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PORT CITY PLAYHOUSE - -“Power Plays”

“**Power Plays**” are two funny, but thoughtful, one act plays by the *Port City Playhouse* in Alexandria. One was written by Elaine May and the other by Alan Arkin. May’s is a two person play called, “**The Way of All Fish,**” and concerns a formal boss, Ms. Asquith (Jane Petkofsky) and her secretary, Miss Riverton (Rusty O’Connor). The boss, who is awkward in dealing with people including her secretary, agrees to have a last minute dinner with her in the office when other plans fell through. With some wine, both let their hair down and there’s a more equal meeting of minds. The other play by Arkin, also a duo, is called, “**Virtual Reality.**” It’s weird-funny about a character named DeRecha (Guy Palace) and a strange guy, Lefty (Jason Braswell) who are “practicing” unloading crates. Surprise ending. Both plays are well-worth seeing. Veteran area director, C. Evans Kirk, does his usual fine job of making the situations work smoothly. **Port City Playhouse** performs at the Lee Center Stage at 1108 Jefferson St. in Alexandria. “Power Plays” runs through June 25. Call 703-838-2880 for tickets. through June