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PORT CITY PLAYHOUSE - - “An American Daughter”

Port City Playhouse in Alexandria opened its 31st season with a very appropriate play during these political times, called, **“An American Daughter,”** by Wendy Wasserstein. The play is set in present day in the Georgetown home of Dr. Lyssa Dent-Hughes, played by the very popular Margaret Bush. She is a scientist waiting for a Cabinet appointment by the President of the United States. For more than one reason, Ms. Bush is made for this lead role. TV reporters Quincy Quince (Therese McNichol) and Timber Tucker (Cal Whitehurst) are individually looking for a story. The doctor’s friend Morrow McCarthy (Richard Isaacs) let it out that the Doctor has inadvertently ignored a jury summons. The Doctor’s father, Senator Alan Hughes (Ron Field), tries to handle the potential scandal and appointment-breaker. The Doctor’s husband, Walter Abrahamson, played believably by Mark Lee Adams, loves his wife. Their relationship is tested when she catches her husband kissing the young reporter, Quincy. A childhood friend of Dr. Lyssa is Judith (don’t call me Judy) Kaufman, M.D. (Anita Jones), who is a loyal friend but is also in a bit of professional turmoil. The Senator’s 4th wife, “Chubby” Hughes (Kimberly A. Gowland), adds warmth to the story. A veteran crew led by director Barra Kahn and producer Donald Neal with his college assistant Amanda Helms, makes this **“An American Daughter”** a first class production. See it before it closes this weekend. Check *Port City’s* web at www.PortCityPlayhouse.com or call 703-838-2880.

