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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

*Arsenic and Old Lace* represents the end of another season for the Red Mask Players. Perhaps—as we anticipate a new season of productions—it is fitting that we present you with a play that has endless appeal. The hits just keep on coming.

I think it's worthwhile to dust off the theater classics every once in a while. Give them a polish and shine. Make them new again.

*Arsenic and Old Lace* is an American comedy treasure. It's like a good joke you've told a thousand times. Every time you tell it it's a new adventure. And, no matter how often your audience has heard it, it always brings a smile to their faces.

They may no longer write 'em like they used to, but that's the advantage of live theater. Classics, such as *Arsenic and Old Lace* were written "when they used to" and theater groups such as ours have the opportunity to breathe new life into them.

"Did ya' ever hear the one about the two little old ladies who would take in house guests and..."

**Jim Knoblauch**  
President, Red Mask

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

Brooklyn. 1940-something. War rages in Europe and the Pacific. Find that quiet spot to relax for a little while, putting your worries aside. Perhaps that old house next to the church where two maiden aunts, Abby and Martha, are always willing to prepare biscuits and jam, hot soup, sandwiches, or to pour a small glass of elderberry wine that anyone would die for.

We invite you to venture forth into our world. Our world of insanity, mayhem, and the Panama Canal in the basement. Our world of characters, constabulary, craziness. Our world of fun, frivolity, and foolishness.

My love and thanks to Ann for allowing me the days and nights to direct this production, to Dave and Ed for the time and effort they always put into a Red Mask production (especially this one), and to our cast and crew for their tireless efforts on-stage and back-stage, and most of all, I would like to thank you for being a member of our audience for this performance.

**Warren Frank**  
Director, *Arsenic and Old Lace*



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## CAST OF CHARACTERS

( In order of appearance )

ABBY BREWSTER .....	BARBARA STOVER
REV. DR. HARPER .....	LOU LOWENSTEIN
TEDDY BREWSTER .....	EDWARD S. SANT
OFFICER BROPHY .....	LARRY FINLEY
OFFICER KLEIN .....	DAVE GARNER
MARTHA BREWSTER .....	BEV MCCALLISTER
ELAINE HARPER .....	CHARLYN REYNOLDS
MORTIMER BREWSTER .....	KARL GNADT
MR. GIBBS .....	BILL SCHATZ
JONATHAN BREWSTER .....	DAVID E. LAKER
DR. EINSTEIN .....	CHUCK PUNDT
OFFICER O'HARA .....	BILL SATTERFIELD
LT. ROONEY .....	JIM STUART
MR. WITHERSPOON .....	BILL SCHATZ

The entire action of the play takes place in the living room of the Brewster home in Brooklyn.

Act I.	An afternoon in September.
Act II.	That same night.
Act II.	Scene 1. Late that night.
Scene 2.	Early the next morning.

There will be a ten-minute intermission after Act I and Act II. At this time, rest rooms and coffee are available at the lower level of the theatre. We request that there be NO SMOKING in any area of the building.

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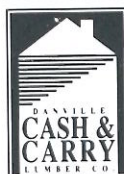


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## PRODUCTION TEAM

**WARREN FRANK (Director)**

This is the the third play Warren has directed (let's hope he gets it right this time) and this show is Ann's favorite (so he'd better get it right)! Warren is principal at Danville Lutheran School and Ann teaches kindergarten at DLS. A "terrible twos" beagle named PJ completes their family.

**DAVE DOWNING (Stage Manager)**

Dave wants to thank Warren for this opportunity to stage manage, and he promises to try to do better than the stage manager from *Ravenscroft*. "I will perform all the menial tasks asked of me," Dave was heard to say. Thanks again, L.V.C. unit.

**ED POLETTI (Producer)**

Ed has been with Red Mask for six years, working mainly back-stage. He appreciates being able to help out and looks forward to future associations with Red Mask. He is single and works at the VA Medical Center.

## ON STAGE

**BARBARA STOVER (Abby Brewster)**

Long time retiree from DACC, Barbara likes serving as the matriarch of this multi-generational cast. Her most recent appearances at Red Mask were in *Steel Magnolias*, and *You Can't Take It With You*. She says, "If you can't take it with you, I'm not going."

**BEV MCCALLISTER (Martha Brewster)**

This is Bev's fifth season with Red Mask. She has also been involved with Gregory's Academy. She has done as much back-stage as on-stage. Bev spends her free time at Palmer Bank and raising her daughters, Dawn and Brandi. Thanks for all your help, girls!

**CHARLYN REYNOLDS (Elaine Harper)**

Charlyn's first production at Red Mask was *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. Since then, she has appeared in many other Red Mask productions and numerous school plays, including *Alice in Wonderland*; *Bye, Bye, Birdie*, and, of course, *Jack in the Beanstalk*, where she played the glorious role of "Bossy Cow." She wishes to thank Cyndi, Darrin, and her Mom for their love and support.

**KARL GNADT (Mortimer Brewster)**

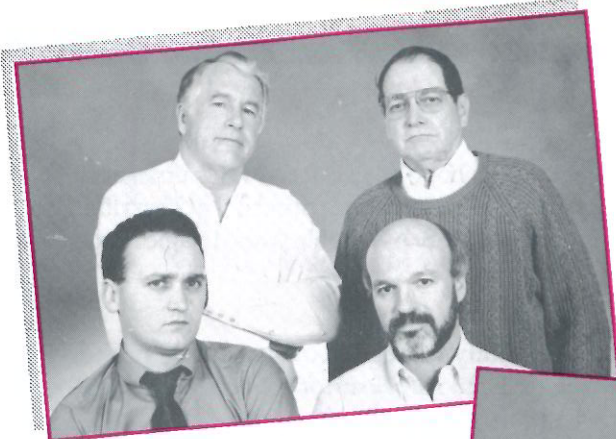
This is Karl's first appearance on stage since 1985, and his first stint with Red Mask. His first time on stage was as Ralphie in *Desperate Hours* in 1977. Most of the time, Karl is the Mass Transit Director for the City of Danville. He was married to his beautiful wife, Heidi, last May.

**DAVID E. LAKER (Jonathan Brewster)**

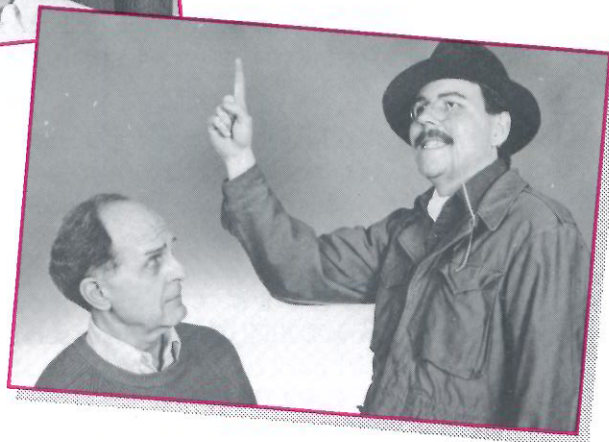
Thanks to a change in his work schedule, this is Dave's first Red Mask show since 1986's *Gingerbread Lady*. Dave works as a food supervisor at the Danville Correctional Center. He lives in Fithian with his wonderful wife, Mary Ann. Dave would like to thank the 1600 role models he had while studying for Jonathan.



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#### CHUCK PUNDT (Dr. Einstein)

Chuck returns to the stage for the second time this season, following his appearance as the insensitive swim coach in *Ordinary People*. He enjoys the off-beat roles best, "Playing a part done by Peter Lorre is the icing on the cake". He wishes to acknowledge Stimpson J. Cat as his major inspiration for the role.

#### EDWARD S. SANT (Teddy Brewster)

Producing *Ravenscroft*, and directing last season's interesting and different *A Company of Wayward Saints*, are just a few of Ed's prolific stage credits. While not working at theater, Ed and his wife, Donna, are the owners of ESP Photo Labs. Ed is thrilled to be in *Arsenic and Old Lace* as long as he doesn't have to shave his mustache or dye his hair green.

#### WILLIAM SATTERFIELD (Officer O'Hara)

William momentarily escapes his seasonal confinement in the Box Office hades with this performance, his sixth in association with Red Mask. He has had many good times at Red Mask, with his directorial stint in last spring's *Trip to Bountiful* topping the list. Willy thanks everyone for the jocularity and merriment.

#### LARRY FINLEY (Officer Brophy)

This is Larry's second appearance on-stage with Red Mask. His 1990 debut as Olin Potts in *LuAnn Hampton Laverdy Oberlander* was a special treat for him because his son, Kurt, was also a cast member. His most recent stage appearance was as Grandpa Prophater in last fall's DLO production of *Meet Me in St. Louis*.

#### DAVE GARNER (Officer Klein)

Dave returns to the Red Mask stage after a six or seven year hiatus. He was last seen in *A Bad Year for Tomatoes*. He recently played Sam in *Plaza Suite* for Gregory's Academy. Dave works for Heatcraft and enjoys playing softball. He would like to thank his wife, Gaye, and their dog, Dolly, for their support.

#### BILL SCHATZ (Mr. Gibbs / Mr. Witherspoon)

Bill is in his nineteenth (and twentieth) appearance on Red Mask's stage. Favorite roles were in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* and *Love, Sex, and the IRS*. He is just completing his eighth term on Red Mask's Board of Directors. Bill and his wife, Marylln, have served in most all capacities behind the scenes.

#### JIM STUART (Lt. Rooney)

Jim has been active in Red Mask since 1980 on-stage and off-stage. He was last seen on-stage in *Squabbles*. He served as president from 1985-1987, and has been a board member for a number of years. He is currently serving on the Red Mask board and as treasurer.

#### LOU LOWENSTEIN (Rev. Harper)

Lou is a past president of Red Mask. In addition to Red Mask productions, he has been seen in C-U Community Theatre productions and at the Station Theater. Some of his show credits include *Stalag 17*, *Bus Stop*, *Black Chiffon*, *The Subject Was Roses*, and *Our Town*. Lou is vice president, Human Resources, for Eagle Wing Industries in Rantoul, and lives with his wife, Peggy, in Champaign.



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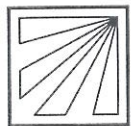


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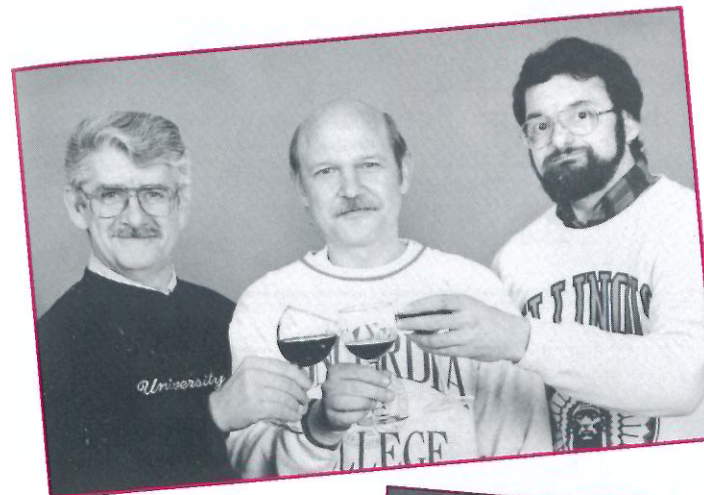
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**Further information can also be obtained from:**  
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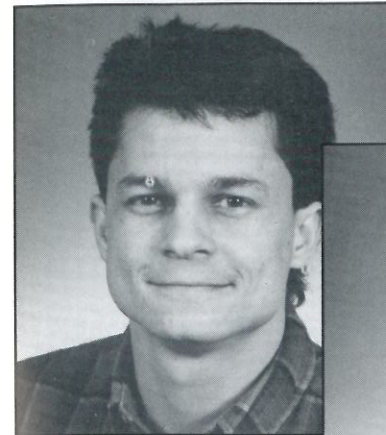
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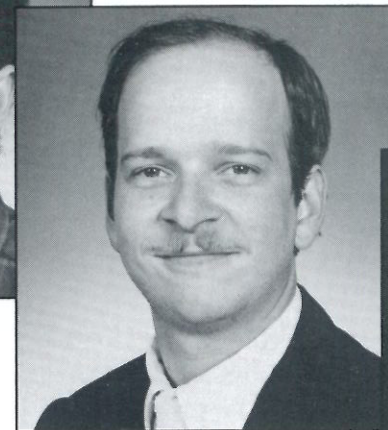
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