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Community
Theatre

presents

YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU

by Moss Hart &
George S. Kaufman

February 20 - 22 &
February 27 - March 1, 2009

Decatur Civic Center Theater

Theatre 7's 45th Anniversary Season continues
with one more of our membership's
favorite past productions:



Steel Magnolias

April 24, 25, 26, &

May 1, 2, 3, 2009.

(First produced by Theatre 7 in May
1995; directed by Jim Kleckner.)

OPEN AUDITIONS

for the production of *Steel Magnolias*
will be held on February 24 & 25 at the
Decatur Civic Center Theater.

Auditions will begin at 7:00 p.m. and run until
approximately 9 p.m. Those auditioning will be
asked to read from the script. The script
requires a cast of 6 women of various ages:

- "Truvy" - owner of Truvy's Beauty Shop (40-50)
- "Annelle" - shy new employee in Truvy's shop (20-30)
- "Ouiser" - negative, brash neighborhood divorcee (50-70+)
- "Clairee" - widow of the former town mayor, very elegant lady (50-70+)
- "M'Lynn" - overly-protective mother of Shelby (40-50)
- "Shelby" - young, independent, and loves pink (17-22)

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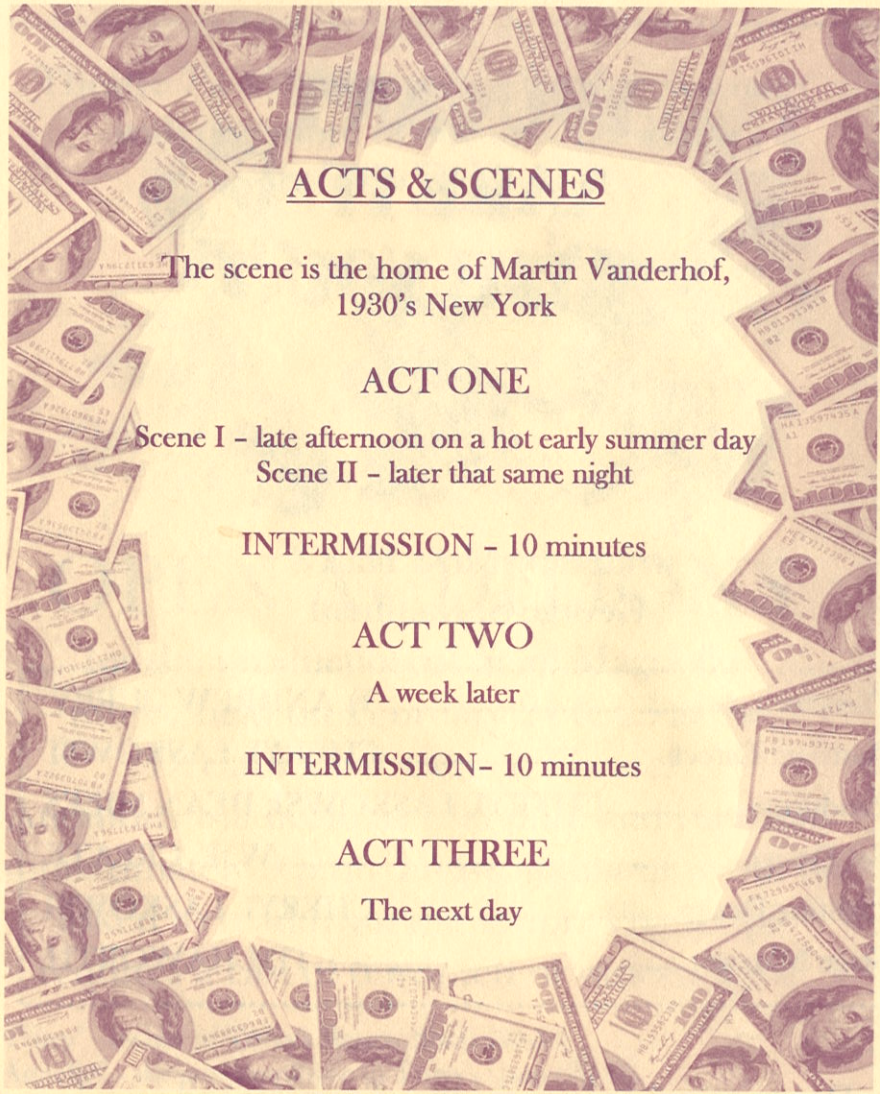
Director.....	E. ANDREW CURRY
Assistant Director.....	CHERYL LASKOWSI
Producers.....	CHERYL LASKOWSI, DEAN MILES
Set Design.....	W. E. CREATE
Lighting Design.....	CHERYL LASKOWSI
Stage Manager.....	TIM HAWORTH

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ACTS & SCENES

The scene is the home of Martin Vanderhof,
1930's New York

ACT ONE

Scene I - late afternoon on a hot early summer day

Scene II - later that same night

INTERMISSION - 10 minutes

ACT TWO

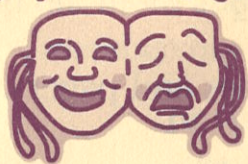
A week later

INTERMISSION - 10 minutes

ACT THREE

The next day

Break a leg!



John Dunn

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

"You Can't Take It With You" was written at the end of the Great Depression. It gave advice for being happy during worrisome financial times. That advice holds true in today's financially troubling atmosphere. I believe this advice is summed up best by Martin "Grandpa" Vanderhof when he says "Life's pretty simple if you just relax;" it is also "kind of beautiful if you let it come to you." So sit back, relax and hopefully some beautiful laughs will come to you.

E. Andrew Curry

CAST

(in order of appearance)

Penelope Sycamore	MARY WILKING
Essie Carmichael.....	LEAH BROWN
Rheba.....	ABBEY FOLEY
Paul Sycamore.....	JOHN POLING
Mr. DePinna.....	DOUG BISHOP
Ed Carmichael.....	MARK BEANBLOSSOM
Donald.....	CRAIG CULP
Martin Vanderhof.....	JOE DAVIES
Alice Sycamore.....	SUSANNAH MOYER
Wilbur C. Henderson.....	CLAY KNIGHT
Tony Kirby.....	ROSS MOYER
Boris Kolenkhov.....	DREUX LEWANDOWSKI
Gay Wellington.....	LESA ANDRICK
Anthony Kirby.....	AL SCHEIDER
Miriam Kirby.....	CYNTHIA HINKLE
G-Man 1 (Chief).....	DEAN MILES
G-Man 2 (Jim).....	MARK MUSCHAL
G-Man 3 (Mac).....	RICH WILKERSON
The Grand Duchess Olga Katrina.....	LAURA WILKERSON

PRODUCTION CREW



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KATHY BROWN, MARY WILKING,
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Set Dressing.....*KATIE MEADOWS*

Set Painting.....*GWEN BAUMANN*
JODY BYERS, JOE WALL

Show Program.....*KATRINA WILKERSON,*
NANCY SULLIVAN

Sound Effects.....*MARK HENEGHAN*

CAST BIOS

LESA ANDRICK - "Gay" - Lesa has been a member of T7 for 18 years and has played many fun-loving characters. She has played Sister Hubert six times in 4 different "Nonsense" shows for T7 and Lincoln Community Theatre. Guess you could say it's habit forming. However, her most import role is as Assistant Principal at Eisenhower High School.

MARK BEANBLOSSOM - "Ed" - Mark is a senior English major at Millikin University and hopes to go into screenwriting. His favorite roles include Bud Frump in "How to Succeed in Business...", Albert Peterson in "Bye Bye Birdie" and Will Parker in "Oklahoma!"

DOUG BISHOP - "Mr. DePinna" - Doug is a T7 veteran and recent grandparent, thus he can't remember how many shows he has been in. It is a pleasure to work with this group of newcomers and fellow veterans. To his lovely wife Susan and family, "Thanks for the support!"

LEAH BROWN - "Essie" - This is Leah's second season with Theatre 7. Her roles include Philia in "Forum," Margaret Daniels in "Death by Chocolate" and a dancer/townsperson in "Music Man." Leah would like to thank her parents for encouraging her to audition for Theatre 7 last year and all of their support now and always. She would like to dedicate this performance to them for putting her through years of dance lessons even though she wasn't very good!

CRAIG CULP - "Donald" - Craig has been a member of T7 since 2001 and is presently a member of the Board of Directors. Other T7 shows include "Music Man," "Annie Get Your Gun" and "Ragtime." He would like to thank his Mother for all of her support. Break a leg cast and crew!

JOE DAVIES - "Grandpa" - Joe came to Theatre 7 one year ago and is now acting in his 4th consecutive play. He won a Theatre 7 Jay Jay award for his performance as Sam the love starved widower in "The Cemetery Club." Joe is most proud of his 4 children and 8 grandchildren. "Playing Grandpa will be a natural step," he quips. Joe is a full time realtor with RE/MAX in Decatur.

ABBIE FOLEY - "Rheba" - This is Abbey's second season with T7. She has been in "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" and "The Music Man." She is very excited to be playing the part of Rheba. Abbey is currently attending college at RCC and plans to transfer to Millikin to continue her major in theater.

CAST BIOS

CYNTHIA HINKLE - "Mrs. Kirby" - Whether painting, building, producing, assistant directing, tap dancing across the stage in "Anything Goes," shaking her feathers as Maud in "The Music Man" or playing an uppity society women in this show, there is one thing Cynthia will tell you... Theatre 7 is filled with fun and talented people of whom she feels very proud to be associated with since 1998. Cynthia is honored to be part of T7's 45th Anniversary and would like to dedicate her performances to her father for his love and support and to all those behind the scenes that never get to take a bow, "Bravo" to you all!

CLAY KNIGHT - "Henderson" - This is Clay's second appearance on stage with Theatre 7. He last appeared in "The Music Man" last fall. Prior to that, Clay had taken almost a decade leave from the stage due to active duty military service.

DREUX LEWANDOWSKI - "Kolenkhov" - Dreux has been behind the scenes since 1998 for the MacArthur acting company doing everything from stage craft to directing. This is his first time on the stage with Theatre 7. Za Vas!

DEAN MILES - "G-Man 1" - Dean has been a member of T7 for six years and jumped in with both feet. Prior to becoming treasurer, he was a dedicated set builder and spent time back stage assisting in the fly loft and anywhere else he was needed. He is once again trying out his other talents as an actor and even has a few lines this time. Past roles include a criminal/policeman in "The Man Who Came to Dinner" and a policeman in "Wait Until Dark." He continues trying to convince everyone he has not been type cast.

ROSS MOYER - "Tony" - Ross is very excited to be involved with his third show with Theatre 7. After a very challenging role as the aerobics instructor in "Death by Chocolate," he decided to up the ante and take on the most challenging role of his career - acting like he loves his wife. Ross would like to give a very special thank you to his family and friends for their support.

SUSANNAH MOYER - "Alice" - This is also Susannah's third show with Theatre 7 - she loves working with such fun-loving people. When not acting she stays busy as a sixth grade Language Arts teacher in Urbana. She and her husband, Ross (see above) have two lovely dogs.

CAST BIOS

MARK MUSCHAL - "G-Man 3"— Mark is in his second show this season. He played Harold Hill in the T7 production of "The Music Man."

JOHN POLING - "Paul Sycamore" - This is John's second T7 show this season. Critics are still abuzz over his interpretation of Townsperson #2 in "The Music Man." Past roles have included Issachar in "Joseph..." and Mordcha in "Fiddler..." When not exercising his thespian chops, John teaches history at Parkland College. He would like to thank Andrew and the cast for making this show such a great experience.

AL SCHEIDER - "Mr. Kirby" - In his 16th year as school counselor at Meridian H.S., Al has been the Drama Club Director for eleven seasons. He just completed his 25th play there last month, and he has been involved in community theater for 33 years. Obviously, Al is old! He enjoys acting as much as directing, with his favorite roles being the Duke in "Man of LaMancha," the Professor in "Bus Stop" and any role in "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat."

LAURA WILKERSON - "Olga" -Laura is a freshman Theatre major at Millikin University. She has previously been on the LSA stage and T7 in such shows as "The Miracle Worker," "Play On!" "Two-Story House," "God's Favorite," and "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum." Laura loves the theatre and hopes to eventually direct. She is very proud of her parents (especially her dad, Rich) for finally getting on the stage with her. Laura wants to thank her friends and family for always being there to support her in all that she does.

RICH WILKERSON - "G-Man 2" - Rich is onstage with Theatre 7 for the second time. He was first recruited to play a "Protean" in "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum." When not acting, you will find Rich behind the scenes building sets for T7 or the LSA High School Drama Team. Rich is a life-long resident of Decatur, and father to fellow cast member, Laura.

MARY WILKING - "Penny Sycamore" - Mary is glad to be back on the stage, especially in a show that carries a message as relevant today as it was 70 years ago. When not trodding the boards, she can be found working at her real job at ADM, in T7's costume shop or continuing the eternal struggle of weeds vs. man in her gardens.

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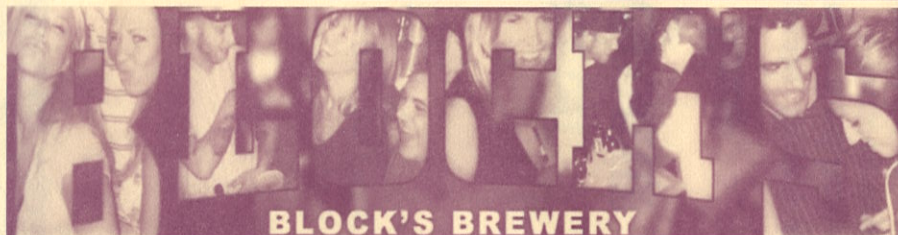
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