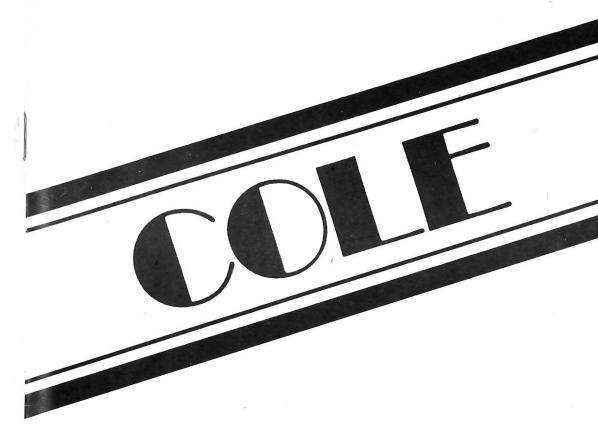
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Synopsis of Show

Cole Porter, as strange as it may seem, first opened his eyes on an America still in the Victorian era. Almost from the first he was a non-conformist and his distressed family shipped him away to school as soon as possible. Despite his family's wishes, he found love — in music. Always searching for acceptance, much of his music reflected the beauty and degradation of the prohibition era. In his later years his songs were fully appreciated in both Hollywood and Broadway.

Cole is an especially delightful revue because it not only entertwines his classic tunes with the not-so-familiar, but narration intersperses information and anecdotes that give you a close, warm feeling for this special man.

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The Director

Mary Lou Spain continues her 37 years in the entertainment business by stage-directing *Cole*. She finds musical revues especially challenging because there is no story line with which to develop characters as there is in "regular" plays. This year finds her balancing her D.L.O. vice-presidency with the presidency of the Illiana Civil War Historical Society and the Worship Directorship of Central Christian Church. In her "spare" time she speechifies and m.c.'s here and there.

Mary Lou Spain



Music Producer

Cole is Dan Miller's third directing stint with DANVILLE LIGHT OPERA, although his association with us began 13 years ago. Dan is very active in the community working as the Supervisor of Adult & Continuing Education at Danville Area Community College as well as performing with the Danville Woodwind Quintet and the Danville Symphony Orchestra. Dan is serving his third term as President of D.L.O. and also serves on the Executive Committee of the American Federation of Musicians, and is a director of the Danville area Arts Council. the Danville Municipal Band and serves on the Administrative Board of St. James Church. He is also the Fund Administrator of the Music Performance Trust Fund and is active on the Mayor's Committee to save the Grand Opera House.

Dan Miller



The Choreographer

Debbie Tucker

Debbie Tucker is a senior at Danville High and is very active at school and in the community. She is principal french hornist in the symphonic band, symphonic orchestra, pep band, brass band, and madrigal brass ensemble. She is also drum major of the marching band, president of the band council, and Valedictorian of her class. Debbie performs in the performing company at Faye's Dance Co. with Faye Willet and has been an assistant teacher of dance at the studio for several years. She performed in D.L.O.'s Wizard of Oz and The King and I.

On Stage.

Stanley Butts III is a newcomer to the D.L.O. stage but not to the organization. He directed the music for West Side Story in 1979. A graduate of the U. of I. School of Music, Stanley is a music teacher at East Park Middle School for the past 8 years. He also directs Purdue's Black Voices of Inspiration and the Young Adult choir at the Carter Metropolitan C.M.E. church in Danville. He is also the pianist and choir director at St. Luke's C.M.E. church in Champaign. Stanley appeared in productions of Tremonisha by Scott Joplin, Purlie, and Porgy and Bess.





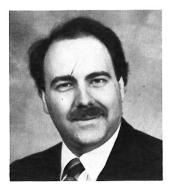
Amy Cole is no stranger to D.L.O. having appeared in our productions of *Camelot* and *Carousel*. Her other credits include *Little Night Music* and *L'il Abner* with the Bloomington Community Theatre. She will soon "retire" from the Solo Cup Company to "star" as a bride in a navy military wedding!

Darrin Deck, although much too young, looks as though he just stepped out of a Cole Porter musical! *Cole* marks his debut with D.L.O. but he's no stranger to the theatre. Having recently appeared in Red Mask's *Gingerbread Lady*, he's also "trod the boards" in *Grease, South Pacific* and *Bye, Bye, Birdie*. Appearing with him in many productions has been his wife Cyndi. They're looking for a long relationship with D.L.O.



This is **Ann McCurdy's** second production with Danville Light Opera. Her first show was Annie as the "Star To Be." Although this is her second production with D.L.O., this doesn't mean she's new on the stage. Ann has been involved in the theatre (on and off the stage) since she was 15 years old: with The Huron Playhouse, The Norwalk Towne & Country Players and college productions. Just recently Ann travelled with the International Tour group "Up With People" 1984-85, cast A. By the way, the group came to Danville in November 17, 1984. Ann is a Hanover College graduate with a major in communication and a minor in music. She is presently working at First National Bank in the Marketing Department.





After taking a short vacation from the D.L.O. stage, **Duane H. Prentice** is back to appear in his 17th show. He says his favorite role was Pseudalous in A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum. Duane broke from musicals last winter to appear as Curtis Appleby in Red Mask's Night Watch. Duane is a past President of D.L.O. for two terms and a current board member. A member of Central Christian Church he sings in the choir and is a deacon on the board. He is married to Carla (they met in D.L.O.) and they have one son, Christopher, who is 5.

This is **James Schomburg's** first D.L.O. show but he is a veteran singer. He is president of the choir at Lincoln United Methodist Church and sings in a gospel group. A contractor, we are pleased to introduce James to Danville theatre goers.

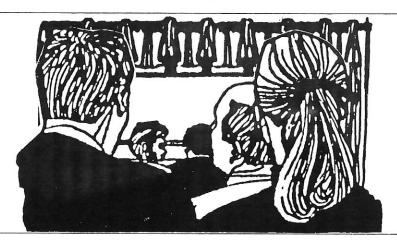


Though Cole is **Kathleen L. Spain's** first musical revue, it is far from her first connection with D.L.O. Since 1974, Kathleen has been involved in several aspects of theatre: choreography, musical directing, and performing. Some of her favorite roles include Guenevere in Camelot, Carrie Pepperidge in Carousel, and Sonia Walsh in They're Playing Our Song. Kathleen is a seventh grade teacher at East Park Middle School and enjoys being a free-lance calligrapher.





This is **Clif Wygant's** second D.L.O. production — he was "drafted" into *Annie*. Doing *Annie* brought back so many memories and the bug bit once again. He is married and has 2 children, Jon, 4, and Jennifer, who was born during rehearsal for *Cole*. Clif is a sales representative with Noble Ford and his hobbies vary from reading anything he can get his hands on, playing the trumpet, and singing.



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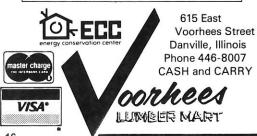
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