

2 Parties are planned for December

We will have an early Christmas Party on December 5



Community Players will have an early Christmas Get-Together on Wednesday, December 5 at about 7:30 PM at 5109 Nutters Cross Rd.

We will have our regular monthly meeting at 7 PM and then adjourn the meeting and begin the party. Community Players will provide holiday snacks and sodas for everyone. If you have a favorite snack or appetizer, please bring it. Alcoholic beverages are permitted after the monthly meeting adjourns (BYOB).

If you would like more information, would like to volunteer to help, or are planning to bring a snack or appetizer please contact Rusty Mumford at 410-430-04230 or popirusty@comcast.net. Community Players is planning to have a New Year's Eve Party. The party will begin at 8 PM at 5109 Nutters Cross Road. Please bring an appetizer, hor d'oeuvre, or snack to share. Players will provide chips, pretzels, sodas, champagne for a midnight toast, and breakfast. This is a BYOB party (except for the champagne toast).

An open mike is planned for entertainment. So, brush up your favorite song (bring a CD), get your (comedy) monologue ready, or learn your lines for that favorite scene!

Please contact Rusty Mumford if you plan to attend or for more information, at 410-430-04230 or popirusty@comcast.net.

Sherri Trader Hynes, the recipient of Community Players' 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award

What an honor to be awarded the Community Players Lifetime Achievement Award, and what a surprise. It meant so much to have Ken Johnson making the presentation - we go WAY back... It's hard to believe that I have been involved

with this group of amazing people for over **50 years** – and yes as a matter of fact, I did start when I was just a child!! Both my parents (Leon and Anna Lee) were very active in Players and I had no choice but to join in the fun. And in the process have made so many LIFE LONG FRIENDS. There is something very special about "theatre people" – we are a family. A large, dysfunctional family. We fight like cats and dogs but in the end, we love each other, we applaud our successes, and comfort each other in our losses.

Thank you again for the award, for the relationships, the knowledge, the experiences, and most importantly, the love of my "family".



Director Darrell Mullins announces his cast for his upcoming production of "The Dining Room". This cast of very talented actors will perform up to 60 characters ranging in age from 5 to 75. You won't want to miss this great show.

> Devin Bradley Kim Cuesta Pete Evans Robin Finley Matt Hatfield Mike Murphy Ben Rodman Shelbie Thompson

The Dining Room

Performances will be at WorWic Community College

Friday, February 1 at 8 PM Saturday, Feb. 2 at 2 & 8 PM Friday, February 8 at 8 PM Saturday, February 9 at 2 PM

You can order your tickets by calling 410-546-0099 or by going to our website www.SBYplayers.com.

Consider a donation to Community Players through a Qualified Charitable Donation

Congress has created a rule that allows traditional IRA owners, who are at least 70 ½ years old to exempt their required minimum distributions from taxation. The amount that can be taken as a Qualified Charitable Donation (QCD) is capped at \$100,000 per year.

One of the biggest advantages that the QCD rule provides is the ability for taxpayers to lower their adjusted gross incomes (AGI). Having a lower adjusted gross income can allow the donor to stay in a lower tax bracket, reduce or eliminate the taxation of Social Security or other income and remain eligible for deductions that might be lost.

Another key advantage is that the donor does not have to itemize deductions in order to qualify for this deduction since the exclusion applies to adjusted gross income and not taxable income. This ultimately lowers the real cost of the donation for the donor, because having a lower AGI is more effective in some ways than merely having a lower taxable income.

The key rule to remember when it comes to QCDs is that the distributions must be made directly to the charity and not to the owner or beneficiary. The owner or beneficiary can receive this check and deliver it to the charity, but he or she cannot deposit the check and then make out another one to the charity. Community Players of Salisbury is a qualified 501(c)3 organization.

IRA owners who wish to lower their adjusted gross incomes can use this qualified charitable distribution strategy to efficiently disperse money to a charity of their choice.

Please consider making a donation to Community Players.

For more information contact Tom at 410-422-0635.



Production Committee is looking for Directors for the 2019-20 season

Are you interested in directing a play? Have you chosen a play that you would like to direct for Players? What are you waiting for?!?!

The deadline to submit a play for consideration for next season is January 31.

If you have that show in mind, contact Production Committee Chairperson Darrell Mullins, dmullins@Salisbury.edu, to get started. He can give you all of the information you will need to get your show submitted to the committee. If you need help, I am sure that he or one of the committee members will be glad to offer some assistance.



Final update on South Pacific

By Matt Bogdan, Director

South Pacific received standing ovations for each performance, and these ovations were well deserved for the cast and crew. Matt Bogdan, director and producer, thanks all who were involved in the show on stage and behind the scenes.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from Community Players!

The Production Committee is looking for members! It's show time, again!

Darrell Mullins, Community Players Vice-President, is in charge of the Production Committee and he is looking for people to serve on the committee.

This committee is to receive titles of shows from potential directors and to read the scripts of the proposed shows.

Then the committee will meet to discuss the merits of producing each show. The committee will then recommend shows for the 2019-20 season to the Board of Directors at the March 2019 Board meeting.

If you are interested in serving on the committee or would like more information before volunteering please contact Darrell at dmullins@salisbury.edu.

You do not have to be a theater expert to serve – just be willing to read the scripts and discuss the merits of the shows that are submitted.

Potential directors and their immediate family will not be able to serve on the committee.

Join or Renew your membership

Become a member of Community Players

Please consider becoming a member of Community Players. If you are not sure if your dues are paid for the current year (September 1, 2018-August 31, 2019) please check the mailing label on this newsletter. If it shows 2017-18 or NO, your dues are not up to date.

On the next page is a membership form. Please consider becoming a member.

Community Players of Salisbury



Remit Form and Payment to: Community Players P.O. Box 2431 Salisbury, MD 21802

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership Tier: Select One (Valid September 1, 2018 - August 31, 2019)

Mezzanine	<u>Orchestra</u>	Center Stage		
\$10 Individual	\$25 Individual \$35 Family*	\$50 Individual \$60 Family*		
Membership Card	Membership Card	Membership Card		
Newsletter	Newsletter	Newsletter		
Email Blast	Email Blast	Email Blast		
	Gift	Gift		
	Players Night – Fall Musical Only**	Players Night – All Shows**		
		Free Admission to workshops/classes		
		10% off Players Merchandise		

*Family memberships are good for 2 adults and all children under the age of 18 living in the same home. All family members, including children, must be registered and will receive a membership card

**Members must present membership card at Players Night to be admitted

Membership Information: Fill out (Address where Membership Card will be sent)

First Name:		Last Name:		
Home Address:				
City:	State:		Zip Code:	
Phone:		E-mail Address:		

Interests (Circle All That Apply):

Lighting	Props	Advertising/Publicity	Stage Crew	Box Office
Make-Up	Set Construc- tion	Painting	Costumes	Marketing
Directing	Membership	Sound	Ushering	Maintenance
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	Make-Up	Make-Up Set Construc- tion	Make-Up Set Construc- tion Painting	Make-Up Set Construc- tion Painting Costumes

I am paying for 2 Years (September 1, 2018 - August 31, 2020)

Questions? Email us at: membership@cposmd.com

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Next Monthly Membership Meeting

Wednesday, December 5, at 7:00 PM

At Community Players, 5109 Nutters Cross Road, Salisbury 21804

<u>Community Players Officers & Board of Directors</u> July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019

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