have many options. You can come in day of the show and choose your seat. You can call and leave a message stating: flex ticket holder, day desired and area (up front, riser, back of theater). Want to bring a friend? You can use a flex ticket to bring a friend with you! Give a friend the experience of live theater. We will do our best to call you back and confirm arrangements within 24 hrs.
- Remember there are now 2 weeks to choose from offering more options for you to see all plays. Having family/friends visit? There are group rates available for groups of 10 or more.
- Want to be involved in the excitement of the show?
  Help with tickets on show nights would be great. It's
  amazing what all goes on to get these shows on
  stage. Be part of the magic of live theater. It's
  always an exciting experience. Call or complete a
  volunteer sheet at the theater. (315)337-5920. See
  you at the show

# **Membership Perks**

In addition to being on the mailing list for advance notice of special presentations, for your \$10 annual dues you also receive a ticket for a free box of popcorn redeemable at the concession stand during the show of your choice; a lovely vinyl window cling that proudly proclaims you an RCT supporter, and for each show, one lucky current member will be randomly chosen to receive two tickets. You can mail your membership to PO Box 91, Rome, NY 13442 or pay in person at the Celebration on June 30.

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# Third Annual "Give-n-Take"

August 6 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM RCT Parking Lot Pre-Orders will be taken for:

Krispy Kreme Donuts \$10/dozen Broaster's Coffee \$10/bag

Taking in clean, refundable, returnable cans and bottles Boscov's Friends Helping Friends 25% discount coupons available for \$5.00 each

More details coming soonmark your calendars!!