

The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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President's Column

As if December isn't already crammed full of things to do, RCT has a few to add! After you come see "How the Other Half Loves" you can audition for "Steel Magnolias." If onstage isn't your cup of tea, how about helping to wrap presents at Boscov's for donations to the theater? We are committed to 4 time slots: Saturday, December 8th 4-10pm, Friday, December 14th 6-10pm, Saturday, December 15th 4-10pm and Saturday, December 22nd 1-4pm. The store provides all the materials, we provide the wrap power. If you can spare an hour or two during those times, contact me at biseaton@usa.net.

After Christmas, plan on catching a performance of our Talent Team Christmas Carol and start your new year with a variety show and party January 6. Anyone interested in performing in any (family-friendly) manner can let me know--singing, dancing, monologues, skits, instrument playing--you name it!

Congratulations to the cast and crew of "The Eleven O'Clock" for representing Rome at the TANYS Festival-you made us proud!

Need a quick stocking stuffer--there are still RCT mugs available for purchase (only \$5 each) and they come with an added bonus of free refills whenever you bring it back to a show. Happy New Year!

Barbara Seaton, RCT President 2018-2019

CREAT Mystery Dinner Summary

"Trip to Turkey"

Nineteen individuals participated in the annual RCT "Trip to Turkey". The hungry theater goers enjoyed some appetizers at RCT as each selected a mystery door prize. After this, they headed to their cars and once again no one got lost on the caravan to Nicole's in Camden, NY where all were treated to a Thanksgiving buffet. Party favors were cleverly made by Sharon Parker for each attendee. Thank you Ella Alshemier and Sharon, for another funfilled festive occasion.

"How The Other Half Loves" A Fast Paced Comedy

Performances for RCT's latest regular season production "How The Other Half Loves" are Dec. 6-8 at 730PM and Dec. 9 at 230PM. Director Arnold Galin and producer Lorraine Goewey have assembled an all-star cast to perform and make you laugh this holiday season.

There are three couples in this play, the men all working for the same firm. One of the younger men is having an affair with the wife of the oldest, and when each returns home suspiciously late one night or early one morning they invent a story about having to spend some time smoothing domestic matters in the home of the third couple. Both living rooms are shown in the single set, and both share a common dining room which takes on a character of its own as it serves two dinners simultaneously on two different nights. Of course, the third couple have to show up to put the fat in the fire, but that complication only adds to the fun of this famous farce.

Tickets are on sale at www.romecommunitytheater.org and reservations can be made by calling 315-337-5920 between 6 and 10PM. Don't miss out! Come see this fabulous show!

Auditions In December

RCT announces auditions will be held for "Steel Magnolias" on Sunday Dec. 9 and Monday Dec. 10 at 730PM. The show is being directed by Pat Stone and produced by Barbara Seaton. At auditions, Pat is looking for six women with age ranges from 18 to over 60. At www.romecommunitytheater.org there is a description of the six characters and a synopsis of the show. In short, hilarious and touching, this play is set in a beauty parlor in Louisiana. Through four scenes spanning three years the staff and customers engage in small-town gossip but we see a deep strength and purposefulness emerge. Performance dates are February 14-17, 2019.

Oneida County Tourism recognized the 65th anniversary of Rome Community Theater with a certificate of recognition during their 34th annual meeting on Tuesday, October 23rd at Delta Hotels by Marriott in Utica.

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RCT Quick News

One Act Play News: RCT's production of "The Eleven O'Clock" was selected by the adjudicators of the Theater Association of New York State to perform again as one of 5 short plays at the NY State Theater Festival on Nov. 17.

Talent Team Upcoming Performance: Mark your calendar to support RCT youth in their performance of a "Talent Team Christmas Carol" on Dec. 28&29 at 7PM. The show is directed and written by Dave Bush.

RCT Holiday Party: RCT's Family Holiday Party and Variety Show will take place on Jan. 6, at 2PM. You do not have to be a member to attend. Bring a light snack to share. Last year's variety show was well attended, and we are hoping to be even bigger and better this year. So, warm up that instrument, skit or other talent to share with us. All performers, please notify our Mistress of Ceremonies Barb Seaton (bjseaton@usa.net), so she can plan the program. If you would rather just come and enjoy the free entertainment, you can do that too! We are also asking that you bring donations of paper products (toilet paper, paper towels etc.) for the Rome Rescue Mission. Please direct your questions to Second VP Ella Alsheimer (ellaalsheimer@gmail.com or call 315-336-6540).

Thank You Paula Bush for your service to the RCT board. Welcome Chuck Teska as a new trustee.

Go See ELF the Musical at Syracuse Stage featuring RCT's Jonathan Kornmeyer in his professional debut.

RCT Awards from TANYS For One Act Plays

Naomi in the Living Room

Meritorious Achievement in Acting to TJ Phister for her portrayal of Naomi

Andre's Mother

- Meritorious Achievement in Acting to Josephine Perkins for her portrayal of Andre's Mother
- Meritorious Achievement in Lighting Design to Mke Sharp

From Hearse To Eternity

- Meritorious Achievement in Directing to Sean Arnold
- Meritorious Achievement in Ensemble Acting to the Cast
- Meritorious Achievement in Costumes, Props, and Set Design to the Talent Team

The Red Coat

- Meritorious Achievement in Acting to Brandon Severs for his portrayal of John
- Meritorious Achievement in Acting to Cassandra Dolan for her portrayal of Mary

The Eleven O'Clock

- Meritorious Achievement in Directing to Director Ted Lenio and Assistant Director Mike Sharp
- Excellence in Ensemble Acting to the Cast