



## SUMMER 2017

### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

I am happy to announce that our requested use for the performance space at the Boys & Girls Club of the Bellport Area (BGCB) for our upcoming 2017-18 season has been approved! Wahoo!

Theater space ..... this has always been an issue for Playcrafters and I'd like to give an update on our current situation.

The BGCB graciously offers us time and space in their facility **without** charge. When we request dates for rehearsals, set construction and performances, they coordinate their many programs and at times move 100's of kids just to accommodate us. All that is asked of us in return is that we support their dedicated mission.

As the Playcrafter organization we do this by introducing our audience to the BGCB organization, by physically enhancing their performance space (lights, sound, stage improvements), by advertising for the BGCB in our programs, etc. As individual Playcrafters members we can support the BGCB mission with our time, talent, and/or donations. I'd like to ask our membership to think about the value of "Theater Space" and how fortunate we are to have this continued generous relationship as guests of the Boys & Girls Club of the Bellport Area.

Hope all are enjoying a blissful summer and are ready to get involved with our upcoming season!

*Chrisa Burke*



### OUR SPRING SHOW – ALL MY SON'S



Pictured: L-R Dan Schaaf, Christina Fink, Kelly Schmidt, Glen Beck, Alica James, Len DeLorenzo, Vincent Rasulo, Ron Kagel, Catherine Maloney, Matthew Kern, James Carey

Our spring production of All My Sons was a success thanks to the talents and hard work of our Playcrafters team. Director James Carey demonstrated great skill in working with the actors in developing their characters; the result was a uniquely personalized yet faithful representation of the play. This production was also a success in terms of building our organization; the production cast and crew were an excellent mix of long time Playcrafters, returning friends, and first-timers. Everyone worked so well together in helping us realize our special version of All My Sons; thank you all! *Vincent Rasulo*, Producer

### 2017 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Playcrafters Theatre Company is pleased to announce this year's recipients of the Margaret W. Smith Memorial Scholarship. Chosen from a group of very qualified applicants were the following:

**Deanna DiMartino** will be studying music education at SUNY Potsdam's Crane School of Music.

**Isabel Fritz** plans to major in history at Gettysburg College.

**Charles Olsen** will be attending SUNY Plattsburgh pursuing environmental studies and policy.

**Eva Stanganelli** is headed to Stony Brook University where she will study political science.

Congratulations and best of luck to our talented and deserving winners.

*Kathy Loizides*, Scholarship Chairman

### PRESENTING PLAYCRAFTERS THEATRE COMPANY 2017-2018 SEASON

**Fall:** Readers Theatre: **Harvey** by Mary Chase, directed by Jane Love.

Sat. Novovember 11<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 PM  
Sunday Matinee, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> - 3:00 PM

**Mid-Winter:** Main Stage Production: **Other Desert Cities**, by Jon Robin Baitz, directed by John Hannon

Fridays & Saturdays, February, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 23, 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:00  
Sunday Matinee, February 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM

**Spring:** Main Stage Production: **Moon Over Buffalo**, by Ken Ludwig, directed by Catherine Clyne.

Fridays & Saturdays, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 12, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM  
Sunday Matinees, May 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM

### All Performances at The Boys & Girls Club 471 Atlantic Ave., Bellport, NY.

Thank you to all who submitted plays for consideration, and to the Playcrafters Reading Committee for presenting the slate. Stay tuned for updates, this is an exciting upcoming season! Check our website, [Bellport-Playcrafters.com](http://Bellport-Playcrafters.com) for Ticket information

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## BELLPORT DAY 2017



As in previous years, the Playcrafters Theatre Company played an active role in the Bellport Day festivities for 2017.

Many thanks to Joseph Skelly, Jay Curran, Vincent Rasulo and Dan Love, for their engaging and entertaining portrayals of the "Bell Brothers" on the trolley tours during Bellport Day.

They provided lighthearted and informational insights about the history of Bellport as the trolley brought visitors around to the various venues and activities throughout the day.

### **A shout out to Kathy "Loizides for her coordination and costuming of the "The Bell Brothers".**

John Hannon, our representative and Board member on the Bellport Chamber of Commerce, coordinated the various acts and entertainment provided at the Show Mobile. Kudos to all for helping to make Bellport Day 2017 another huge success.

## READERS THEATRE AUDITIONS

Auditions for Playcrafters annual Readers Theatre will be held at the Boys & Girls Club of the Bellport Area, 471 Atlantic Ave, Bellport, NY

August 28 and 29 from 7 to 8:30pm.

The play is Harvey by Mary Chase. The Cast—six men and five women. Performances will be Sat. November 11, 2017 at 8pm and Sunday November 12, 2017 at 3pm. Call Jane Love (director) at [631-286-1136](tel:631-286-1136) or for further information, E-Mail [janemlove2010@gmail.com](mailto:janemlove2010@gmail.com)

## READERS THEATRE

Reader's Theater presents "Harvey" by Mary Chase on **November 11<sup>th</sup> at 8pm and 12<sup>th</sup> at 3pm** at the Boys & Girls Club of the Bellport Area

Picture this... Elwood P. Dowd claims to have a friend, Harvey, a Pooka, who Veta, his sister finds utterly embarrassing! So much so that she decides to have him committed to a sanitarium!!!! **OMG** --- and the comedy of errors ensue!

## THEATRE FOLK

Many Playcrafters Theatre Company members are involved in other regional productions. Come out, support your fellow Playcrafters members, and "Live" theatre on Long Island:

**Bob Maletta:** Director – *California Suite*, Clare Rose Playhouse, **September 29 - October 15**. Call Theatre for dates, times and ticket information – 631-654-0199

**Debbie Starker** Casting Director - Oceanside Library, Script in Hand Series - *Sixty Candles* - **October 15<sup>th</sup>**, 2:00 PM w/Q&A to follow. Featuring Playcrafter members, **Kevin Clyne, Catherine Clyne, Peter Morrison, John Tighe, Debbie Starker**. Call Library for details 516-766-2360

**Amelia Chiamonte, Claire Parella-Curran, Kevin Clyne**, join the cast of - *On Golden Pond* at the Clare Rose Playhouse, November 3 – November 19. Call Theatre for dates, times and ticket information 631-654-0199

**Bob Kaplan**, director, **James Carey**, "The Monster" *Young Frankenstein* North Fork Community Theater. Mattituck. October 12<sup>th</sup> – 29. Call theatre for dates, times and ticket information. (631) 298-4500



## The Whistler – Stranger in The House



Cast at rehearsals and recording studio above.

Ted Fleissgarten, Dan Love, Lisette Ruch, Matt Palace, Peter Morrison, John Hannon, Bob Maletta, Judy Perfido, John Simpson, Meghann Sullivan

Directed by Amelia Chiamonte  
Produced by Vincent Rasulo & Amelia Chiamonte  
Recording by Larry Sribnick \* Music/Sound – Jack Walker

The 2<sup>nd</sup> installment of our Radio Show collaboration with Bellport.com's South Country Radio is set to launch on..... We are proud to present "The Whistler – Stranger in the House" from the Generic Radio Workshop Script Library. The Whistler is an American radio mystery drama which ran from May 16, 1942 until September, 22, 1955, on the west coast regional CBS radio network. The show was also broadcast in Chicago and over the Armed Forces Radio.

To listen to the program, go to the Playcrafters website, [bellport-playcrafters.com](http://bellport-playcrafters.com), and click onto the *South Country Radio* link **OR** you can go directly to the page on Bellport.com by typing in your browser, [bellport.com/southcountryradio](http://bellport.com/southcountryradio) - then enjoy Olde Tyme radio at its best, brought to you by Bellport.com and Playcrafters Theatre Company.

Join us for the whole picture as Playcrafters Theater Co. proudly presents, in Readers Theater format, "Harvey" by Mary Chase. Two performances only:

Nov. 11th at 8pm and a matinee on Nov. 12th at 3pm.  
Tickets \$10 for non-members, **NO charge for members.**  
So save these dates and come help us launch our 2017-18 New Season with this hilarious play!