

## FALL NEWSLETTER

### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



The temperatures cool, the air becomes crisp and dry, and the trees begin to change to the beautiful Autumn colors as we try to squeeze in those last couple of beach days. I start to get excited, it is my favorite time of year. Halloween is here, and the season for giving thanks and celebrating family and friends has arrived. What better way to celebrate than by joining us for a poignant

performance of *Rainmaker* the first two weekends in November. Make sure to give your loved ones a hug and your Playcrafters family a warm hello each time you see them.

All the best for a happy and healthy holiday season,

*Sharon Walker*

### ANOTHER OPENIN' ANOTHER SHOW



Our Fall Production – *The Rainmaker*, by N. Richard Nash has been perceptively cast by our director Catherine Clyne.

*“I was thrilled when Playcrafters invited me to direct *The Rainmaker* by N. Richard Nash for their Fall production. Not only is the play a touching romantic comedy, but it brings the timeless message that faith can make amazing things happen. Set in the Dust Bowl in the 1930’s, this is the story of the Curry family who hope for freedom from the drought they have been experiencing for months. Into their lives walks a mysterious, charismatic stranger who changes each of them forever. This is the story of Lizzie Curry, the daughter of the family, who longs for love like she longs for rain and of the magic that happens when she finds the only real love that matters. Please join us for this heartwarming tale of hope and transformation. We look forward to seeing you there.”*

*Catherine Clyne*

Cast in this charming production are: Matt Boose, Joseph Cavagnet, Michael Cerevella, Flo Federman, George A. Loizides, Derek McLaughlin and Mark Santaromita.

### BELLPORT DAY

On July 28<sup>th</sup>, Playcrafters once again participated in the Bellport Day celebrations. In addition to our Annual Historic Trolley Tour of Bellport Village, we presented an enhanced version of our 2018 Bellport.Com Radio Show, *Life of Riley*. This classic of early radio was directed by Peter Morrison and performed on the mobile stage in front of Bellport Fire Department. Members of Playcrafters also enjoyed meeting and greeting our community members at the Playcrafters booth on Main Street.

Many folks from the Village and surrounding communities stopped by to say hello to see what we’re all about and enter our raffle drawing. The happy winners of tickets to our fall production, *The Rainmaker* are Lois Kashansky of Holbrook, Scott & Patty Munson of Bellport, and Peg & Al Rand of Bellport.

Winning tickets to our spring production *Over the River and Through the Woods* went to: Darcy Stevens of Bellport and Bill Langston of Mastic.

Congratulations and thank you all for stopping by to say hello!!



### RAINMAKER DATES AND TICKET INFO

Fridays and Saturdays **November 2nd, 3rd, 9th and 10th at 8:00pm**

Sundays at **November 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm**

Please visit our web-site to purchase tickets thru Brown Paper Tickets:

[www.bellport-playcrafters.com](http://www.bellport-playcrafters.com)

Tickets can also be purchased at the door on show dates

Performances held at our theatre space at the Boys & Girls Club of the Bellport Area  
471 Atlantic Ave., Bellport, NY

**SUMMER READERS THEATER**

Playcrafters Readers Theater presented Agatha Christie's Murder on the Nile, directed by Jane Love on August 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

The audience was kept guessing who the murderer was right up to the last line! Congratulations to the remarkable cast and terrific production staff! Job well done!

Pictured with cast are Director Jane Love, and Stage Manager Lexi Walker.



**CALLING ALL DIRECTORS!!**

As of January 1, 2019, our play reading committee will be accepting submissions from anyone who would like to direct a show during the 2019 - 2020 season which runs from August 2019 to June 2020. Our main stage performances usually run in the fall, winter and spring. The genre we will consider are Modern/Classic Dramas or Modern/Classic Comedies.

You may submit up to 2 plays that you would either want to direct or would feel would be good for us to produce. If you have a play suggestion in mind, it must be accompanied with a script. If you submitted something last year, you will need to resubmit for reconsideration.

Please send your script to the attention of

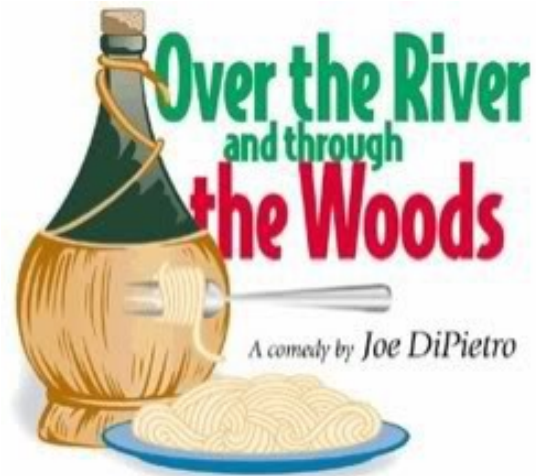
Marcel Paul, 488 Munsell Road, East Patchogue, NY 11772.

**Scripts must be submitted no later than February 1, 2019. Submissions will not be accepted after that date.**

**AUDITIONS FOR SPRING PRODUCTION**

January auditions for ***Over the River and Thru the Woods*** by Joe DiPietro, will be announced before the end of the year.

We will send an E-mail blast out to our membership once specific dates have been confirmed. Check our web-site and Facebook page in December.



**In Memoriam:**

It was with sadness that we received the news of the untimely passing of long-time Playcrafters member Bob Maletta.

Bob had directed and performed in dozens of productions during the 80's and 90's and in 2017, he joined our South Country Radio presentation *Stranger In The House* (The Whistler).

Some of Bob's favorites were *Grease*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Don't Drink the Water* and *Prisoner of Second Avenue*. In May, 2018 Bob directed *First Things First* at the Clare Rose Playhouse, pictured below with his cast.



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**MEMBERS—WE THANK YOU!**

Thank you to our donors and membership for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you during our fall presentation, *The Rainmaker*, and always welcome your involvement in future productions. Please contact us if you would like to help out in our box office, concession or construction for upcoming events.

~ ***Playcrafters Board of Directors***