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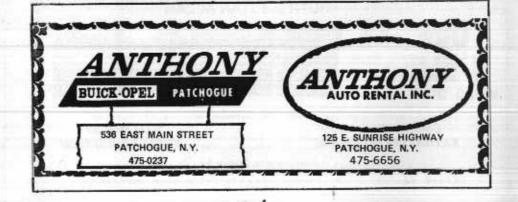
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Choosing the plays to be offered each year is a difficult task. Careful thought must be given, to bring the best of the most recent Broadway hits to our Gateway stage. Often royalty rights are arbitrarily withheld, to protect a sagging and tired Broadway production nearing the end of its New York City run. Although Gateway is the premier Summer Theatre on Long Island permitted to produce first run hit Musicals and Comedies, the excessive costs for royalty rights and rental fees, make commercial success very difficult. Fortunately our loyal theatre goers, aware of the educational and community value of a professional summer theatre, have supported our efforts as season ticket holders or regular patrons.

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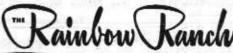


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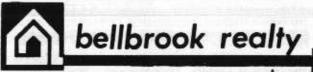
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