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By Pat Cook

September 30 – October 16

A Nice Family Gathering

By Phil Olson

December 2 - 18

Sing On!

By Rick Abbot

February 3 - 19

Father of the Bride

By Caroline Francke

April 13 - 29

The Baseball Show

By Cynthia Mercati

June 8 - 24

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By Ray Cooney

August 10 - 26

DEAD GIVEAWAY

CAST

In Order of Appearance

Dr. Hugh Bernard	Michael Porche
Angie Bowles	Melissa Powell
Beryl Chartres	Cheryl Kimberley
Evelyn Harrigan	Rachel Geisler
Fiona Standish	Susan Casber
Catherine Meers	Barb Wagner
Dinah Boxburrough	Barbara J. Jay
Jinx	Copper

Time: Present, in the fall

Place: The living room of Beryl's house

ACT I

Scene 1	October morning
Scene 2	Afternoon of the same day
Scene 3	Late night of the same day
Scene 4	Next morning
Scene 5	Three days later, Halloween morning
Scene 6	Halloween evening

Intermission: 15 minutes

ACT II

Scene 1	About a minute later
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Production Team

Director	Harold Mosier
Assistant Director	Dawn Hockemeyer
Producer	Grace Leverenz
Lead Tech	Harold Mosier
Light Engineer	Tim Klingensmith
Sound Engineer	Polly Taylor
Light/Sound Operator	Laurie Carnahan
Set Construction	Harold Mosier, Tim Klingensmith
Stage Manager	Dawn Hockemeyer
Property Manager	Dawn Hockemeyer
House Manger	Doug Arterburn
Ushers	Grace Leverenz, Jerry Reid
Playbill	Lynn Arterburn
Marketing	Lynn Arterburn, Doug Arterburn, Becky Plager, Kathy Polson

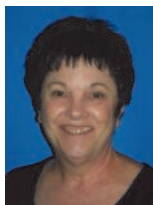
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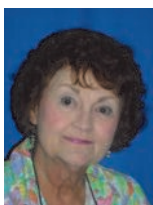
Susan Casber (Fiona Standish) was last seen on the ACT stage in *Play On!* She has performed in other productions at ACT as well as at Pella, Class Act Productions and the Ingersoll Dinner Theater. Susan is the school nurse at Merrill Middle School in Des Moines. This past summer she assisted with the ACT Drama Camps. She is married to Scott and is the proud mother of Adam and Chole. In her spare time she enjoys spending time with family and friends, reading, and attending theater shows. She would like to thank her family for their support. She is excited to share the stage with her sister, Barb Wagner.



Rachel Geisler (Evelyn Harrigan) first appeared on the ACT stage a year ago in *Saturday Night at the Drive-In*. Prior to that her only experience was playing the lead protagonist in her third grade play at Rice Elementary. Rachel's hobbies include Zumba, Tae Kwon Do, gardening, and volunteering at the Animal Rescue League. She is a dog bather at PetSmart Grooming. She aspires to be a professional groomer and foster a puppy who will become a service dog.



Barbara J. Jay (Dinah Boxburrough) is not only new to ACT but is also new to theater. She is excited about making her debut and hopes to continue her involvement with ACT, both on stage and behind the scenes. Barbara loves animals, especially cats and rabbits. She is a licensed skydiver with over 350 jumps and is also a casual long-distance runner. Barbara is a graduate of Grand View University and works for the Iowa State Patrol headquarters in administrative support.



Cheryl Kimberley (Beryl Chartres) is also making her debut at ACT. She is certainly no stranger to the world of theater, however. Cheryl has performed at UNI and Waterloo Community Playhouse. Shows include *Lion In Winter*, *Foxfire*, *Jake's Women*, and *The Night of the Iguana*. She has worked every backstage position including writing, directing, and even cleaning toilets! Cheryl is the author of one act and children's plays. She is currently working on a Christmas musical, *The Christmas Chair*. Cheryl recently moved back to Iowa from Colorado and is an antique dealer.



Michael Porche (Dr. Hugh Bernard) is becoming a familiar face on the ACT stage appearing in *Every Little Crook and Nanny*, *Lend Me a Tenor*, *Saturday Night at the Drive-In*, *Wait Until Dark* and *The Long Red Herring*. Michael is serving his second year on the Board of Directors and is the Production chair. He was co-director of the 2011 Children's Summer Drama Camps. Michael is an accomplished landscaper. He is a promoter of organ donation. Michael enjoys spending time with his wife, Tara, and their son, Matthew.



Melissa Powell (Angie Bowles) is no stranger to the stage and is back for another round of Pat Cook. You may recognize her from an earlier Cook production, *The Long Red Herring*. She has done multiple theater/film projects throughout the Des Moines area. She is active in her community through multiple volunteer efforts and tutoring. She is a self-proclaimed football fanatic and is addicted to Casey's Pizza and Fruit Roll-ups. When she isn't working on her ailments, she likes to spend time mastering the air guitar and working on further developing her Jedi Mind Trick Skills.



Barb Merrill Wagner (Catherine Meers) just finished directing her sixth show for ACT - *Play On!* She is a veteran actress in area theatres and has directed and/or appeared in 150 productions in her 35 year career. Most of those were at the Ingersoll Dinner Theater, but she has also worked at Class Act Productions, Stage West, Tallgrass Theatre, Urbandale Community Theatre, Union Street Players and the Des Moines Playhouse. Barb is married to Don and is thrilled to be sharing the stage for the first time since 2004 with her sister, Susan Casber. "Thanks ALWAYS to my family for putting up with my busy schedule during yet another show.



Harold Mosier (Director) has been involved in all aspects of theater but says he prefers directing. Harold's favorite shows, after the current one are *Hankerin' Hillbillies* and *The Money In Uncle George's Suitcase* both by Pat Cook and his 2007 Iowa Fringe Festival entry, *The Oldest Profession* by Paula Vogel. Harold is serving his third year on the ACT Board of Directors and is the chair for the Play Selection Committee. Harold would like to thank ACT for this opportunity, the cast and crew for their efforts and mostly, you, the audience for your support.

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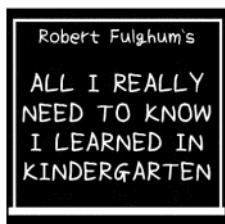
Dawn Hockemeyer (Assistant Director) would like to thank Harold for letting her be his assistant director for *Dead Giveaway*. Dawn enjoys sewing, reading, and acting. She has enjoyed playing several roles at ACT. Favorites include: *The Money in Uncle George's Suitcase*, *And Then There Were None*, *Hankerin' Hillbillies*, and her very first role as Delightful in *Dearly Departed*.



Grace Leverenz (Producer) recently expanded her horizons to include her first GREAT grandchild. It was a great thrill for a 83 year old grandmother. After 25 years with ACT, she is ready to retire, but is afraid that she might miss something!

Copper (Jinx) is making his debut at Ankeny Community Theatre. His is having a great time hamming it up. Copper's hobbies include chasing things, napping and not sharing. He is the owner of two humans.

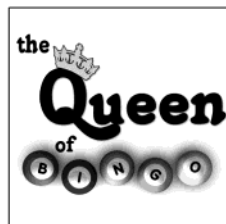
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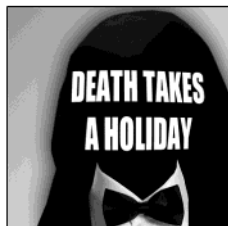
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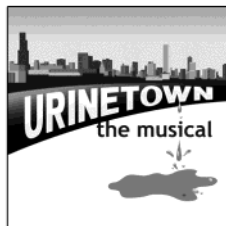
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