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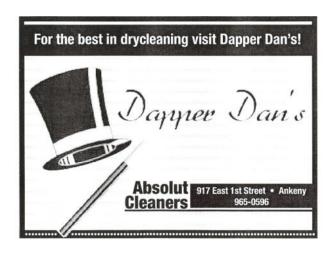
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# **Spotlight on Volunteers**

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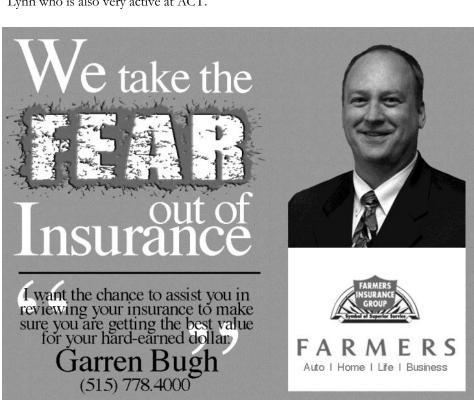
Our volunteers are the heart and life of ACT. ACT could not survive without the m. Each show's playbill will focus a volunteer as a way to say thank you for all of their time and effort that they have given to ACT.



Doug Arterburn was nominated in September by ACT members as the 2012 Darel Award recipient which is the highest honor an ACT volunteer can receive. He has been involved with ACT since 1992 when he had role in *The Wizard of Oz.* Since then Doug has appeared on stage in *Heaven Can Wait, Cash on Delivery,* and *You Can't Take it With You.* Doug has also been instrumental behind the scenes as well. Doug manages the ACT website, helps with marketing by sending out emails and pro-

vides other computer tech support when needed. He was also instrumental in creating the on line registration program for the Children's Drama Camps. He serves as one of our house managers and ushers. Doug has also worked concessions and box office, helped with clean up days, and has worked in the tech booth and backstage.

Doug is a computer analyst for Rock River Laboratory in Watertown, Wisconsin. He has two children, Scott and Lisa, who have also been on involved with ACT. He enjoys spending time with his two 4-year old twin grandchildren, Olivia and Owen. He also enjoys reading, hiking and watching science fiction movies. Doug is married to Lynn who is also very active at ACT.



## Finders Creepers

By Donald Payton Comedy/Murder Mystery October 5 - 21

## Dad's Christmas Miracle

By Pat Cook Comedy/Family Show November 30 - December 16 **Playbills Sponsored by Dave's Jewelry** 

## The Maginot Line

By Emmett Loverde Comedy February 1 - 17

## The Amorous Ambassador

By Michael Parker Farce April 5 - 21

## The Dixie Swim Club

By Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope, & Jamie Wooten Comedy/Drama June 7 - 23

## The Big Five-Oh!

By Brian Mitchell Comedy August 2 - 18

# **Cast of Finders Creepers**

Hercules Justin Peterson

Lucas Steve Price

Daphne Carla Rogers Paris

Claude Mark Tuttle

Celeste Jessica Lambert

Stevie Emma Tagye

Aunt Mary Joyce Allen

Granny Marcia Kisner

Uncle Bob Monte Engh

Henry #1 Andy Griggs (1st weekend)

Henry #2 Kent Whitmore (2nd weekend)

Henry #3 Mike Porche (3rd weekend)

Harry Schuster Tom Foster

Madeline Ella Paris

Jason T.Quigley Troy DeStigter

Nicholle Julia Polson

Dr. Brown Jim Leeper

#### Setting

Nelson Funeral Home

#### ACT I

An evening in early October

5 Minute Intermission

#### ACT II

The next day

15 Minute Intermission

#### ACT III

Later the same day

## **Production Team**

Director Kent Whitmore

Assistant Director Joyce Allen

Producer Mike Porche

Technical Supervisor Harold Mosier

Lights & Sound Bekah Tuttle, Matt Tuttle

Set Construction Monte Engh, Bekah Tuttle,

Lanny Tuttle, Mark Tuttle, Matt Tuttle

Set Painting Mark Tuttle

Set Decoration Joyce Allen, Marcia Kisner,

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House Manager Doug Arterburn

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Logo Vonnie Whitmore

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### Special Acknowledgements

ACT appreciates the generosity of businesses and individuals who help support productions. The cast and crew of *Finders Creepers* would like to thank the following businesses for their generous contributions to the show.

Dress Barn - Aunt Mary's clothes Iowa Lutheran Hospital - gurney Prairie Trail Mercy Clinic - doctor's bag

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## Cast Notes



**Joyce Allen** (Aunt Mary/Assistant Director) Some of Joyce's favorite roles were performed on this stage, including Lizzie in *The Rainmaker*, Suzie in *Wait Until Dark*, Mary Bailey in *It's a Wonderful Life*, and Ma in *Hankerin' Hillbillies*. She recently finished a production of *The Producers* at Des Moines Playhouse. In her spare time, she enjoys sewing, quilting, bicycle riding, jogging, and is an active

member of the Omega, and Third Stanza writer's groups. She is excited to be Monte's stage wife, again, and sharing the stage with her pastor, Marcia, and her son for one weekend. She has 3-1/2 grandkids, #4 due in February, and is a CMA at Iowa Retina Consultants.



**Troy DeStigter** (Jason T. Quigley) It would be easier to list the shows in which Troy has NOT appeared. He has been a very active part of many productions at ACT, with some of his favorite including It Runs in the Family, A Nice Family Gathering, The Rainmaker, Heaven Can Wait, Wizard of Oz and Rumors. In his spare time, Troy likes to collect rock n' roll memorabilia, and is a document

scanner for Meredith Corporation.



Monte Engh (Uncle Bob) Monte's ACT debut was in *Bedfull of Foreigners* back in 1999. Some of his favorite roles have been in *Bedful of Foreigners*, *Wizard of Oz: the Nonmusical*, *Hankerin Hillbillies*, *The Odd Couple*, *and Funny Money*. He is married to Vicki, has three grown children and a grandson, Ethen. Monte works for Kum and Go Stores. In his free time, he enjoys biking, sports, traveling, and

going on mission trips. He currently serves as the treasurer for the ACT Board of Directors.



**Tom Foster** (Harry Schuster) This is Tom's fourth ACT appearance in a row! He was seen in *Father of the Bride, The Baseball Show,* and *It Runs in the Family*. When he's not busy acting, he plays disc golf and guitar, swims and cycles, and is employed by K. A. Construction.



**Andy Griggs** (Henry) It has been 12 years since Andy has appeared on the ACT stage. In 2000 he played Charlie in The *Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. He was also in a production of *Drama Club* at Parkview Junior High, as well as a two-person Christmas play at Nazareth Lutheran Church in Cambridge. He likes to read, watch movies, and is getting ready to be a dad for the first time in

February.



Marcia Kisner (Granny) ACT is very happy to have Marcia making her debut appearance with us. She was a member of the Covenant Players from 1977-78, and worked at the Old Creamery Theatre for two summers during college. More recently, she directed several shows at Ballard High School and was active with Huxley Community Theatre as well. Some of her favorite roles include

Veta in *Harvey*, and Peppermint Patty in *Good Man Charlie Brown*. Some of her hobbies include photography, reading and travel, and Vacation Bible School. She is also a Cubbies fan and "can't wait until next year." In addition, she loves theatre "and it shows on Sunday morning."



Jim Leeper (Dr. Brown) Jim has been acting for nearly 30 years in one place or another around Iowa and Columbia, Tennessee. He was in several productions in Clinton High School, including *Alice in Wonderland, Hello Dolly*, and *West Side Story*, followed by roles in Central College in Pella. In Columbia, he was in *See How They Run*, a Murder is Announced, and It Runs in the Family, which he recently

reprised at ACT. He was in the Farnsworth Invention at the Des Moines Playhouse, and All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten and It Runs in the Family on ACT's stage.



**Jessica Lambert** (Celeste) Jessica is a very busy and talented young lady! This is her debut with ACT, but not in the spotlight. Some of her previous works include *Best Christmas Pageant Ever* at Des Moines Playhouse, *Legend of Sleepy Hollow* at Stillwell Junior High, several shows at Sacred Heart School, and a dancer in *Footloose*. She is also active in choir, Apex All Star Cheer and cheerlead-

ing at Valley High School, and has appeared in commercials for Mediacom and Toys for Tots. She is in 10<sup>th</sup> grade at Valley High School, and plans to pursue a career in acting after graduation.



Carla Rogers-Paris (Daphne) Carla has been in several ACT shows, including A Christmas Carol, I Remember Mama, Saturday Night at the Drive In and The Baseball Show. She shares the stage with her daughter, Ella, and would like to share, "I have many non-related friends."



Ella Paris (Madeline) Ella has been in several ACT productions, including *A Christmas Carol, I Remember Mama, Saturday Night at the Drive In* and *The Baseball Show.* She is also active in dance and cheerleading, and is happy to be sharing the stage with her mother. She is a 10th-grader at Ballard High School.

## **Cast Notes Continued**



**Justin Peterson** (Hercules) This is Justin's third appearance in an ACT production. Previously he was in *The Baseball Show* and *Father of the Bride*. He is also active in school plays at Northview Middle School where he is in 9<sup>th</sup> grade. When he's not busy learning lines, he enjoys video games, and hopes to write the "great American Novel."



**Julia Polson** (Nicholle) Julia has been active in ACT's drama camps, was a member of the ensemble/jug band in *Hankerin' Hill-billies*, and also appeared in *Praise Rocks*, a production at her church. She is an 8th grader who is home schooled, has two sisters and a brother (Jessica, Emily and Ethan). She enjoys reading, playing piano and violin and hopes to become an actress or librarian.



**Steve Price** (Lucas) This is Steve's debut appearance on our ACT stage, and we're happy to have him. He is active in Scouts, and also enjoys video games. He is a 7th grader at Prairie Ridge Middle School.



Emma Tagye (Stevie) This is Emma's first show ever, and we're glad to have her as part of our team. She is a 6th-grader at Parkview Middle School where she is active on the swim team, and also enjoys hanging out with her friends. She has two sisters, Julie and Megan. She is very excited about her first show, and was inspired by watching her sister, Julia, perform in *The Baseball Show*.

She plays the trumpet, and hopes to go into nursing.



Mark Tuttle (Claude) Besides appearing on the ACT stage, Mark loves building sets, one of which is before you now. He has previously acted in *Christmas Foundling* and *High Society*. When he's not acting or building sets for us, he can be seen riding his motorcycle or bicycle around town, heading to Crossroads Church where he is a pastor, or fulfilling his professorial duties at DMACC. He and

his wife, Janet, have two children, Matt and Bekah.

Kent Whitmore (Director/Henry #2) Kent has been in several shows at ACT, but is making his debut as Director. Previously, he was seen as Elwood in *Harvey*, John the Baptist and Judas in *Godspell*, Dexter Haven in *High Society*, and was also in *The Money in Uncle George's Suitcase*, *Fools* and *Saturday Night at the Drive In*. When he's not busy acting or directing, he enjoys camping. He and his

wife, Vonnie, have a new grandson, Leland. He is employed at Broadlawns Medical Center.

Mike Porche (Producer/Henry #3) Michael's first show at ACT was Every Little Crook and Nanny, and got the "bug." He has since been in Wait Until Dark, It Runs in the Family, and directed The Baseball Show, and The Maginot Line. He and his wife, Tara, have a son, Matt, and he is the Field Rep for Redbox and owner of GeauxMeaux. He was also the recipient of the Governor's Volun-

teer Award in March for his work done with Iowa Donor Network, promoting organ/tissue donation awareness.



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Please consider helping us out by donating items that we need. A wish list may be found on the ACT website under Summer Camp. Every box of crayons, pair of scissors, glue stick or other supply is one less item that we need to purchase from registration money. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn, camp director, by emailing or calling the theater.

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- ♦ Costuming
- ♦ Set building
- ♦ Make-up
- ♦ Concessions
- ♦ Backstage work

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