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Rome Community Theater

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President's Column

Let's talk about YOU. You are Rome Community Theater, whether you just come to see the shows, work backstage, onstage, concessions, ushering, or serve on the board--you are RCT.

Our clientele encompasses all ages from the very young in the Talent Team and the annual summer youth production through the many seniors who keep the theater in good repair and running. We only exist because of your support in many ways. Now is the time to perhaps consider being a bigger part--no, it's not a pledge drive! In addition to the officers of the board, every year there are at least three trustee positions available to any paid member of RCT. The requirements are pretty simple: a desire to learn the inner workings of theater governance and be willing to volunteer your time. In order to be considered for any office or board member, you must have paid your dues (\$5.00 per year!!) no later than six months prior to the Annual Election Meeting held the third week of May; this year the cut off is November 21. Mail your name, address, phone number and email with your check to PO Box 91, Rome, NY 13442.

If you want to serve in other capacities, we have many committees that can always use some more help. Feel free to reach out to me if you would like to offer your assistance in any way. See you at the shows!

Barbara Seaton, RCT President 2018-2019



RCT Upcoming

"Trip to Turkey"

Those participating in the Annual RCT Trip to Turkey will drive from RCT to a mystery restaurant to be provided a turkey dinner with all the fixings. This dinner will take place on Sunday, Nov. 11th. We will meet at the theater at 2:30PM for quick appetizers and conversation before heading out at 3:30PM for a drive to....you'll see when you get there! Dinner includes turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, corn, salad, cranberry sauce, dessert, coffee/tea/soda for only \$20 (tip included). Alcohol will be available at your own additional cost. Reservations and payment in hand are required by November 3rd. It is not required to be a member of RCT to attend. Please contact Ella Alsheimer at ellaalsheimer@gmail.com or call 315-336-6540 with your reservation today!

RCT Musical A HIT!

"Great Big Stuff" hailed the cast. Everyone who performed in the RCT musical "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" had a great time singing and dancing to the elaborate steps choreographed by Catherine Gudaitis. Audience members roared each night at the arrival of Lorenzo Lamas, Hugh Hefner, Donald Trump and the antics of comen Freddy and Lawrence, diva Christine, excitable Jolene and of course who could forget the antics of Muriel and Andre.

Thanks for a great way to start the season go to director Catherine, Assistant Director Andy Frank, Consulting Director Suzanne Rodeo, Musical Director Linda Slavin, Producer Kirstin Walker, Producer/Orchestra Extraordinaire Barb Seaton and rehearsal pianist Evelyn Simanowski. The show could not have been as well received as it was without each of your talents.



RCT One Act Plays Complete

From Oct. 19-21, RCT presented 5 one act plays.

"From Hearse To Eternity" by Barry Douglas, directed by Sean Arnold starring RCT Talent Team members Cassandra Dolan, Makayla Arnold, Alexa Lyness, and Brandon Severs.

"Andre's Mother" by Terrance McNally, directed by Ed Ramsey-Lewis and Kirstin Walker featuring Ed, Kirstin, John Parker and Josephine Perkins.

"The Eleven O'Clock" by Josh Lawson, directed by Ted Lenio with performers Ted, Valerie Abel, Bill Moore, John Frank, Jo Ann Geller, and Carol Eggleston Furno.

"The Red Coat" by John Patrick Shanley, directed by Deb Holling starring Brandon Severs and Cassandra Dolan.

"Naomi In The Living Room" by Christopher Durang, directed by Barb Seaton featuring TJ Phister, Amy Simanowski and Ed Ramsey-Lewis.

Special thanks to Barb Seaton who coordinated the event, Mike and Laura Sharp who worked the technical elements of each production, John Frank for the event's set construction and Erik Kenney who acted as stage manager.

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RCT Quick News

Auditions: Director Pat Stone announces auditions for the comedy-drama “Steel Magnolias” will take place at RCT Dec. 8&9 at 730PM. Pat is looking for 6 women ages from 18 to over 60. Performance dates are Feb. 14-17.

RCT Boscov Fundraiser: Ella Alsheimer and Sharon Parker sat at Boscov’s on Oct. 16th inside the store at the designated free water and snack table to complete the sale of tickets for the Oct. 16th event. In total, the fundraiser raised \$440 for RCT. Thank you Ella and Sharon and all else who sold or purchased tickets -- including those who announced and sold tickets during shows.

TANYS Awards: TANYS adjudicator Paul Nelson announced the following awards for “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels”:

- Meritorious Achievement in Performance to the Cast
- Excellence in Orchestral Direction to Barb Seaton and the Orchestra

Program Thank You: Thanks to Chris Galin for leading the effort to create a nice looking master program for RCT with community advertisements. Her committee of John Parker and Kirstin Walker are also thanked for their ad sales.

“How the Other Half Loves” Cast

Director Arnold Galin and producer Lorraine Goewey announce the cast for the hilarious comedy “How the Other Half Loves”:

Frank Foster: Mark Hanna
Fiona Foster: Carol Furno
Bob Phillips: Dug Bartell
Teresa Phillips: Debra Harrison
William Detweiler: Chuck Teska
Mary Detweiler: Meredith Blando

Even though the show takes place Dec. 6-9, you can purchase tickets to any performance TODAY on the RCT web site: www.romecommunitytheater.org.



More Quick News

RCT is thrilled to announce that 3 individuals have been nominated for the Nov. 11 Syracuse Area Live Theater Awards. Congratulations to Kirstin Walker (Leading actress nominee for “Always a Bridesmaid”), Mike Sharp (Sound Design nominee for “Always a Bridesmaid”), and Catherine Gudaitis (Leading actress nominee for “Radium Girls”). See www.syracusenewtimes.com for information.