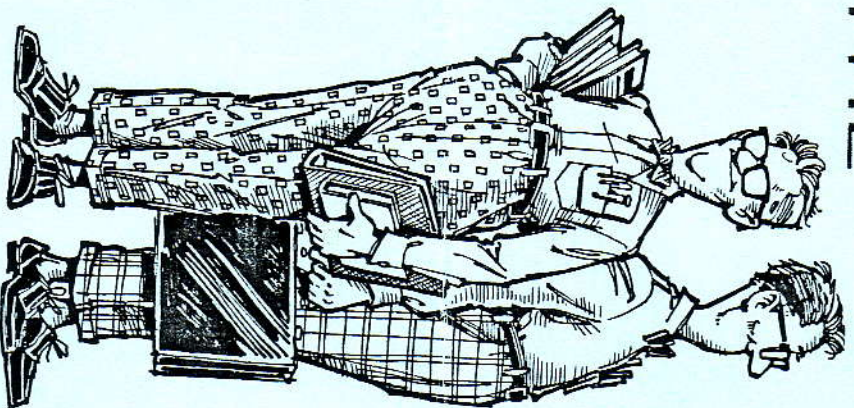


ANKENY COMMUNITY THEATRE  
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A Comedy by  
BY LARRY SHUE

FEBRUARY 12, 13  
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FEBRUARY 19, 20

ANKENY LAKESIDE CENTER

DINNER: 6:30 PM

SHOWTIME 8:00 PM

The Ankeny Community Theatre is a non-profit organization created to promote the development of theatre in the Ankeny Community. We strongly urge you to not only patronize and support community theatre, but also to participate. There are many ways you can become a part of this organization. Audition announcements for all productions are published in The Press Citizen, Ankeny Today and The Datebook. If you would like to act, direct, produce, or be involved with one of our production crews, please contact one of the directors listed below.

## ANKENY COMMUNITY THEATRE BOARD OF DIRECTOR

Darel Hildreth	President
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## DIRECTORS NOTES

You are about to see a hilarious play that is the result of a great deal of group effort. In the Ankeny Community Theater - the emphasis is on the word "community". You are aware of the many hours of rehearsal needed for the actors to present to you this evening's entertainment - but you may not have given thought to all of the other mechanisms which must run smoothly in order to produce a play. We need props people and script holders, painters and carpenters, ticket handlers and house managers, sound people and lighting technicians. The list goes on and on, and we fill all these positions with people from our community. The sense of "extended family" that everyone involved with theater shares is one of the best reasons I can think of to become involved. The only qualifications you need are a willingness to work and a sense of humor! Of course, you are involved in the most important position in theater at this moment - as an audience member. Without you, all of our efforts would be for nothing. We appreciate you and welcome your comments and constructive criticisms. Most especially, we would appreciate it if you would tell someone about the fun you have here tonight and so help us to continue Community Theater in Ankeny!

Scott R. Faulkner

## PRODUCTION STAFF

Director..... Scott Faulkner  
Producer..... Leslie Faulkner  
Set..... Bill Shay, Drville Ballard,  
DeWayne Ehler, Jerry Stubbs,  
Dwight Pearson & Dwight Jacobson  
Props..... Kathy Weatherwax  
Stage Crew..... Katie Faulkner-Ball  
Callie Hohn & April Fauech  
Lights..... Dave Ashby  
Sound..... Jerry Reid & Jimmy Dean  
Program..... Leslie Faulkner, Jo Reid  
& Joyce Lundstrom

Dinner .... Christiani's V.I.P. Catering Service

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## PRODUCERS NOTES

I want to give special thanks to Jerry and Jo Reid, Grace Leverenz, Bill Shay and my husband, Scott for all their help and patience, to this novice producer.

Thank you,

*Leslie Faulkner*

## THE CHARACTERS

**(In order of appearance)**

William Cubbert.....	Dale Hunter
Tansy McInnis.....	Theresa Witry
Axel Hammond.....	Gene Lucht
Warnock Waldgrave.....	Darel Hildreth
Celia Waldgrave.....	Gail Sheridan-Lucht
Princess.....	Melissa Faulkner-Ball
	& Katie Stone
Rick Steadman.....	Steve Stone

## THE PLACE:

**William Cubbert's Apartment  
Terre Haute, Indiana**

**THE FILE:**

ACT I - November 4  
ACT II - Scene 1 - Six days later  
Scene 2 - The following day

**There will be one 15 minute intermission**



DAREL ALLEMAN HILDRETH (Waldgrave)

Just the name brings a chuckle to your lips when you hear he's in another play. This is Darel's fifth show. Darel gets accused of looking like famous people - Johnny Orr, Ed Campbell, Telly Savalas, etc. He said, "As long as they're alive that's okay". Darel is 64 (and holding), is married to Mary, has three children and six grandchildren. He's been trying to retire for 2 1/2 years, but can't seem to get the job done. Producer's note - Darel, who is Ed Campbell?

GAIL SHERIDAN - LUCHT (Celia) In her debut on Ankeny's stage Gail plays a frustrated teacher who loves "cracked" crockery. She said she wishes she could release tension that way in court. Gail is an Attorney for the State of Iowa, Division of Labor. She's 32, and in real life married to the "smart-mouthed" Axel.

KATIE STONE (Princess) Katie is on stage for the third time. She was a Munchkin in "Wizard of Oz" and a Snow child in "Carousel". Katie is 10 (on February 18th), has 1 sister, a Mother, Step Mother, and Dad. She's a fourth grader at N. E. Elementary where she practices her hobby of "playing with my friends". When asked how she got the part she said, "I was typecast just like my Dad".

**THERESA WITRY (Tansy)** This is Teresa's first time on the Ankny Stage. Although she has also played in "Seven Brides For Seven Brothers", her most outstanding performance was in "Our Town" where she played "first dead body"! Theresa is 24, engaged to be married in October and works as a Social Worker. She said all her learned social skills couldn't help her cope with this group!

**DALE HUNTER (William)** Back on stage again. You many remember him from "Catch Me If You Can", "Boeing Boeing", "Forum", the list goes on. Dale told us, "Before paranoia sets in let me set the record straight. The first question everyone asks when I mention the name of the play is 'Are you the Nerd?' The answer is 'NO', I'M the other one"! Dale is 40...er 44 (according to the play), has a wife, Marjeane and a cat, Melvin. Melvin refuses to come and see Dale make a fool of himself.

MELISSA FAULKNER - BALL (Princess) This is Melissa's second appearance with ACT. She also played Annie's kid sister in "Annie Get Your Gun". Missy is 9 1/2, has 2 Moms, 2 Dads, 1 sister and 1 brother. She's in fourth grade at Terrace Elementary and her hobby is, "Messing up my room". Asked what she liked best about the play she replied, "I like being a brat, because I'M always such an angel at home". .NOT!

GENE LUCHT (Axel) Gene is another neophyte to the Ankengy Stage. He's performed with the Carroll Community Theatre. He had the title role in "Dracula", and supporting roles in "Music Man" and "You Can't Take It With You". "Gene said", Some have called this role casting because Axel is a smart-mouthed journalist and I'm a..... well a journalist". Gene is 33, a Field Editor for Iowa Farmer Today and although Waldgrave doesn't know it, is also married to Leah!



STEVE STONE (Rick-the "Nerd") Who doesn't recognize this name. He's been director as well as actor many times for ACT. Two roles that come to mind were as Felix in "The Odd Couple"... (a nerd) and as Hysterium in "Fo-  
rum (another nerd)". Are we noticing a trend here Steve? Steve is actually a Pension Consultant for Bryton Management. He's 45, has a wife, Beverly, 2 daughters and 2 step-daughters. He does admit that he has never had so many people call him "type-cast". Producers note-no one believes that for a second Steve.. (yeah right!)

SCOTT FAULKNER (Director) Scott has appeared on every stage in Des Moines. His credits include everything from Shakespeare to Musical Comedy. This is Scott's second try at directing, having co-directed last year's dinner theatre production with Steve Stone. Last years experience may have some bearing on why Steve was cast as the Nerd! When asked about his casting technique Scott said, "You don't have to be related to me.... but it doesn't hurt".

## CREDITS

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