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Hello, Friends of The Suffield Players!

The Suffield Players want to give you a brief update regarding our theatre group's status in light of the COVID-19 situation, and to assure you that we're doing everything possible to protect our patrons and theatre company during this swirl of viral health challenges and constantly changing information.

Considering the state, federal and CDC recommendations, Mapleton Hall is now closed, with all theatre activities and productions postponed until further notice. This includes the Free Staged Reading of *It's A Grand Night for Murder* by Joe Starzyk, planned for April 9 at Kent Memorial Library and our May production of *The Dining Room* by A. R. Gurney.

Good News: both of these plays will be produced in the future by The Suffield Players! They are only postponed until healthier times. We will publicize new dates when they can be confirmed for both shows!

The Suffield Board of Directors is committed to doing what's best for our actors, volunteers, audiences and patrons. Though we need to take a brief hiatus from producing plays at this time, we have every confidence that you will be there to celebrate with us when we reopen!

The Players are continuing with our fundraising effort "Brushing Up Mapleton Hall." This project is still planned for the summer, but we now need your help more than ever. Without the income from our Spring show, it will be harder to reach our goal of funding the \$15,000 needed to repaint our historic theatre home. Please consider donating for this cause.

Also, the Box Office Manager will be individually contacting those with paid subscription tickets by the end of March with subscription options. -

Please check our Website and Facebook page for additional updates on the Suffield Players productions and activities.

Direct specific questions to: thesuffieldplayers@gmail.com

Looking forward to brighter days ahead! The show must (and will) go on!

Yours most sincerely,

The Suffield Players Board of Directors