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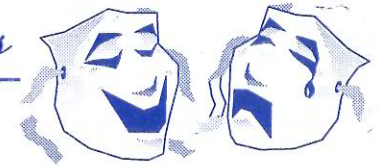
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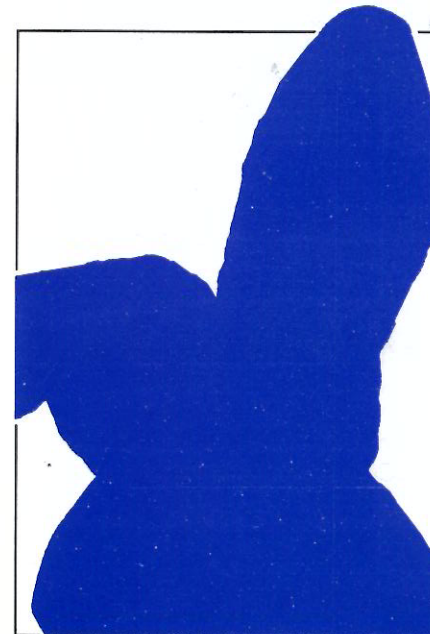


Kathryn Randolph Theater Presents

Harvey

Our Distinguished Cast

Myrtle Mae Simmons.....	Bev McCallister Nees
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Elwood P. Dowd.....	Edward S. Sant
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Duane Wilson.....	Karl P. Gnad
Lyman Sanderson, M.D.....	Don Keith
William R. Chumley, M.D.....	Leonard "Sonny" Downing
Betty Chumley.....	Gaye Garner
Judge Omar Gaffney.....	Bob McIntire
E. J. Lofgren.....	Robert Hous
Harvey (in order of performance dates).....Kenny Harden, Stephanie Fitz, Suzy, Margaret Mannion, Jim Stuart, Ed DeVore, Rod Nees, B. J. Harvey	



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family mansion and the reception room
of Chumley's Rest.

Act 1
Scene 1: The library, late afternoon
Scene 2: Chumley's Rest, an hour later
Act 2
Scene 1: The library, an hour later
Scene 2: Chumley's Rest, four hours later
Act 3
Chumley's Rest, a few minutes later

*There will be a ten minute intermission
between acts.*
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From The President



Welcome to the first show of Red Mask's 60th Anniversary Season. As President of this organization, I want to personally thank you for attending our presentation of HARVEY this evening. I have been involved in Red Mask Players for many years now and little did I think I would ever run the place, but here I am.

To start with, I need to mention a few things and then we'll get down to business. I want to extend a warm and heartfelt thanks to all the individuals who contribute their time and energy into putting on a show. It's not the easiest thing being down here at rehearsals three nights a week for eight weeks and then giving up three weekends for perfor-

mances but it's in our blood. What else can we do?

Next, a big round of applause to you, our audience members, for supporting the organization and attending the shows. If you liked the performance, please pass on a good review to your friends and relatives. If the performance didn't move you to laughter and applause ... well, to quote Abe "You can't please all the people all the time but we try our best."

Now down to business. Red Mask Players is housed in a very old building and if you look around you will see that we have begun renovating the public areas, but more needs to be done. We are selling "bricks" to help pay for all that needs to be accomplished and believe me that's a lot! We are desperately in need of major repair work in the non-public areas of the theater and we definitely need a new gutter system. Our new roof cost a fortune and I would hate to see it ruined because the gutters are bad. If any of you out there can help out with this, great (besides, it's tax deductible).

Well, enough financial information for now. Enjoy the show!

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From The Director



There is always a great deal of discussion about certain aspects of a play. Our discussions centered around who would be capable of playing Harvey.

As if by accident or design, I am still not sure which, our Harvey happened to be standing under the street light just outside the theater the first night of auditions. He asked me, "Hey, pal, got a match?" There was an old joke which came to mind but I thought better of using it when chit chatting with someone over six feet tall. Instead I just thought him that he was standing under one and he snickered.

"You're the one I've been hearing about. I could see your mind working and how you fought to keep it in. You'll do." At which point, he brushed passed me and entered the theater. I rushed in the side door (he had entered through the front doors even though they were locked) but could not find him anywhere. Perhaps you will spot him wandering the theater tonight!

Our cast and crew have been working overtime to bring the visible characters in this play to life. They know they have to be good because Harvey is looking over their shoulders at the most inopportune times.

We are very pleased you could join us for the first performances of the Red Mask 60th anniversary season. There is just one small detail you should know before the show begins: laugh and Harvey laughs with you. Don't laugh and Harvey comes to stay at your house!

Warren Frank





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Production Team

Warren Frank-Director

It's not so much that he's vertically challenged or that he is folically impaired...well, maybe it is all that which keeps bringing Warren back to the Red Mask stage. We let him sweep the stage or paint it as often as he likes but rarely let him on it, unless it's to sweep or paint. Warren has a very lovely and understanding wife, Ann. A five year old beagle, P.J., rounds out their family. Warren is principal at Danville Lutheran School and Ann teaches kindergarten at DLS.



Chuck Pundt-Stage Manager

Chuck has made several appearances on stage for Red Mask but Harvey introduces him to an entirely new role as stage manager. He thanks Warren for being patient as he stumbled around in confusion while learning this new part.

Sheryl Walsh-Producer

Harvey again finds me working in a backstage position, My first Red Mask show was Noises Off and I been involved in many since then. Some of you may remember me in my starring role in Rumors (Okay, I only had two lines but they were important) but I'm most at home behind the scenes. And thanks to my daughter, Heather, for my community theater beginnings.



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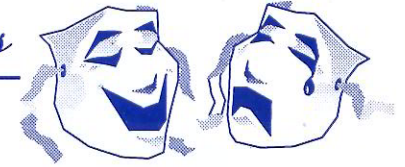
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On Stage

Robert Hous - E.J. Lofgren

It's been five years since Robert has delivered lines on the Red Mask stage as Leo in **Romantic Comedy**. Although E. J. is a brief role, it is great in scope 'cause "if the cabby don't save the day, the rabbit goes away." When not hustling fares to Chumley's Rest, Robert moonlights at East Park Elementary as a fourth grade MATS teacher. More than they will probably ever know, Robert appreciates the understanding and support for this and other distractions from his wife, Sherri, and their charming little daughter, Lauren.

Edward S. Sant - Elwood P. Dowd

This is Ed's sixth performance on Red Mask's stage, having appeared in **The Gingerbread Lady**, **Arsenic and Old Lace**, **Rumors**, and last season's **How the Other Half Loves**. Ed and wife Donna have been involved with Red Mask for over 12 years. Ed is currently Red Mask Board president and when not working at the theater, he is usually found at his own business, ESP Labs.

Bob McIntire - Judge Omar Gaffney

Bob last appeared for Red Mask in **The Wisdom of Eve**. He has also appeared in productions for Gregory's Academy, The Station Theater, and Danville Light Opera. His most recent appearance was as Drake in **Annie**. Bob is a Public Defender and lives in Danville with his wife, Cheryl, daughter Mindy and Duncan.

Mary Ann Laker - Veta Louise Simmons

Mary Ann is a relative newcomer to Red Mask. Having previously been seen as Trudy in **Social Security**, Cookie in the wildly funny **Rumors**, and with Red Mask's summer one acts. She is the wife of Red Mask's 1st Vice President, Dave. Mary Ann would like to thank him for all his love and support. When not appearing in a Red Mask show, she can be found backstage in a variety of helping roles.

Don Keith - Dr. Lyman Sanderson

Don has been living in Boston for 15 years. He was born and raised in Danville and has returned to pursue a career as a social worker and public servant. This will be far different from his previous career as a Naval Intelligence Officer. He is new to Red Mask, as well as to the stage but he intends to make the Kathryn Randolph theater his second home. Where is that spare cot?

Leonard "Sonny" Downing - Dr. William Chumley

Snoopy, Luther Billis, Moonface Martin, Rev. Crisparkle, Dottore, Louie Fan, Sheriff Billy Jerk, and Roy name some of the characters I have been honored to portray on stage these past ten or twelve years. I am extremely thankful...Thankful for those of you in the audience who, through your interest and appreciation, allow us to enjoy these brief experiences on stage. Thankful for my peers who accompany me on stage, direct, produce, and provide the unending labor and encouragement backstage. Thankful for my lovely wife, Sandy, who tolerates my absence from other responsibilities and encourages me to be the best I can be. Above all, I am thankful to God, without whom the talent within each and everyone of us gathered here tonight would not exist.



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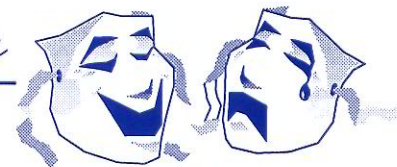
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Lisa Lovelace - Mrs. Ethel Chauvenet

Lisa returns to the stage after directing last season's **Crimes of the Heart**. She previously appeared as stern Grandma Kurnitz in **Lost in Yonkers** and the slovenly Jezebel in **Murder in the Magnolias**. Lisa took home a Katy for her cameo role as gossip reporter TallyHo Thompson in **Wisdom of Eve**. Some of you may remember her as Lucy in DLO's production of **You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown**. In real life, Lisa is an attorney with the law firm of Kurth and DeArmond.

Karl P. Gnadt - Duane Wilson

Karl has appeared on the Red Mask stage as Glen Cooper in **Rumors** and Mortimer Brewster in **Arsenic and Old Lace**. His other credits include performances with Sunshine II Productions as the bellhop in **Lend Me a Tenor** and as Andrew Rally in this past summer's **I Hate Hamlet**. Karl works at the Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District. He would like to express his love and gratitude to his beautiful bride, Heidi.

Bev McCallister Nees - Myrtle Mae Simmons

Bev has been actively involved at Red Mask for 8 years. This past season, she was seen in **Early One Evening at the Rainbow Bar and Grille**. In addition to being in a terrific show, she was married on the Red Mask stage in June. Bev thanks her wonderful husband, Rod, for his patience and understanding and her two beautiful daughters, Dawn and Brandi, for their support.

Trish Ceader - Nurse Ruth Kelly

Trish was last seen at Red Mask in the starring role of **LuAnn Hampton Lavery Oberlander**, but that's not the only theater she's done. She was Ruby in DLO's production of **Dames at Sea** and has made frequent appearances for Sunshine II productions. Trish is the proud mother of 4 year old Taylor and 5 month old Tory and a preschool instructor at Central Christian Church.

Gaye Garner - Mrs. Betty Chumley

This is Gaye's fourteenth Red Mask season either on stage, off stage, or as a board member. Big changes this year include a new job and a new puppy. Thanks as always to a terrific cast, crew and friends at Red Mask as well as husband Dave. Because of them, Danville is a great place to be.





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Scholarship

Red Mask's Board of Directors is a happy to announce that once again, Red Mask will be awarding the Jean Lewis Scholarship, in the amount of \$500, to an area high school senior, community college, or college student planning to, or already pursuing, a major in theater or a directly-related field, such as speech, oral interpretation, or radio-television. Information and application forms can be obtained from area high school counselors, or speech and drama teachers.

At Danville Area Community College, application forms are available from the Communications Dept., the Counseling Office, or the Financial Aid Office.

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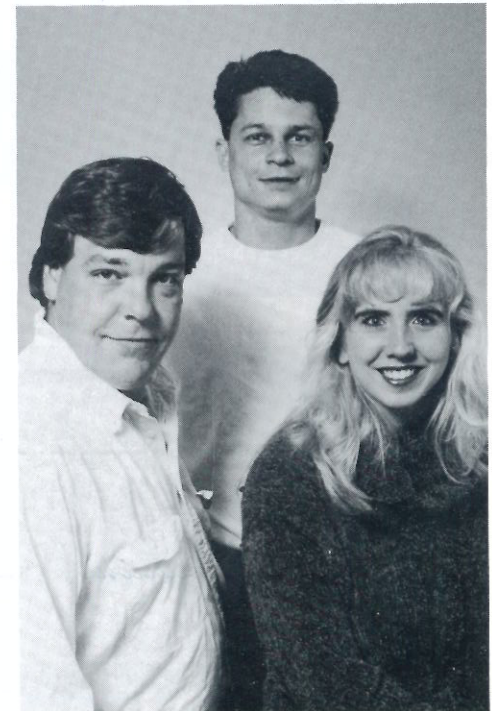
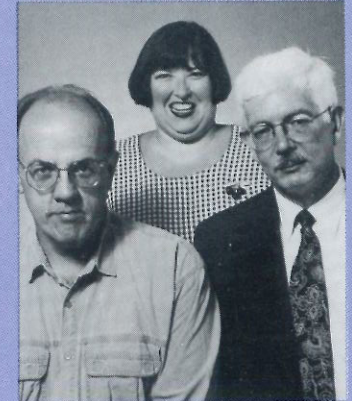


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Behind The Scenes

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Stage Manager.....	Chuck Pundt
Producer.....	Sheryl Walsh
Set construction.....	Cast & Crew
Props.....	Katie Beck
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