



# The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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## President's Column

The US Presidential race is heating up and we all know that individuals don't really have much say in the final outcome. However, you DO have a say in the governance of YOUR community theater. The Annual Membership meeting with election of officers and board trustees is fast approaching. On Thursday May 21<sup>st</sup> at 730PM YOU have an opportunity to have your voice heard. The Nominating Committee has proposed a slate of officers and there can be nominations from the floor for any position. Current members are eligible to vote and memberships may be paid for at the meeting. There will be a report from various officers and standing committees about the "State of the Theater" as well as invitations to volunteer for the many varied areas in the theater. Light refreshments will be served. I am looking forward to seeing many established and new faces!

Barbara Seaton 2014-2015 RCT President



## May 21<sup>st</sup> RCT Elections

As a reminder, on May 21<sup>st</sup>. at 730PM RCT holds its annual meeting to elect its 2015-2016 officers and trustees. The elections will be chaired by the RCT nomination committee chairman Laura Brace and will offer up for a vote the following slate:

- President: Laura Brace
- 1<sup>st</sup> VP: Arnold Galin
- 2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Barbara Seaton
- Secretary: LuAnn Isherwood
- Financial Sec.: Carl DeFranco
- Treasurer: Bob Lewis
- Trustees: John Parker, Bill Moore  
Mike Sharp

Paul Phister has removed himself from the slate of nominees for the office of Trustee. At the meeting being held, anyone who is currently a paid member can vote. Also, any non-member interested in voting can come to the meeting and pay \$5 to be a member and vote. Nominations from the floor for all positions can be made from the audience. To be nominated, though, the person has to have been a Theater member since Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014 according to the RCT bylaws. We hope to see all members at the meeting!

## Cast Announced

### "The Saloonkeeper's Daughter"

RCT's final production of our 2014-2015 season is a musical melodrama called "The Saloonkeeper's Daughter". The show, being performed June 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> is a very funny musical comedy for all ages. The cast with their character names are as follows: Austin Nogas(Mannly Rasch), Jean Gudaitis(Seedy Schlepper), Dominick Provenzano(Blackie White), Bill Moore(Red White), Brian Angell(Grimy Geezer), Tim Huey(Rusty Witts), David Bunker(Parson Kindly), T. J. Phister(Molly Bolt), Livia Goewey(Sally Forth), Linda Slavin(Saloon Pianist), Samantha Steagall(Cinnamon Hickey), Brooke Costello(Charity Kindly), Kayla McGallian(Lily White), Eryn Kenney(sign girl). The show director is John Parker, assistant director is Amanda Milone, music director is Barb Seaton, and the producer is Laura Sharp being mentored by Sharon Parker. Tickets are available for purchase in advance on line through Ticket Derby at the RCT web site.



## AGATHA CHRISTIE MYSTERY

Director Carl DeFranco thanks its cast and crew for its hard work during the production of "A Murder is Announced". The show was performed superbly to four good audiences and successfully kept the audience in suspense in this Agatha Christie mystery. Thanks also go to producer Laura Brace for aiding Carl in this production along with all of the backstage volunteers who made this show come to life on the stage. RCT is thrilled to announce that the show was adjudicated by TANYS Roving Adjudicator Joan Luthor. She provided the following TANYS merit awards to the following:

- Meritorious Achievement in Acting to Jennifer Stalnaker for her portrayal of Mitzi
- Meritorious Achievement in Stage Design to John Frank, the Wednesday Crew and Laura Brace



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## RCT QUICK NEWS

- RCT opened its doors to songs and skits by Ondrea's Centerstage students on May 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Thanks to all who worked at our booth at the Rome Home Show at Kennedy Arena on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Dates for next season's shows were announced.  
*Musical "The Drowsy Chaperone": Oct. 8-11 & 16-18*  
*Comedy "Dr. Jeckyll No Place to Hyde": Dec. 10-13*  
*Comedy "Suite Surrender": Feb. 11-14*  
*Drama "Dreams": Apr. 7-10*

*Comedy "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike": June 2-5*  
Information on the shows is on the RCT web site. Season tickets are for sale for \$50, mail to Fred Normand, 1811 N. George St., Rome, NY 13440.

- RCT thanks the Wednesday Crew (John Frank, John Doiron, Dan Warren, John Parker Sr. and Fred Normand) for all its work at RCT every Wed. morning.
- Auditions for our annual summer children's (ages 5-18) production "Princess Whatshername" will be held June 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> at 730PM.

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This newsletter is published monthly by RCT and edited by John Parker. If anyone has any comments or questions on RCT feel free to contact John at [jparker3531@twcny.rr.com](mailto:jparker3531@twcny.rr.com).

## "Cash on Delivery" Spent

RCT thanks director Eileen Tiller-Clanton and Outcast International who presented a very funny comedy "Cash on Delivery" Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> at RCT. Written by British playwright Michael Cooney, the show pleased the audience with its comedic timing and pacing. Carl DeFranco is also thanked for hosting the company at the RCT facility and acting as producer for the show.



## End of Season Banquet Preliminary News

Second Vice President Vanessa Hansson announces that the end of season RCT banquet will be held June 26<sup>th</sup> at 6PM inside of Scotty's Smokehouse Bar-B-Que at 6700 Martin St. in Rome. Menu for this occasion will be a western barbeque featuring beef brisket, chicken thighs, salt potatoes, homemade mac & cheese, coleslaw, and green beans. No alcohol will be allowed. The price will be \$20 per person. You can pay at the annual election meeting or send a check (made out to RCT) or cash to Vanessa Hansson, 6493 Bartlett Road, Rome, NY 13440. You must make reservations (533-7564 or via email to [hanssonv@msn.com](mailto:hanssonv@msn.com)) and must pay your \$20 no later than June 19<sup>th</sup>. All performers this season should plan to attend this fun event.