

## BLAST FROM THE PAST From Jerry Gietka, Director of Senior Follies

"Senior Follies", previously scheduled for the 2021 season is being brought back for 2022 after COVID caused its initial cancellation. Performances are scheduled for the first 2 weekends in April at Wor Wic. While trying to keep commitments to cast members previously cast, we will still be looking to fill at least 3 openings in our cast: two female roles (Iris & Mildred) and one male role (Lowell). Auditions are scheduled for Sunday, January 23rd and for Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, both at 6 pm at Nutters. They will consist of primarily improv, thus allowing actors to show off their EVEL skills.

A bit about the show: The show is a madcap romp with heaps of humor and a hint of heart. Who says being old can't be fun? This is a light comedy by Billy St. John centered around a group of seniors at the Pleasant Valley Retirement Home. This play should appeal to most audiences, although some of the plot lines and situations are more of an adult nature, if you know what I mean? The story involves the lecherous Howard—an especially active member of the community who has discovered the wonders of a little blue pill? Mildred (the feisty divorcee) and her friend Sarah (an aficionado of Jackie Chan movies) are constantly scurrying out of Howard's reach and refuse to play in the hot tub with him. Other current residents of the home include Bernice (a less than energetic wife) and Douglas (her slow talking husband, a gardening fanatic). Rivers takes care of the place, and as management is appropriately lost most of the time. And, then there is Iris, a shy, disheveled, well to do spinster who fills out our group. Enter a new couple, introduced as brother and sister, Sybil (attractive) and Lowell (handsome). Oddly enough, Sybil actually seems to enjoy Howard's advances. And Lowell proceeds to charm Iris, until she falls under his spell. So, romance blossoms as humor and mystery combine to make this a show that will have you cheering at the climax (the end of the show that is)!

We hope for a diverse cast whose primary objective is to have fun. Please, come out and play with us? Contact info: [jerrygietka@hotmail.com](mailto:jerrygietka@hotmail.com) with any questions or to volunteer.