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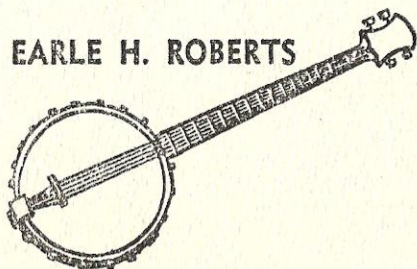
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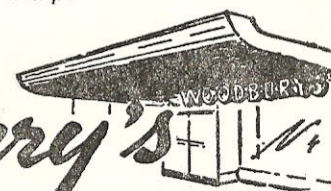
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*Notes from the Director . . .*

This beautiful heart-rendering comedy has provided our cast the opportunity of studying and developing the characters you are enjoying tonight. It has been a real pleasure working with this talented foursome.

This director and Red Mask are indebted to technical director Janice Mullen and her crew for their many hours of rebuilding scenery for both this show and for seasons to come.

Again Barb Cavanaugh and the technical staff have been extremely efficient in the performance of their duties. The smooth running of the show is in their hands.

To all these great people — break a leg! And thanks for a job well done.

Jim Beebe

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Director — James Beebe

Director for Danville Light Opera's productions of "Hello Dolly," "Fiddler on the Roof," and "South Pacific," Jim has also directed over 30 high school, community theatre, and summer stock productions. He has appeared with Red Mask in "Come Blow Your Horn" and "Plazza Suite" and with the Theatre 601 presentation of "Spoon River Anthology." His most recent works in semi-professional theatre were four hits at Stage One Dinner Theatre at Williamsport, Indiana. During his four years as a music director for Ridge Farm school system he has produced and directed "My Fair Lady," "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," and "Sound of Music." And last season Jim directed Red Mask's hit "Wait Until Dark." Presently, Jim is serving on the Red Mask Board of Directors. Jim's wife Joy is the talented vocal coordinator for Danville's elementary schools. She has appeared in Danville Light Opera as well as Red Mask productions and is the director of the Danville Chapter of Sweet Adelines. Their children Danielle and Stephen have appeared in both D.L.O. and Red Mask productions. Following this run of "Butterflies are Free," Jim begins rehearsals for Scottish Rite May production of "1776."

Technical Director — Janice Mullen

Janice has been active backstage with Red Mask taking charge of properties, lights, ticket sales. She served as stage manager for "Forty Carats" and "Everybody Loves Opal." On stage Janice appeared in "Spoon River Anthology" at the DJC Fine Arts Festival. She is secretary for Danville Department of Planning & Development.

Stage Manager — Barb Cavanaugh

Barb has worked behind the scenes on a number of Red Mask committees including properties, prompting, play selection, and tickets. She has also helped with our Red Mask children's productions. Her experience as stage manager includes "Wait Until Dark" and "Curious Savage." Barb has four sons: Jim, Dick, Bob and Bill.

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ACT ONE

*A morning in February*

ACT TWO

Scene 1: *A moment later*

Scene 2: *That night*

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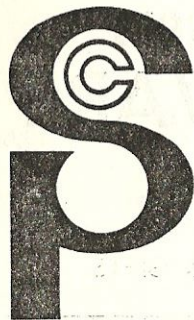
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### *Cast of Characters*

*(In Order of Appearance)*

Don Baker	Brad Huffman
Jill Tanner	Priscilla Neeley
Mrs. Baker	Barbara Vinson
Ralph Austin	Leland Tellier, Jr.

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## *On Stage Tonight*

Barb Vinson — *Mrs. Baker*

A familiar lovely face to theatre goers, Barb has performed in major roles for Danville Light Opera, Stage One Dinner Theatre at Williamsport, and Red Mask. Her numerous musical credits include such roles as Elsa in "Sound of Music," Anna in "King and I," and Sarah in "Guys and Dolls." For her portrayal of Ellen in "Any Wednesday," Barb received the Katy Award.

Barb has also been called upon to help with many production jobs. She worked backstage on productions including "Goodbye Charlie," "Sunday in New York," "Funny Girl," and "Camelot."

Barb's talented family are also accomplished in theatrical and musical areas.

Brad Huffman — *Don Baker*

Brad most recently appeared with Red Mask Players as Jeffrey in "Curious Savage." Last season he portrayed Dr. Bradman in "Blithe Spirit." At the Depot in Urbana, Brad performed in "Dracula Sabat," "Happy Days," and "All Over." When not rehearsing his theatre roles, Brad keeps busy as a student at DJC.

Priscilla Neeley — *Jill Tanner*

Priscilla is making her debut on the Red Mask stage with this performance. She is a very active senior at Fountain Central High School. Priscilla performed in high school musical productions of "Oliver" and "Oklahoma." Last year she had the leading role of Miss Barrett in "Up the Down Staircase." Also to her credit is the '73-'74 High School Drama Award and membership in "Who's Who in American High Schools." Priscilla is presently president of her high school Speech and Drama Club. She plans to pursue a career in fashion merchandising and photography.

Leland Tellier, Jr. — *Ralph Austin*

Leland has been associated with Oakwood High School Dramatics and Music Departments for four years. In spring of '73 he won membership into the Thespian Club. In "Lil Abner," he held a double role as Nusband, and the muscle man. In "Our Town," Leland portrayed George. Most recently he appeared as Dr. Sanderson in "Harvey," and as Professor Harold Hill in "Music Man."

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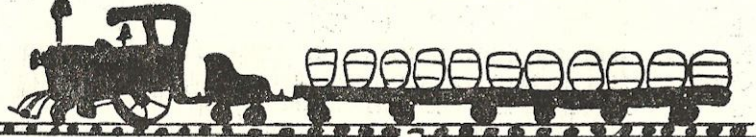
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## Letter From the President . . .

Ladies and Gentlemen;

Welcome to the second play of the 1974-1975 season. It is a good story with a good cast, although the cast is small.

I am sure that those who saw "*Curious Savage*," will agree it was well done and very entertaining. Thanks to a lot of *Great People*.

It is so rewarding to see so many new faces blending in with the veterans in Red Mask. As long as we have the "old" and "new" working together, the theatre will never die.

The work on the building itself, is progressing, although not as rapidly as we had hoped. Time is a factor and so is money. The wiring job has set us back, but with so many good people around, we will make it.

So now relax and enjoy "*Butterflies Are Free*." If you like it, tell your friends.

Thank you,  
Dwight H. Sherer

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