



# The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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## Presidents Column

Your Community Theater is striving to deliver quality entertainment during trying times and our creative efforts are certainly coming together. If you have not already attended, please take advantage of our weekly drive-in movies--nostalgic and fun!

Thanks to all of our very generous patrons who took advantage of the "Give and Take" event last month; lots of donuts, coffee and masks were sold. Many, many, many cans and bottles were returned to J & J Can and Bottle Return (8727 Turin Road) and if you want to continue to support the theater in this manner, simply tell them that you want to donate your returnables to RCT and they will reimburse us for you.

Our Play Reading Committee is working hard to find alternative methods of performance and later this month you can view some of the results. Veterans of the stage Maria Rich and Bill Moore are in production for an original one-act play entitled, "You Haven't Changed a Bit" written by Donna Hoke of East Amherst, NY. The short play, directed by Arnie Galin and Suzanne Rodio, has been rehearsed completely online through Zoom, and is in post-production preparation for public viewing.

Shortly after that show is up for viewing, Denise Morganti and Suzanne Rodio will be directing another one act play online. "Waiting" written by Joan Luther of Naples, NY is a timely play about human interaction that will be produced in the coming weeks.

Did you know that RCT has a presence on almost every kind of social media? We have had a website and Facebook page for a long time and now you can subscribe to and follow the theater in a couple of new ways:

YouTube: <https://youtu.be/O5x9zwlBqt0>

Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/romecommunitytheater/>

Twitter: @rome\_theater

Join us on any or all platforms and show YOUR support for YOUR Community Theater! Although it may be a while before we can present live theater inside the theater house, there will always be something in the works. See you at the drive-in! Barbara Seaton President, RCT

## Come To The RCT Drive-In

When was the last time you were at a drive-in movie? RCT has transformed their parking lot into a drive in theater. Shown so far was "The Little Princess" with Shirley Temple, and two Charlie Chaplin movies "The Tramp" and "The Gold Rush".

At press time, on Sept. 18&19, RCT will be presenting "Charade" starring Audrey Hepburn & Cary Grant. Lastly on Sept. 25&26 mark your calendars for our Horror Night featuring "Night of the Living Dead" and "House on Haunted Hill". We hope to be announcing movies through Columbus Day in the near future.

Admission is only \$10 per car, and movies start at 8PM, with parking available starting at 730PM. Concessions are available so come early, come often.



## RCT Community Events

RCT thanks all who came to their one day chicken barbeque held on July 21. Thanks to Scotty's House of BBQ, Rome Teachers Federal Credit Union, and RCT Volunteers Arnie Galin, Chris Galin, Suzanne Rodio and Denise Morganti for making the event a success. Stay tuned for another in the spring!

It was an exciting day for the August 8<sup>th</sup> RCT "Give and Take" event where community members came and dropped off over 12,000 returnable bottles and cans and lots of scrap metal; and purchased Boosters coffee, Krispy Kreme donuts, and RCT homemade masks. Thanks to the RCT volunteers who manned this effort as well.

RCT has currently partnered with Jervis Library to perform story telling of various children's books. Stay tuned to the Jervis Library Facebook page for our performances of these books.

Mark your calendar for October 14 and 15 for the annual Boscov's Friends Helping Friends event. It is our next major fundraiser. On those days either on-line or in-store mention Rome Community Theater at checkout and RCT will receive 5% of your purchase as a donation from Boscov's. And, you get 20% off on those days on most items. Remember, just mention Rome Community Theater at checkout. No shopping passes required this year.

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RCT Membership is still only \$5 per person for the year--mail your checks to PO Box 91, Rome, NY 13442 and Membership Chair Jean Gudaitis will send your card back to you. Remember, you must do this by Mid- November to qualify to hold a position on the RCT board.

## Quick News

- As mentioned in the President's column, Arnold Galin and Suzanne Rodio are directing and producing with the assistance of Barb Seaton a One-Act Virtual Play entitled "**You Haven't Changed A Bit**". This story revolves around two fellow classmates meeting at their 70th school reunion. This bittersweet comedy explores relationships and everlasting memories.

Be sure you connect with us on social media. This production will be uploaded to YouTube for public viewing for a limited run of 3 weeks due to rights. The video will be shared on the RCT Facebook page with an option for donations. The video can be shared freely during this limited run and a link will be added to Instagram and Facebook as well.

- RCT mourns the loss of long time volunteers Rod Hesse and Jean Vollmer.
- The winner of the RCT Stay at Home Talent Competition was Jeni and Lauri Yager who sang "For Good" from Wicked. Their performance can be seen on the RCT Facebook page.
- The Theater Association of New York State is sponsoring its annual Festival Nov. 20-21. It is composed of 2 keynote speakers and 15 virtual workshops on various aspects of theater. For further information and to register go to [www.tanys.org](http://www.tanys.org).