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Ray Cooney's
Adult British Comedy



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Betty Hagen

For loaning us the blue chair

Dick Wilson

For the MANY, MANY hours of work constructing our wonderful set

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For providing the carpeting

Doug and Lynn Arterburn

For the use of their house for three weeks of rehearsals

Bryanna Davis

For helping the cast learn their lines, serving as the producer's assistant, doing all the jobs no one else wanted to do and putting a smile on our faces during those long rehearsals

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Funny Money

By Ray Cooney

CAST

(in order of appearance)

Jean Perkins	Kathryn Bisbey
Henry Perkins	Bob Fry
Davenport	Brian DePrez
Bill	Gary Hagan
Betty Johnson	Barbara Petersen
Vic Johnson	Kent Whitmore
Slater	Monte Engh
Mr. Big.....	Doug Arterburn

The continuous action of the play takes place one evening in the Fulham, England home of Henry and Jean Perkins.

There will be a 15 minute intermission between acts.

No recording devices or flash photography are allowed during this production. Out of consideration to the actors and your fellow patrons, please turn off all cellular telephones, pagers or other audible electronic devices.

PRODUCTION TEAM

DirectorKevin Sprague
ProducerLynn Arterburn
Lighting/SoundElizabeth Birdsall, Jim Bisbey
Stage CrewLynn Arterburn, Jo Reid
Set ConstructionDick Wilson

Set Work

Doug Arterburn Lynn Arterburn Bryanna Davis
Brian DePrez Monte Engh Gary Hagan Bev Heldt
Barbara Petersen Kevin Sprague Stephanie Sprague
Kent Whitmore

House Managers

Jeff & Kelly Bakke Stephanie Sprague Doug Arterburn

Refreshment Coordinators

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Funny Money is produced by special arrangement with
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MEET THE CAST



Kathryn Bisbey (Jean Perkins) has been with ACT since 1991. She has been involved both on and off-stage and is a former member of the ACT Board of Directors. Her performances have ranged from comedy, murder mysteries and musicals such as “Nunsense,” “Company,” “Little Shop of Horrors.” Her most recent show was “All I Really Need to

Know I Learned in Kindergarten.”

When she is not at the theatre, she’s at church leading the praise band or singing with various groups. She loves to sing, act, walk, rollerblade and motorcycle with her husband, Jim.

“Thanks, Jim, for all your support and for being my biggest fan. I thank the Lord for his guidance. Talent is something that is only on loan from God. Share it.”



Bob Fry (Henry Perkins) is appearing in his fourth ACT show, his most recent appearance being in last fall’s “The Boys Next Door.” His other roles were the murderer in “Towards Zero” and Sam Nash in “Plaza Suite.” He has also appeared on stage at the Ingersoll Dinner Theatre, Des Moines Playhouse, Drama Workshop and ACTORS in Ames. He counts

among his favorite roles the Narrator and Mysterious Man in “Into the Woods,” Charlie Davenport in “Annie Get Your Gun,” Stanley Banks in “Father of the Bride,” and Mr. Antrobus in “Skin of Our Teeth.”

When not acting, Bob enjoys watching his fellow actors sweating on stage, attending movies and travel. He is especially looking forward to his first “European Tour” to Italy in July. Bob works for Dechant-Middendorf Insurance in Clive.

“My love and special thanks go to my real life “Betty” and Mother (same person), who is responsible for my being here, and to Tom, for giving me nearly twenty years of laughter and for always being my best audience.”



Brian DePrez (Sergeant Davenport) hopes the third time is a charm as he is back for his third show with ACT. Brian is thrilled that there is no singing or dancing - and he is sure that the audience is as well! Brian is blessed with a beautiful wife, Wendy, and two wonderful children, Brad and Allison. He is also blessed with the opportunity to work with this incredible cast! **“I hope you all enjoy this little adventure.”**



Gary Hagan (Bill, the taxi driver) is acting in his first Ankeny Community Theatre presentation. Although he's done acting in school, church and everyday life, this is his "debut" in a formal stage setting. Gary and his wife, Diane, live in nearby Bondurant and love to travel. Gary is marketing coordinator at the DSM International Airport and enjoys family and church activities, writing, video and still photography, biking, and working out.



Monte Engh (Sergeant Slater) has been living in Ankeny for over 17 years and hanging around the theatre for past 5 years. He is currently Treasurer for the ACT board. He has been in **“Little Abner,” “You Can’t Take it With You,” “Harvey,”** and **“Bedful of Foreigners.”** During his off hours, he manages the Help Desk for Repair and Maintenance for the Kum and Go Stores. Many thanks go to his patient wife, Vicki. **“I hope you enjoy the show half as much as I have being involved in it.”**



Barbara Petersen (Betty Johnson) is appearing in her first show at the Ankeny Community Theatre. Her last performance was at Johnston High School. Never mind what year! Barbara lives in Ankeny with her husband, Cory McClure, and their two sons, Caleb and Noah, and their pussycat, Smokey. She is a school social worker in Des Moines Public Schools. She would like to thank her husband and boys for all their support during her absences for rehearsal. Happy 8th Birthday to Noah on opening night.



Kent Whitmore (Vic Johnson) been with ACT off and on for seven years. He has done musicals, comedies and dramas. His favorite are the comedies, especially those with a “British” flavor. Kent lives with his wife of 20 years, Vonnice, and their two teenagers, Alicia and Bryce. He works for Broadlawns as a social worker in the Homeless Mental Health Department.



Doug Arterburn (Mr. Big) has been involved with ACT since 1992 and this will be his fifth time on stage. His most favorite role was playing Mr. Jenkins in another British comedy, “Cash on Delivery.” Other times you can find him serving as house manager, stage manager, set builder and painter or being the handyman for whatever else needs to be done. Doug works at Pioneer Hi-Bred as a computer programmer. He enjoys reading and hiking and is an avid Star Trek fan.

Kevin Sprague (Director) has directed six shows for ACT. He has also appeared numerous times on the ACT stage since his first appearance in 1993’s production of “I Remember Mama.” Producing and technical work is also among his many theatre talents. He is currently serving on the ACT Board of Directors. Kevin works at the ISU Veterinary Hospital as an anesthesia technician. He lives in Polk City with his wife Stephanie and step-daughter, Bryanna. In his spare time, he enjoys reading, fishing and gardening.

Lynn Arterburn (Producer) has done it all at ACT from acting to directing and EVERYTHING in between. Lynn is a past member of ACT’s Board of Directors. Lynn has directed the musical drama, and the adult and youth drama groups at her church. When Lynn is not involved with the theatre, she can be found working at Terrace Elementary in Ankeny.

“I would like to thank my wonderful husband, Doug, for being so VERY supportive, patient and understanding during these past several. He agreed to letting the cast rearrange our family room into a stage and put up with props, Legos, and My Little Ponies scattered all over the rest of the house during the three weeks the cast was not able to get into the theatre. He is truly one great guy.”

Join Us At the ‘Shell

ACT will be part of the program to dedicate the new Ankeny Band Shell at Wagner Park on June 6. Cast from “All I Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten” will perform a scene from that show. Watch the local media for announcement of the time.

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Ankeny Community Theatre can always use volunteers. We need actors, directors, producers and stage crew as well as help with set building, lights/sound, make-up, costumes, and refreshments. We love having new people involved! Time commitment depends on the individual. We appreciate any time that you can give us. To become a member of our family, just call the theatre.

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