

THE CALLBOY

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February marks the beginning of a new editor for the Callboy, but I can't begin without first thanking Pat Perfect for all the time she put in getting the Callboy out to you each month. I also want to thank all the board members who have now entrusted me with this monthly task.

There are lots of interesting plans in the developmental stage at RCP, so if you are a member but haven't been involved for awhile, jump in and help make the theatre THE place to be! We want RCP to shine, and we need your help - we all have a different talent to bring to the table. We are planning

Fund Raisers to help support the theatre and its visions. We need you - **our members** - to step up and volunteer to head a committee for a Fund Raiser you are interested in and willing to help get off the ground. Please e-mail us at rcptheatre@gmail.com with your desire to help with our Fund Raisers, or with any ideas you may have to contribute.



We were pleased to help The Berks County Federation of Women's Clubs host a Fund Raiser for their organization that brought in about \$1,000.00. This money was donated to Opportunity House, which is a multi-service organization that benefits children, families, and individuals who face obstacles to living independently. The Women's Club bought the "house" for a performance of "Miracle on 34th Street", sold tickets, and had a silent auction on gift baskets, with all the proceeds going to Opportunity House. We think it is a great way to give back to the community and a fun way to help other organizations carry out a Fund Raiser. If you would like to rent the theatre for any of your events, call us at 610-375-9106 or e-mail us.

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Since we have changed our season year to reflect the calendar year (January to December), memberships are once again due, unless you became a member during the last show of 2009. Membership fees are \$6.00 for students and \$15.00 for adults. Membership Forms can be printed from our website - www.rcptheatre.org Checks should be made out to Reading Community Players, or RCP, and mailed to P.O. Box 13425, Reading PA 19612-3425 (Attention: Denise). If you would like to purchase Season Tickets please e-mail us at rcptheatre@gmail.com with your information. **What a great gift idea for any occasion!**



"TAKE ME OUT" is our first "up to bat" in the line-up of shows for 2010 - RCP's 90th Year Celebration. Santo D. Marabella is directing this play about a professional baseball player who announces he is gay, then suffers unexpected consequences.

A special thanks to Santo and the guys who came out for auditions. Make sure you support them for their willingness to bring to light the topics of racism, homophobia, masculinity and class discrimination in professional sports. Performances are

Friday and Saturday, February 26 & 27 at 8 PM, and Sunday, February 28 at 3 PM, as well as the following weekend - Friday & Saturday, March 5 & 6 at 8 PM, and Sunday, March 7, at 3 PM. Audience Advisory: Mature themes, nudity and strong language.

As of this writing, we're in need of two Latino actors plus one African-American, biracial, or dark complected Caucasian for the role of Darren Lemming. Contact Santo at santod@ptd.net if interested in any of these roles.



"Love Letters"

By A.R. Gurney

Directed By: Bruce McLean

Performed By: Pat Perfect and Sid Watts

February 12 & 13 @ 7 PM and February 14 @ 3 PM

At The Hendel House, 746 Centre Avenue, Reading, PA.

Reservations and Tickets available through Historical Society of Berks County by calling 610-375-4375. Tickets are \$25 - proceeds benefit The Hendel House. Seating is limited.

Refreshments by Ted and Carl Catering.

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AUDITIONS



Auditions for "Secret Life of Girls" will be held on Thursday, February 4th @ 7 PM, and again on Saturday, February 6th @ 2 PM at Reading Community Players Theatre.

Needed: - 7 girls, ages 12-17 that look to be the same age, and also 3 women.

The play is about the destructive world of girls on both the giving and receiving ends of bullying.

Performance Dates are: April 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18
Directed by Debbi Silas



Auditions for "All My Sons" will be held at RCP Theatre on Sunday, April 11th @ 6 PM, and Monday, April 12th @ 7 PM.

This very intense drama will be directed by Sue Sneeringer.

Performance Dates are: July 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and August 1

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MEETINGS

Our next **Board Meeting** will be held at the theatre on Tuesday, February 9th at 7 PM.

Our next **Membership Meeting** will be held at the theatre, on Tuesday, March 9th at 7 PM.

THIS AND THAT

The theatre is in need of some volunteers to help give it a **good cleaning!!!** This is YOUR theatre, so please come and help to make it "shine" for the start of our 90th year. The **GENERAL CLEAN-UP** day will be on Saturday, February 6th at 10 AM. Please come prepared with some of your own supplies, like mops and buckets, since we only have one of each at the theatre. This will be a day of fun and work, and together we can make the theatre spic-and-span.

Since February is the month of **LOVE**, it was suggested that we have a **"We'd Love" List** of the things needed for the theatre - they are:

- A Laptop
- A Small Copier

If anyone can donate or provide for either of these items, **we'd love** to accept them!

SEE YOU AT THE THEATRE

-Karon Wolf Brosey
Callboy Editor

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