

# THE CALLBOY

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Autumn is in the air, which means the leaves will soon be falling, and the smell of fireplaces burning will permeate the air. So stock up on some cider, and make sure you have your sweaters ready when taking those brisk walks to enjoy nature.

The month of October has some special dates, starting with October 1<sup>st</sup>, which is known as International Day for the Elderly. This day is dedicated to honor, respect, and care for the world's elderly, so do something nice for someone older today...remember, some day you will also be among this group! Of course, we have Columbus Day, which is always the second Monday in October and a holiday for many, which this year is October 12<sup>th</sup>. October 16<sup>th</sup> is Boss's Day, so reach out and let your boss know you appreciate him or her. Make a Difference Day, which is the fourth Saturday in October, held

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on October 24<sup>th</sup> this year, is a national day devoted to helping others by doing volunteer work in the community - maybe we could put this date to good use! And last of all, **Halloween**, which is October 31<sup>st</sup> - so Happy Haunting - boooooh!

## THE HEIRESS

The director of **The Heiress**, Bruce McLean, has announced his cast and crew members for the upcoming show - they are as follows:

**Catherine Sloper** - Stacey Cassler  
**Mrs. Montgomery** - Tracey Bukowski  
**Maria** - Erin Salvati  
**Mrs. Almond** - Kathleen Newville  
**Marian** - Kimberly Lapham  
**Mrs. Penniman** - Diann Stewart  
**Dr. Sloper** - Kirk Lawrence  
**Morris Townsend** - Dallas Mugno  
**Arthur Townsend** - Brian Miller

**Stage Manager** - Kim Richards  
**Props** - Ruby Smith  
**Make-up** - Beth Farmer

More help is needed, so don't be shy!!! Set construction for **The Heiress** starts October 10<sup>th</sup>, so come out to RCP and help - many hands make light work.

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## MIRACLE ON 34<sup>TH</sup> STREET

Auditions for **Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street** will be held:

Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>

Children - From 1 to 3 PM

Adults - From 3 to 6 PM

Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>

Adults - 7 PM



All auditions are being held at Reading Community Players Theatre, located at 403 N. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Reading, PA

The descriptions below are just a handful of the characters needed for **Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street**. This show has a huge cast, and there are many roles available for all different ages, male and female.

**Kris Kringle** - A man who gets hired to play Santa Claus at a department store and everyone thinks he is mentally unstable because he believes he is Santa Claus. (Age - 55 and Older)

**Doris Walker** - A woman who is cynical and doesn't believe in anything, especially Santa Claus. (Age - Late 20's to Early 30's)

**Fred Gailey** - An attorney who lives across the hall from Doris Walker, and is like an uncle to Doris Walker's child, Susan. (Age - Late 20's to Early 30's)

**Susan Walker** - Doris Walker's young daughter who has been taught, by her mother, not to believe in myths and legends - like Santa Claus and the Tooth Fairy. (Age - 7 to 9)

**Dr. Pierce** - The kindly doctor in charge at the Maplewood Home for the Aged where Kris Kringle lives. (Age - 30 and Older)

**Mr. Shellhammer** - A very nervous, self-serving employee of Macy's who works closely with Doris Walker. (Age - 30 and Older)

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**Mr. Sawyer** - A pompous, little man who works for Macy's by conducting interviews to establish mental capacity of employees. (Age - 30 and Older)

**Miss Adams** - Doris Walker's secretary (Age - 20 and Older)

**Mr. Macy**

**Mr. Gimble** - Owners of rival department stores (Ages - 30 and Older)



## CATCH 22

**Catch-22** is the tale of a small group of flyers in the Mediterranean in 1944. There are winners and losers, opportunists and survivors. Separately and together, they are frightened, nervous, often profane, and sometimes pathetic. Almost all are a little crazy. **Catch-22** is a satirical, historical, fiction theatre production. It is frequently cited as one of the great literary works of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. The pacing of **Catch-22** is frenetic, its tenor intellectual, and its humor largely absurd, though interspersed with moments of grisly realism.

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Several members of Reading Community Players will be seen in the production of **Catch-22** at Genesisus on October 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11.

Look for the following RCP members in **Catch-22**:

Bob Barskey  
Earl Boehmer  
Deb Britt  
Rob Britt  
Tracey Bukowski  
Paul Delfin  
Brian Miller  
Kevin Wade



## MEMBERS OF RCP CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER:

Shelby Foster - 10/4  
Colin Brosey - 10/5  
Bruce McLean - 10/6  
Xiomara Toledo - 10/7  
Deb Brubaker - 10/9  
Dylan & Alex O'Neill - 10/10  
Kevin Wade - 10/13  
Susan Reinhardt - 10/16  
Andrew Riznyk - 10/23  
Darcia Willingmyre - 10/30  
Pamela Savage



If you see any of these people at the theatre, or in any other circle, extend a "Happy Birthday Wish" to them!!!

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## THIS AND THAT

We will be forming a "90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee" to discuss special events and celebrations to commemorate our theatre's longevity. Please get on board with your ideas to make this upcoming year a memorable one. If you would like to head this committee or be a part of it in any way, please speak to Ruth Martelli.

Anyone who would like to help decorate the theatre lobby for **Halloween**, and help to hand out candy to the neighborhood children, please let Ruth Martelli know, so she can plan accordingly.

Our next Board Meeting will be October 13, 2009 at 7 PM

SEE YOU AT THE THEATRE

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