



The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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Editor's Column

HELP NEEDED! President Seaton's message written frequently in this column over the years is that RCT "is your community theater". In our last few board meetings there have been several jobs at the theater that are in need of new volunteers. In most of them, you do not have to be a member to step in and help us out. I need each and every one of you to look these jobs over and if interested contact the person indicated in the brief description. WE NEED TO FILL THESE POSITIONS! Please volunteer!

John Parker, Editor



RCT Elections

RCT is looking for willing volunteers to sit on the Board of Governors. The term for the trustees is 3 years, and all others are year to year. Elections will occur May 21st. John Frank (frankj0@hotmail.com) and his election committee are currently working to fill the election slate for approval at the April Board meeting. This is the only job in this newsletter where you must be an RCT member who paid before Nov. 21st, 2018. Descriptions here are very brief and not all encompassing.

President- Runs meetings, enforces laws and regulations.

1st Vice President- Appoints all committee chairs such as concessions, 50-50, plant managers etc.

2nd Vice President- Plans RCT social events such as the holiday party, Trip to Turkey and end of season Curtain Call Celebration.

Secretary- Takes meeting minutes, writes correspondence such as thank you notes.

Treasurer- Pays bills and provides financial status reports to the RCT Board.

Financial Secretary- Creates the theater budget and keeps track of our expenses against that budget.

Trustees- Attend meetings and actively participate in theater activities.

Do not wait for John to ask you if you are interested. Let him know your interest TODAY so he can easily come up with this slate.



RCT is looking to get rid of an old upright piano sitting around in its outer lobby. If interested in seeing this item, please contact John Parker (contact info next column).

RCT Help Wanted

- **Audit Committee**: RCT has an audit committee. It is composed currently of the RCT Financial Secretary Dominick Provenzano, a person from outside the board and is chaired by a board member. It currently needs both a chair and an outside volunteer. A meeting is called by the chair usually between Aug. and Dec. of each year to look over the RCT finances for the RCT prior fiscal year (July 1-June 30). At the meeting, one person takes the receipts, another compares it with the computer record and the third uses the bank record. Discrepancies are discussed with the RCT treasurer. Contact John Parker for further information (315-337-3254 or jparker3531@twcny.rr.com) or to volunteer.
- **Props Chair**: This person is responsible to organize and keep track of props at RCT. This does NOT mean he/she finds the props for each show. Contact Arnold Galin (agalin21@hotmail.com).
- **Outer Lobby Display Manager**: The outer lobby has a computer monitor that is used for each show to display upcoming RCT events and news. A person is needed to volunteer to perform this function for each show. Current method is through Powerpoint slides that can be created at home and loaded onto the thumb drive which drives the display. Procedure has been documented and several sample displays are available. Please let John Parker know if you can take on this responsibility and he will transfer all his knowledge and materials (contact information above).
- **Summer Student Production Director**: If interested in directing the summer production, usually beginning in mid-June and completed in early August please prepare your show title, desired dates and age groups, a short show description which you can then present to the RCT board at their April 2 board meeting at 7:30. Contact Barbara Seaton (bjseaton@usa.net) of your intent by March 31.
- **Poster Hanger**: RCT has posters of the last five shows in our concession area. When a new poster is created for the current show, the prior one is available to hang in the oldest frame (all the way to the left if you are looking at them). Posters are then shifted left. If interested, contact John Parker (contact information above).

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TANYS Help Wanted

In the last newsletter, it was mentioned that RCT is hosting the Theater Association of New York State Festival Nov. 22-24. Respond to John Parker by 1 April, whose email and phone are elsewhere in this newsletter. Times are subject to change. Presently, volunteers are requested for:

Concessions: Volunteer to be in charge of the concession sales for the Festival. It is helpful if the person is available at 6PM on Friday, from approximately 9-5 on Sat. and 9-1 on Sunday. Also, if a person wishes to help, but not be in charge, let us know.

Silent Auction: Volunteer to be in charge of receiving, filling out an auction sheet, displaying and conducting the silent auction. It is necessary that the person be available starting at noon on Friday, from approximately 9-5 on Sat., attend the banquet to conduct a banquet auction on Sat. night from 6-10 and from 9-noon on Sunday when the main auction at RCT is concluded and money collected. Also, if a person wishes to help, but not be in charge, let us know.

Stage Manager: Participates in all rehearsals to work with the stage crew to help load in company stage materials and conduct the rehearsals. The key person during all festival performances to start/stop/time them.

Merchandise Sales: Volunteer to be in charge of the merchandise sale for the Festival. It is helpful if the person is available at 6PM on Friday, from approximately 9-5 on Sat. and 9-1 on Sunday. Also, if a person wishes to help, but not be in charge, let us know.

Other RCT News

Other Desert Cities: Tickets can be purchased on-line for this production. Dates of this production are Apr. 11-14. Phone line for reservations is 315-337-5920, starting Apr. 4 from 6-9PM. Featured in the cast are: Richard K. Stoodley, Linda LaPorte Stoodley, Eileen Tiller, Valerie Abel and Tim Huey. The show is directed by Denise Morganti.

Directors Needed For Next Season: RCT announces it will produce the following shows in the 2019-2020 season:

Guys and Dolls (Late Sept.)

Miracle on 34th Street (Dec.)

The Game's Afoot (Feb.)

Amadeus (Apr.)

Helium (June)

Exact dates for productions have not been determined yet. Qualified directors must present vision, budget, timeline and any other details to the Board on May 7. Please contact Barb Seaton bjseaton@usa.net ASAP if you are interested in directing and to obtain scripts. For more information about each play please contact Arnold Galin Agalin21@hotmail.com.

One Act Plays: Due to the TANYS Festival being held at RCT and a general interest to perform in different parts of the community the one act plays will be performed at sites in the community, to be determined. RCT is asking folks at this time to consider submitting a play they wish to direct. A formal submission deadline and submission details will be provided in a future Prompter.