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LITTLE THEATRE'S SUMMER FIREBARN SEASON CONTINUES WITH *SURVIVING GRACE*

The acclaimed drama-comedy by Trish Vradenburg, *Surviving Grace*, is Little Theatre's second summer production, and it runs weekends from July 18 to July 28. Thursday performances are at 7:30; Friday and Saturday are at 8; and Sunday at 7. All shows are at the Firebarn, at the corner of Prospect Street and Highland Avenue.

Grace chronicles a woman's battle with Alzheimer's, and the complicated and often humorous relationship she has with her family. As Grace "fades", husband Jack starts to lose his grip, and daughter Kate convinces him to go to Miami. He returns with a new love, and they announce "grand" wedding plans. Meanwhile, Grace is taking an experimental drug and experiences a "miraculous" recovery.

Director Ron Robinson saw the play in New York 10 years ago, and thought it would make a great Firebarn production. "I hope that audiences will empathize with Kate, and the many relationships she has to manage. Those of us working on the show have come to realize that we know people and situations much like those in the play, and it can be very difficult. But there are very funny moments as well, and they help to get us through."

Supporting Ron on his creative team are Bev Robinson as Assistant Director/Stage Manager and Judy Perreault on props. The cast includes Katie van der Sleen as Kate Griswald and Ellen Barnes as Grace. Also featured are Cheryl Field, Ann Flynn, Paul Kandarian, Ken Raposa, and Jim Simonetti.

Tickets are \$16.00, with discounts available for students and seniors. To order, call the Box Office at (508) 675-1852 or on the web: tickets@littletheatre.net. Please check our web site for upcoming productions: www.littletheatre.net. The show contains adult language.

As part of Little Theatre's outreach to the community, the Diocesan Health Facilities Office will have Alzheimer's information available in the lobby.