

Back Stage

December 2021

COMMUNITY
PLAYERS

of Salisbury



From the desk of the President...

Dearest fellow theater lovers,

Wow! What an incredible fall we have had. **Noises Off** was amazing. From the set design to the actors' timing, to costumes, to lights and sound effects, to our audience's reactions, it felt so good to be back in the theater laughing and being entertained. Our multiple performances of **The Darker Side of Poe** at venues throughout the Eastern Shore were loved by all who attended. And it was an honor to present **All Together Now**. It was so fun knowing that theater groups and singers across the world were presenting the same show the same weekend as us.

Don't let the approaching cold weather and holidays make you think that we are now going to slow down or slack off. LOL. **Putnam County Spelling Bee** is currently in rehearsal. And auditions for **Senior Follies** will be announced soon. These next two shows will be held at Wor-Wic's Guerrieri Hall. Depending on COVID metrics, our seating may need to be socially distanced and therefore tickets may be limited. I recommend you get tickets for both these shows ASAP.

Thanks to all who participate in any way to make our 85th season a success!

Melissa Dasher
President



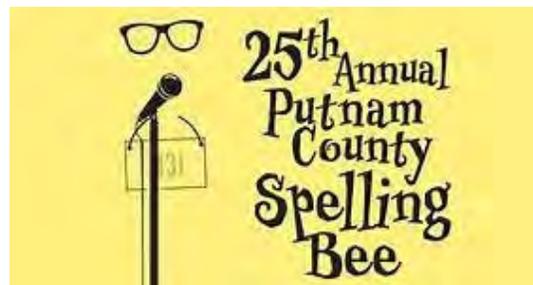
Articles, photos, etc. for publication in Back Stage should be emailed to me (popirusty@comcast.net) by the 15th of each month. Also, if you have ideas for the improvement of our newsletter, please let me know!

Rusty Mumford
Corresponding Secretary



NEXT MEETING

Due to conflicts with Noises Off, our November meeting has been canceled. Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 7:00 PM** at Players. Join us as we hear the news of our many recent activities!



The show dates and venue for 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee have been announced. The second show of our 85th season will be performed in Guerrieri Hall on the Wor-Wic Community College campus on the following dates:

January 28 at 7:30
January 29 at 2pm and 7:30
February 4 at 7:30
February 5 at 2pm

**PLAYERS RECEIVES GRANT
from
COASTAL ASSOCIATION
of
REALTORS**



Rusty Mumford, CPOS
Bernie Flax, Coastal Life Realty, CAR
Gary Finley, CPOS

Grant Committee Chair Gary Finley and Corresponding Secretary Rusty Mumford attended the Coastal Association of Realtors Grant Award Program on Tuesday, November 16, 2021. Players was one of several organizations which received a grant from CAR. CAR Subcommittee Chair Bernie Flax of Coastal Life Realty Group presented Players with a \$1000 grant as part of this round of CAR grants. Other CAR members who attended the presentation were Steve Parsons of Coldwell Banker Realty in Salisbury and Cam Bunting of Bunting Realty.

Gary thanked the Coastal Association of Realtors with the following remarks:

"On behalf of Community Players of Salisbury, I thank you for awarding us this generous grant. Players has been a presence on the Eastern Shore since its creation in 1937. We are celebrating our 85th season this year and are happy to be able to, once again, provide the community with live theatrical productions. Our organization is run by a group of dedicated volunteers with a passion for the theatre. This grant will help us to do what we love most—entertain the Shore."

Special thanks to Players' member Matt Bogdan for bringing this grant opportunity to our attention!



Representatives of Coastal Association of Realtors and those groups which received CAR grants at the presentation on November 16, 2021

GIVING TUESDAY



Community Players of Salisbury is proud to be a part of the **Shore Gives More Annual Giving Tuesday Campaign!** What is Giving Tuesday? Giving Tuesday is an online giving event that brings charities, families, businesses, and people from around the shore together for the common purpose of celebrating generosity and inspiring the community. Join Community Players to celebrate a day of Giving on November 30th! Visit ShoreGivesMore.org and search for Community Players of Salisbury to donate for a specific item on our wish list or to make a donation toward the rest of the productions for this season. No donation is too big or small and with our matching funds, your donation dollars go farther. Remember, November 30th is the date!

Giving Tuesday wouldn't be possible without the generosity of sponsors who invest in our local community. Thank you to the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore, 47 ABC Shore United Bank.



If you miss the November 30th deadline for Giving Tuesday, remember you can donate through Community Players' Facebook page or by sending your tax-deductible donation by mail. We appreciate all you do for us throughout the year.



Darrell Mullins, the director of **All Together Now** would like to thank everyone for their support of the production. We are pleased to report that nearly 400 people saw the show and contributed more than \$3,000. The show was very well received by everyone who attended and people are still talking about it. This show was a special opportunity for Players to be part of a global community, all performing the same show during the same weekend. A special thanks goes to Music Theatre International for making this possible and for believing in local theatre groups.

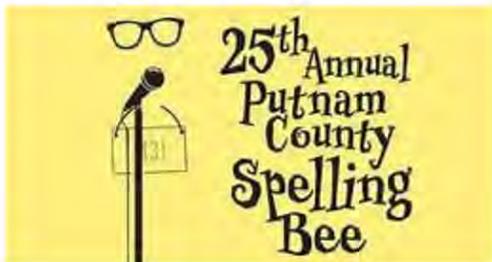
Players was able to get some membership renewals and at least one new membership. In addition, we welcomed several new talented performers to our circle of talent.

Congratulations to all who were involved in the success of **All Together Now!**

Community Players of Salisbury, Inc.

Ticket Order Form

Due to possible COVID restrictions and venue issues, Community Players will be unable to offer Season Tickets for our 85th season. We will, however, be selling tickets for each show individually. Tickets may be purchased through our website--www.sbyplayers.com, or by completing and returning this order form with your check.



Adults	___	at \$25 each
Senior (55+)	___	at \$20 each
Student	___	at \$20 each
Child (<12)	___	at \$15 each
Family	___	at \$65 each
TOTAL AMT.	_____	

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Please choose the performance you plan to attend.

___ January 28 at 7:30 PM

___ January 29 at 2:00 PM

___ January 29 at 7:30 PM

___ February 4 at 7:30 PM

___ February 5 at 2:00 PM

Please choose the performance you plan to attend.

___ April 1 at 7:30 PM

___ April 2 at 2:00 PM

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___ April 8 at 7:30 PM

___ April 9 at 2:00 PM

Please fill in the requested information below and return this form with your check to Community Players of Salisbury, PO Box 2431, Salisbury, MD 21802. Make all checks payable to **Community Players**.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Your check will serve as your receipt. Tickets will be held at the Will Call table.



Membership Application

(Valid September 1, 2021 – August 31, 2022)

Check one:

PATRON

- LEGACY CLUB:** For a contribution of \$2,000 or greater, you will receive eight season tickets
- ANGEL:** For a contribution of \$1,500 to \$1,999, you will receive six season tickets
- BENEFACTOR:** For a contribution of \$1,000 to \$1499, you will receive five season tickets
- GUARDIAN:** For a contribution of \$750 to \$999, you will receive four season tickets
- SPONSOR:** For a contribution of \$500 to \$749, you will receive three season tickets
- DONOR:** For a contribution of \$250 to \$499, you will receive two season tickets
- FRIEND:** For a contribution of \$ 125 to \$249, you will receive one season ticket

MEMBER

- \$50.00 Family**
One household - up to 2 adults and all children who are under the age of eighteen (18), twenty-two (22) if a fulltime student or on active duty in the military
- \$25.00 Individual**
An individual who is eighteen (18) years old or older
- \$ 10.00 Student**
An individual who is under the age of twenty-two (22) and is a fulltime student

Adult #1 First Name:		Last Name:	
Phone:		E-mail Address:	
Mailing Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Patron or Family Membership ONLY Adult #2 First Name:		Last Name:	
Phone:		E-mail Address:	
Children: First Name(s):		Last Name(s):	Age(s)

Remit Form and Payment to:

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Questions? E-mail us at: membership@cposmd.com

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the current year,
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newsletter.
If it does not show
2021-22, your dues
are not up-to-date.*

Next Monthly Membership Meeting
Wednesday, January 5 at 7:00 PM.
5109 Nutters Cross Road



Community Players Officers & Board of Directors
July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

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