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STAIRS



# *Red Mask Players, Inc.*

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PRESENTS

## **The Dark at the Top of the Stairs**

by William Inge

FEBRUARY 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 1964

8: 15 P.M.

Directed by

Mrs. Kathryn Randolph

Assistant to the Director

Mrs. Betty Sue Kreidler

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## THE CAST

(In order of appearance)

Rubin Flood	Rex Hansen
Cora Flood	Betsy Harpley
Sonny Flood	Stephen Lashbrook
Reenie Flood	Gadine Haxton
Flirt Conroy	Carol Strader
Morris Lacey	Bob Cooper
Lottie Lacey	Patsy Ragle
Sammy Goldenbaum	Dan Smith
Punky Givens	Stephen Gentis

Time: Early 1920's

Place: The home of Rubin and Cora Flood  
in a small Oklahoma town.

Act I - Late Monday afternoon in early Spring.

Act II - Friday night.

Act III - Late Saturday afternoon.

We welcome members who want to help with productions. Come try out for a Red Mask play. The next production is INHERIT THE WIND.

Watch the newspaper for tryout times. We would also like to have you for backstage work. Why not give it a whirl? Call HI 2-0023 anytime after 6 P.M.

### you are invited . . .

After the show, come backstage. Meet the cast and backstage personnel. See our new light panel board constructed and donated by Hurlatron, Inc. We welcome your comments and criticisms and would like to show you what goes on backstage.

### please note . . .

Smoking is not permitted in the auditorium. You may smoke downstairs and in the outer lobby. Thank you.

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CASTING	Ted Harpley, Chr., Lou Lowenstein, Lou Satterlee, Del Bremicker, Gloria Prentice
MEMBERSHIP	Lou Lowenstein
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PROGRAM COVER DESIGN	Dan Pipkin
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## Beneath the Grease Paint . . .

**REX HANSEN** (Rubin) Rex is employed at WICD as Program Manager. This is his first Red Mask play, however, he has much experience behind the footlights. He has been associated with the theatre for 14 years. Some of his plays are "Dial 'M' for Mruder", "Pygmalion", "Brigadoon", "Father of the Bride", "Twelfth Night", "Picnic", "The River Line", and "Mr. Roberts", Besides acting, Rex has done some directing. We are looking forward to seeing much more of him on our stage.

**BETSY HARPLEY** (Cora) Betsy has been very active in Red Mask for the four years she has been in Danville. Besides working backstage, primarily on make-up, she has been seen in "Witness for the Prosecution", "Man in a Dog Suit", and "Picnic". She is married to the current Vice President of Red Mask and had two children.

**STEPHEN LASHBROOK** (Sonny) This is Steve's first Red Mask play, although he was seen in the Women's Guild production of "The Clown Prince of Wanderlust". He is 13 years old and in the 8th grade at St. Paul's.

**GADINE HAXTON** (Reene) Although this is Gadine's first appearance on stage, she has been very active behind the scenes. She has prompted and worked on scenery and make-up. She is employed at the Social Security office.

**CAROL STRADER** (Flirt) Another newcomer to our stage, Carol has also prompted and worked on scenery. She does have some experience in High School plays. She is employed by the General Electric Co.

**BOB COOPER** (Morris) Bob was seen previously in "The Rainmaker". He is employed in the order service department of General Electric.

**PATSY RAGLE** (Lottie) Patsy is no newcomer to the theatre. She was seen on our stage in "The Mousetrap". She was in several productions in the Brown County Playhouse, including "The Rainmaker". She majored in speech and theatre in school, has her Master's Degree in counseling and guidance and is now teaching at East Park Junior High School. Her son Dean is 4 years old.

**DAN SMITH** (Sammy) Dan will be remembered for his performances in "The Diary of Anne Franck", "The Man in a Dog Suit", and "The Clown Who Ran Away". He also trod the boards in Marion, Indiana in "The Rainmaker" and "Kind Sir". He is employed at WICD as announcer and sports director.

**STEPHEN GENTIS** (Punky) This is Steve's first Red Mask play, but he has appeared in school plays. He is a Sophomore at Schlarman High School.

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