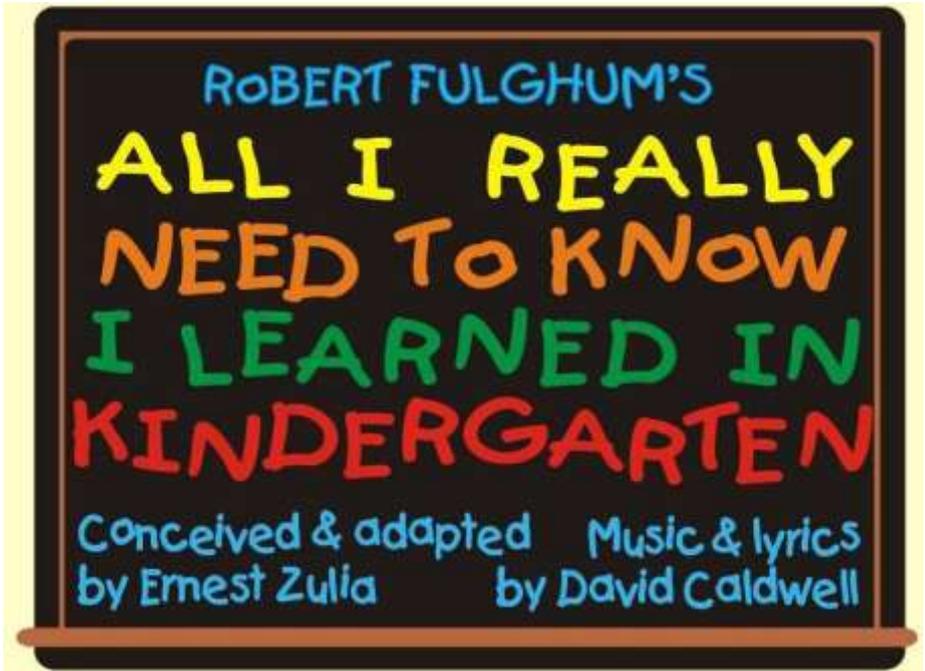


Ankeny Community Theatre  
Presents



September 26, 27  
October 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11  
2003

Ankeny Community Theatre \* 1932 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Ankeny Iowa

## TEACHER'S NOTES

I want to welcome everyone to ACT's first production of the season. It has been a long time in between community theatre shows for me – the last one I directed was in 1987 in Oskaloosa. It is very different for me to work with a cast and crew of adults as opposed to working with casts and crews consisting of 15-18 year old teens.

The show you are going to see is different as well, as it is not based on great thought provoking literature; it is nothing that Hollywood will make into the next summer blockbuster. It is, however, something that will (hopefully) make you think, feel, cry, laugh and shake your head in agreement. Robert Fulghum's philosophy is a simple one, based on simple ideas and simple common sense.

**Think – Look – Flush – Care For Others – Love.**

With that in mind, please settle back and enjoy our production of *All I Really Need To Know I Learned in Kindergarten*.

*Cary Shapiro*



## ACT ONE

Yes! Of Course I Can!

The Kindergarten Song

Cinderella

Hide and Seek

Larry Walters Flies

Solomon Islands

Spider

Donnie the Leaf Raker

The Stuff in the Sink

Problems and Inconveniences

The Bench



## ACT TWO

MOTB

Fathers and Sons

Pigeons

The Briefcase

Howard

Christmas/Valentine's Day

Geek Dancing

A Tomb With a View

Are There Any Questions?



Produced by special arrangement with  
The Dramatic Publishing Company of Woodstock, Illinois

Originally developed at Mill Mountain Theatre  
Roanoke, Va., Jere Hodgins, Producing Artistic Director

CAST

Jeff Bakke

Kathryn Bisbey

Karen Burkett-Sandoval

Jim Leeper

Kent Whitmore

PRODUCTION

Director.....Cary Shapiro

Assistant Director/Producer.....Lynn Arterburn

Pianist.....Gaye Pierson

Set.....Paul Ruby, Pete Panada

Doug Arterburn, Kent Whitmore, Monte Engh

Lights/Sounds.....Jim Bisbey

Doug Arterburn, Kevin Sprague

House Manager.....Doug Arterburn

Assistant House Manager.....Kelly Bakke

Programs.....Lisa Wagner

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President.....Kaylene Ruby

President Elect.....Monica Green

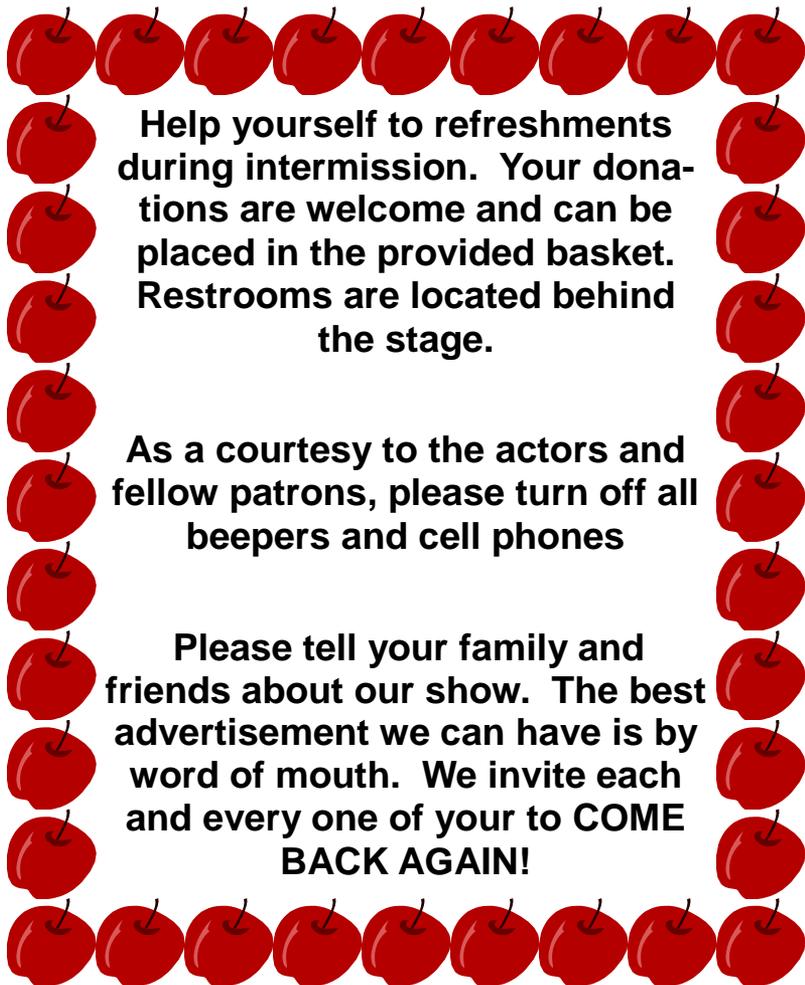
Past President.....Kevin Sprague

Secretary.....Karen Burkett-Sandoval

Treasurer.....Monte Engh

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Susan Furland, Debi Garner, Rebecca Hansen



**Help yourself to refreshments during intermission. Your donations are welcome and can be placed in the provided basket. Restrooms are located behind the stage.**

**As a courtesy to the actors and fellow patrons, please turn off all beepers and cell phones**

**Please tell your family and friends about our show. The best advertisement we can have is by word of mouth. We invite each and every one of your to **COME BACK AGAIN!****

Special Thanks To:

\*Carolyn Zuck for helping out with the music during rehearsal

\*Terrace Elementary for the use of the white board

# The Students



Jeff Bakke – Kindergarten for Jeff dates back to 1978. Whatever happened to naptime, dramatic play with red and white cardboard bricks, and of course, snack time, including graham crackers and milk? Years later, Jeff is back in the fifth grade, teaching at Northwest Elementary in Ankeny. When not teaching, Jeff enjoys spending time with his wife, Kelly, singing, playing guitar and piano, reading, and watching football and Survivor. Jeff has been seen on the ACT stage in shows including *Once Upon a Mattress*, *Bedful of Foreigners*, *Cash on Delivery* and *A Murder is Announced*.

Kathryn Bisbey – What did she learn in kindergarten? Well, she was not the prize student. She would never want to take naps at naptime. Instead, she would tickle kids' feet and talk! Her teacher's name was Mrs. Yanky. Kathryn has been seen numerous times on the ACT stage including such memorable shows as *Once Upon A Mattress*, *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown*, *Steel Magnolias*, and *Lil Abner*. She wants to thank her husband for helping her learn her lines. He is the most patient person she knows and he made sure she said them correctly.



Karen Burkett-Sandoval - Karen's favorite kindergarten memories include: punching John in the stomach and making him cry, Mrs. Jones giving her a "spare pair" and sending the "used" one home in a paper

bag, pulling out the “Chrissy” doll’s hair for show and tell, and being voted the best sharer. (Three of these are true; you decide which one isn’t!) Karen has been involved in over 25 performances which include the theatres of ACT, Stagewest, Unexpected Company, Ankeny Academy of Music, and St. Anne’s Episcopal Church. Most recently she directed *You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown* for the Ankeny Academy of Music. Karen is the Library Director for the Bondurant Community Library.

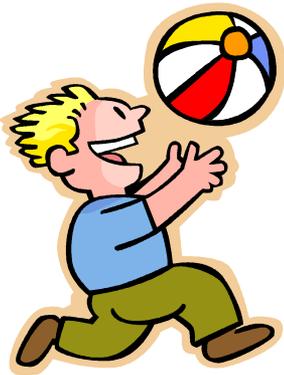


Jim Leeper – Jim has been in 15 plays. His first role was in kindergarten when he played a sparrow in *Peter Rabbit* at Harding Elementary in Clinton, Iowa. Since then he has acted, directed and written plays. As he loves being outdoors, his favorite subject in kindergarten was recess. He also enjoys fencing, volleyball and softball.

Kent Whitmore – Kent hasn’t been active in the theatre for two years. He has spent that time going back to school to finish his college degree in Human Services. This show is his tenth performance. After graduating college, it is ironic that his return to the theatre is playing a student in kindergarten. Kent’s most memorable kindergarten memory is the day when he was dropped off at school and heard the radio announce that President Kennedy had been killed in Dallas, Texas. Kent was in Miss Wheatham’s class at Millard Fillmore Elementary in Cedar Rapids.

## Principal and vice-Principal

**Cary Shapiro (Director)** – Cary is in his 15<sup>th</sup> year at Ankeny High School as Drama Director and Language Arts Instructor. He is a member of Iowa High School Speech Association and is on the Large Group All-State Festival committee. Cary's theatre involvement includes: Oskaloosa Community Theatre, Ottumwa Community Playhouse and William Penn College. He has directed the plays *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* and *Crimes of the Heart*. Not only does Cary teach and direct theatre, he has also been found on the stage. Some of his productions include *The Good Doctor*, *The Music Man*, *Deathtrap*, and *Any Wednesday*. Although you might not realize Cary can dance, he has choreographed the musical *Side by Side by Sondheim*. Cary's wife, Jane, is a special education teacher in Waukee, His son, Justin, is at ISU and son, Aaron, is a 9<sup>th</sup> grader at Northview.



Cary was born and raised in Chicago where the only memory of kindergarten he has is through a story that his parents told him – he came home from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of kindergarten and was disgusted because all they did was play with a ball. He thought that he could just stay home and do that with his brother.

**Lynn Arterburn (Assistant Director/Producer) –**

Lynn has done it all at ACT from being on stage to directing and EVERYTHING else that is required in between. Last year, Lynn directed her church’s musical drama and worked with the church’s youth drama group as well as the adult drama group. Lynn has served on ACT’s board of directors for the past 4 1/2 years. When Lynn is not involved with theatre, she can be found working at Terrace Elementary in Ankeny. Lynn’s most memorable kindergarten memory was when she smashed her fingers not once but twice in the heavy outside school doors that year. (You’d think she would have learned that was not a smart thing to do the first time!) Her teacher, Mrs. Summers, insisted that Lynn was not going to ride the 45 minute bus ride home in pain so she made the principal drive the both of them to Lynn’s house.



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# ***Homework Assignment***



*The Boys Next Door*

November 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, 20,  
21, 22

*Odd Couple*

February 6, 7, 13, 14, 15, 19,  
20, 21

*The Hobbit*

March 19 - April 3

(Exact dates to be announced)

*Funny Money*

April 30, May 1, 7, 8, 9, 13,  
14, 15

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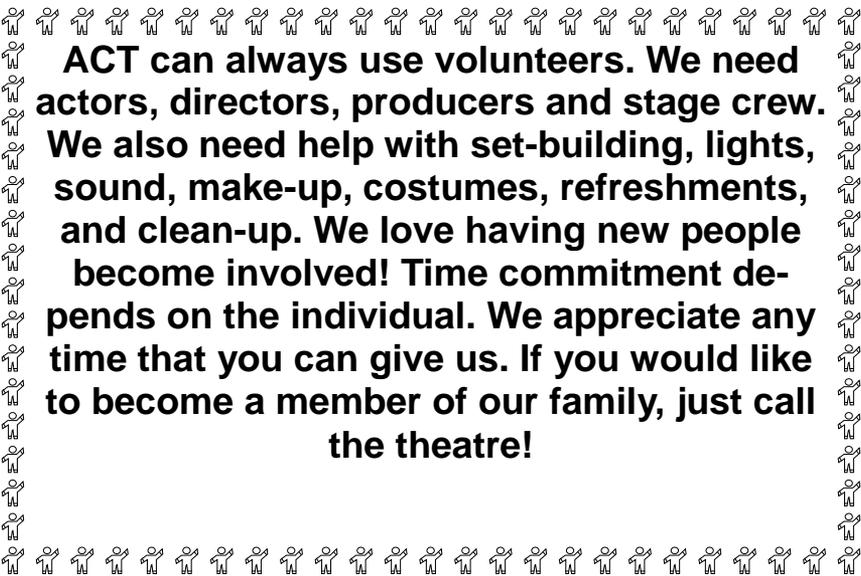
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**ACT can always use volunteers. We need actors, directors, producers and stage crew. We also need help with set-building, lights, sound, make-up, costumes, refreshments, and clean-up. We love having new people become involved! Time commitment depends on the individual. We appreciate any time that you can give us. If you would like to become a member of our family, just call the theatre!**

Are there any questions?

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