



CALLBOARD

November 2005

Happy Thanksgiving Season,

We're ready to break-a-leg with our first production of the 73rd Milton Players season. Cabaret opens to a fully sold-out audience on Friday November 11th with a 6-show run. Hurry and get your tickets so you won't miss out on this extravaganza of music and dance. Help is always welcome on show nights, so please call Michael Bradley 781- 834-3403 or Christine Mallet 617-699-2025 to volunteer.

Also opening in November is our First Annual Milton Players Craft & Gift Show on November 12th at Cunningham Hall. We have 30 vendors coming to sell their wares and will offer our usual tasty lunches coordinated by Dawn Labrie. Please come and help out wherever you can. Admissions, auction table, kitchen are all areas in need of volunteers. Call Dawn at 617-918-3136 to sign up. We will also be holding a Silent Charity Auction for which we will sell raffle tickets and auction off donations from all of our vendors. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society in memory of Jillian Beach, beloved niece of our long-standing member Shirley Eaton. We'll have lots of great things to auction off so don't miss it.

Our second show of the season will be 'A View from the Bridge' by Arthur Miller, directed by Frank Moffett. Auditions will begin on December 4th at Cunningham Hall and continue on December 6th at the Milton Yacht Club. The audition notice is included with this Callboard. Calling all members, we are looking for an organized member to be Production Manager for this show. Frank has a Stage Manager and an Assistant Director, but we need a Milton Players member as Production Manager. Please call me at 617-653-3258 to sign up for this.

The small conference room on the lower level of the Library will continue to be our General Membership Meeting place. Please join us on Wednesday November 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Milton Public Library. The meeting is a half hour earlier than usual to accommodate the Library's closing time.

SAVE THE DATE: The Milton Players Annual Holiday Meeting/Gathering will be held at the home of Cathy and Bruce Larson who have agreed for a second year in a row to open their home to us. THANK YOU BOTH. The gathering will be on Wednesday evening December 14th at 7 p.m. at 528 Pleasant Street Milton, MA. (617-696-6336). Please bring hors d'oeuvres to share and libations of your choosing.

Our good thoughts go out to Glee Brown who is having surgery later this month. Best of luck and speedy recovery Glee.

Agenda for the Meeting:

1. Welcome – Erica Prussmann
2. Recording Secretary – Dawn Labrie
 - Reading of minutes of the last membership meeting
3. Treasurer Pat Brawley
 - Reading of Treasurer's Report
 - Membership Dues Report
 - Budget
 - Future plans for modernizing our books
4. Corresponding Secretary – Cathy Larson

- Mail
 - Any condolences, illnesses
 - Members/Friends who are appearing with other groups
 - Progress on Season 73 Membership Booklet
5. Vice President – Michael Bradley
- Hospitality
 - House Management
 - Rehearsal Space - View from the Bridge
6. Business Manager – Christine Mallett
- Tickets Sales
 - Season Subscribers Update
 - Ticket Stage
 - Ads
 - Box office report
7. Technical Coordinator – Ron Crowell/Joe Lutz/Laura Dunkum need key for set up
- 8. Publicity – Brian Delaney
- Cabaret Publicity
 - Craft Show Publicity
 - View from the Bridge Audition Notices
9. Play Reading – Laura Dunkum
- Committee Progress Update
 - Season Recommendations
10. Member at Large – Rosemary Hamilton
- Comments, compliments, complaints?
11. OLD BUSINESS
- Craft Fair Status – Dawn Labrie
 - Woman’s Club – Erica Prussmann
12. NEW BUSINESS
- Open for discussion

REFRESHMENTS AND MINGLING

Important dates to remember~

General Membership Meeting	Wednesday November 16 th @ 7 p.m.	Milton Public Library, Lower Level Mtg Room 476 Canton Ave. Milton, MA
Cabaret Performance Dates	November 11, 12, 13 th * 17, 18 & 19 th 8 p.m. curtain except Matinee* 3 p.m. curtain	Milton Woman’s Club 90 Reedsdale Rd. Milton, MA 02187
Craft and Gift Show	November 12 th	Cunningham Hall 75 Edge Hill Road Milton, MA 02187

I look forward to seeing you at any and all of these events!

On behalf of the Milton Players Board of Directors, I want to wish you and your loved ones a very happy, healthy and safe Thanksgiving.

Erica

A View From the Bridge by Arthur Miller

Presented by The Milton Players

Directed by Frank Moffett

Audition Dates:

Sunday December 4th @ 6:30 p.m. Cunningham Park Hall 75 Edge Hill Road, Milton, MA

Tuesday December 6th @ 6:30 p.m. Milton Yacht Club 25 Wharf St., Milton, MA

Performance Dates: February 17th, 18th, 24th and 25th, 2006 Milton Woman's Club 90 Reedsdale Road, Milton, MA

Auditions will consist of readings from scenes of the play.

A View From the Bridge is a 1950's drama of an American tragedy set in New York City. This is the story of Eddie Carbone, an admirable immigrant longshoreman, his wife, and the niece he cares for. Conflict ensues when he takes in two of his wife's cousins -- both illegal alien waterfront workers -- Marco and Rodolpho.

Suspicion and rivalry sparks jealousy when a romance blossoms between the niece and one of the cousins of whom Eddie does not approve. A neighborhood lawyer, Alfieri acts as the play's narrator. Questions of loyalties and hidden motivations lead to a climactic conclusion.

Character List

Eddie Carbone - A Longshoreman. Eddie lives with his wife, Beatrice and orphaned niece, Catherine, in Red Hook Brooklyn. Eddie is an inarticulate character and is powerless in the face of his tragic fate. He harbors a secret lust for his niece Catherine which causes his eventual destruction.

Catherine - The niece of Eddie Carbone and Beatrice. Catherine is a beautiful, smart, young Italian girl who is very popular among the boys in the community. Catherine seeks approval from her uncle and struggles when Eddie does not approve of Rodolpho, the man she intends to marry.

Beatrice - The wife of Eddie Carbone and aunt of Catherine. Beatrice has raised Catherine from the time she was very young and acts as Catherine's mother. Beatrice is a warm and caring woman, more reasonable than Eddie. Like Catherine, Beatrice is not a very well-developed character in the play.

Marco - The cousin of Beatrice. Marco comes to the U.S. to work and make money to send back to his wife and children in Italy. Marco is a hard working Italian man who is a powerful, sympathetic leader.

Rodolpho - Beatrice's young, blonde cousin from Italy. Rodolpho prefers singing jazz to working on the ships. To Eddie and the other Longshoremen, Rodolpho seems effeminate because he also cooks, sews and loves to dance. Rodolpho desires to be an American and have all the privileges of Western society including wealth and fame.

Alfieri - An Italian-American lawyer. Alfieri is the narrator of the story. He speaks directly to the audience and attempts to make clear the greater social and moral implications of the story.

Mike - A Longshoreman and friend of Eddie's. Mike is often seen with Louis outside the Carbone home.

Louis - A Longshoreman and friend of Eddie's. Louis hangs out with Mike outside Eddie's home.

Tony - A friend of the Carbone's. He assists Marco and Rodolpho off the ship and brings them safely to Beatrice's home.

First Immigration Officer - One of two officers from the Immigration Bureau who comes to look for Marco and Rodolpho at Eddie's request.

Second Immigration Officer - One of two officers from the Immigration Bureau who comes to look for Marco and Rodolpho at Eddie's request.

Mr. Lipari - A butcher who lives upstairs from the Carbone's. Eddie blames Mr. Lipari for the arrest of Marco and Rodolpho.

Mrs. Lipari - The upstairs neighbor of the Carbone's. Mrs. Lipari agrees to give Marco and Rodolpho a room in her home when Eddie kicks the men out of his house.

Two "Submarines" - Two illegal immigrants hiding upstairs from the Carbone's in the Lipari house.

For questions, call our Show Phone at 617-698-SHOW (7469)