



**Announcing Open Auditions**  
for our April/May production of Neil Simon's

# RUMORS

**Directed by Kirk Starczewski**

**Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> - 6:30-8:30 p.m. and Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> - 6:30-8 p.m.**  
At The Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Spa State Park

Wrapping up our 2011-12 season is *RUMORS*, by Neil Simon. America's foremost comic playwright, Simon delights audiences with this boisterously entertaining play. The Deputy Mayor of New York City is hosting a party in his elegant home when he is shot in the earlobe and his wife goes missing. Everyone tries to conceal the embarrassing events of the evening from the police and the media. *RUMORS* is truly a contemporary comedy of wit and political mischief.

For auditions, actors will be asked to read from the script. This is a high-energy farce. Comic and physical timing are crucial. We are looking for actors who like to experiment with choices, collaborate with others and work as an ensemble.

## Character Breakdown: (ages listed are character ages)

**Ken Gorman:** mid-30s-40, a well-spoken, handsome attorney. A bit high strung, he's a valiant soul who will go to absurd lengths to protect his friends.

**Chris Gorman:** 30s, Ken's elegant and attractive wife. Also a bit high strung and earnest, she wants to do her best in helping her husband.

**Lenny Ganz:** mid-30s-early 40s, An accountant with a wry sense of humor, irascible, sarcastic, very likeable, but not one to take risks.

**Claire Ganz:** 30-40, Lenny's gossip-mongering, attractive wife. A Westchester, N.Y. housewife type who loves intrigue and learning the latest dirt.

**Ernie Cusack:** 40-mid-50s, a smug psychiatrist who cannot turn off his therapist button.

**Cookie Cusack:** 40s, Ernie's wife and a cooking show host with a bad back. She is the "kook" in the group, with a very dramatic, physical personality.

**Glenn Cooper:** mid-30s-50, An ambitious, polished man preparing for a run for the state senate. He's willing to keep up the image of a happy marriage.

**Cassie Cooper:** mid-20s-mid-30s, Glenn's trophy wife. Insecure, embittered, sexy and shrewish, she is jealous and brittle, unable or willing to keep up a happy image.

**Officer Welch:** mid-30s-early 50s, Can be male or female. Vigorous, straight- talking, veteran police officer with good instincts, so close to promotion and won't let this case get in the way.

**Officer Pudney:** 20s-early 30s, Female, a rookie cop who is efficient and intent on doing a good job.

## **F.Y.I.**

**Auditions will be from the script. No appointment necessary.  
Please bring a current photo to auditions, photos will not be returned.**

**PRODUCTION DATES:** Weekends, April 20 - May 6

**REHEARSALS:** Will begin early March

**For further information please call Home Made Theater at (518) 587-4427**