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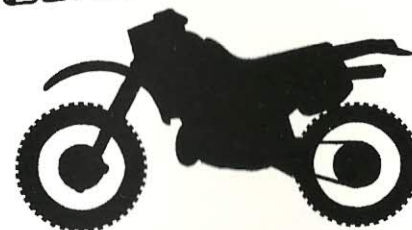
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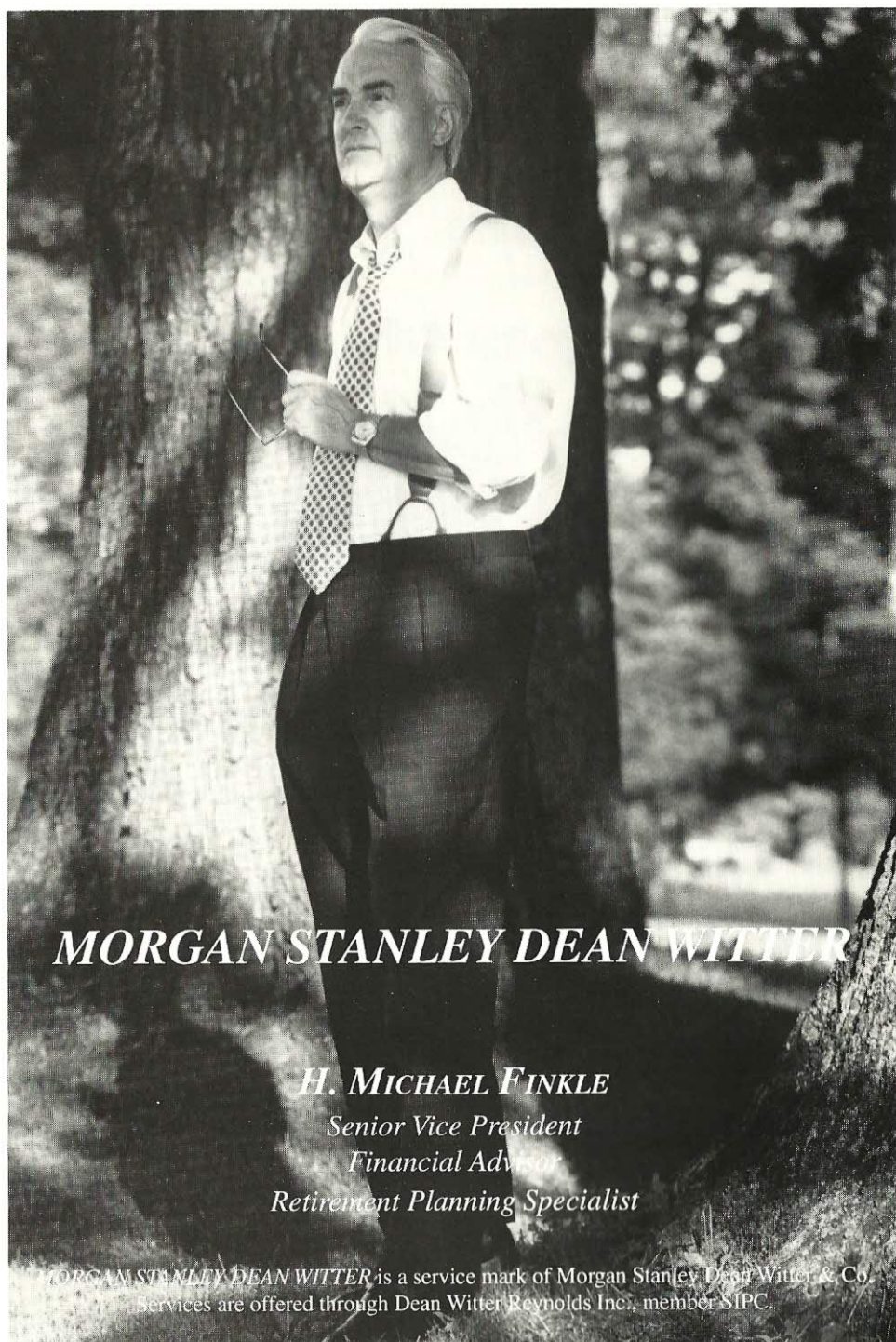
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Leader of the Pack

CAST

(in order of appearance)

Ellie Greenwich	Ann Soderstrom
Jeff Barry	Tom Harrigan
Darlene Love	Danita Morfey
Gus Sharkey	Mike Puhr
Annie	Barbara Bencomo
Shelly	Nikki Lewis
Mickey	Maria Hammer
Rosie	Amy Hegg
Pattie	Elissa Flynn
Lon	Dustin Wells
Peter	Ray Rybarczyk
Chris	Gavin Hamilton
Keith	Garrett Taylor
Gina	Becky Cravens

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Musical Director	David Schroeder
Producer	Ann Soderstrom
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Set Design	Jeff & Barbara Lewis, Laurel Soderstrom
Set Construction	Jeff & Barbara Lewis
Sound	Ron Soderstrom
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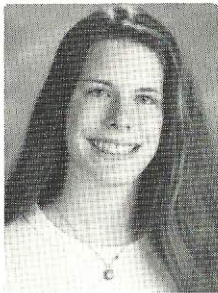


Biographies



Barbara Bencomo (Annie)

Barbara is pleased to be performing again for Danville Light Opera. She recently returned to Oakwood from National-Louis University, where she was a musical theatre major. She also appeared in DLO's *Annie Warbucks* last fall. Barbara would like to thank her parents for being "The Wind Beneath My Wings".



Becky Cravens (Gina)

This is Becky's third stage appearance for Danville Light Opera. She has also worked backstage for several productions. Becky is a junior at Danville High School, where she is a member of the DHS Drama Club, Speech Club, and Fine Arts Club. She would like to thank her family and friends for their patience and support.



Elissa Flynn (Pattie)

Elissa has performed in several Danville Light Opera productions. Her most recent appearance was in last spring's production of *Godspell*. She attends Bismark High School, where she participates in Pompettes, Band, and Scholastic Bowl. Elissa is currently studying jazz and ballet in addition to taking voice lessons.



Gavin Hamilton (Chris)

Gavin, a self-proclaimed celebrity, is pleased to be performing in his second show with Danville Light Opera. He was last seen two seasons ago in *Once Upon A Mattress*. Gavin is a 1997 graduate of Hoopeston High School. He is currently employed by The News-Gazette and Krupp Gerlach.



Maria Hammer (Mickey)

Maria is becoming a veteran with Danville Light Opera, where in the last 1 1/2 years she has worked backstage, produced, and appeared onstage. Maria currently serves as Vice-President of the DLO Board, and this is her second onstage appearance for DLO. Maria attends the U of I, majoring in Business Administration. She sends her love and thanks to her mom Nora, husband John, and children Chass, Colby, Megan and stepdaughter Erica.



Tom Harrigan (Jeff Berry)

Tom is enjoying being back onstage again for Danville Light Opera. He most recently appeared on the DLO stage as "Daddy Warbucks" in *Annie Warbucks*. He has also appeared with DLO in *Godspell* and *Pump Boys and Dinettes*, and at the Beef House Dinner Theatre in *Phantom of the Country Palace*, and as Nicely Johnson in *Guys and Dolls*. Tom is the Director of Bands at North Ridge Middle School.



Amy Hegg (Rosie)

Amy is thoroughly enjoying her second performance with Danville Light Opera. She was last seen onstage in *Blame It On The Movies*. Amy has been active in local theatre, in many facets, since she was a child. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for Danville Light Opera. Amy's "day job" is at CCX. Amy thanks her husband Cliff for his love and support.



Nikki Lewis (Shelley)

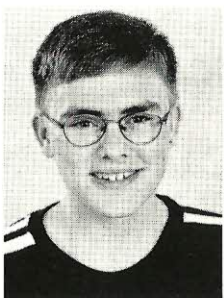
Nikki is a veteran of the DLO stage. Her first appearance was in the children's production of *Jack and the Giant*. Since then, she has been in six other DLO shows including her favorite role as Patty Simcox in *Grease*. Other performances include Red Mask, Catlin Blue Jazz Show choir, and church musicals. Nikki would like to thank her loving family for all their support through the years.

**Danity Morfey (Darlene Love)**

This marks Danita's 8th season with Danville Light Opera. She has served in many capacities including Stage Director, Producer, Hair/Make-up and many others. Her most recent performance was last season's *Blame It On The Movies*. To her fellow cast members: "It has been a blast" and to her family and co-workers: "Thanks for the support and I love you guys!"

**Mike Puhr (Gus Sharkey)**

This is Mike's first appearance with DLO, his last stage appearance being over 25 years ago at Schlarman High School. Mike is in charge of the grounds at Sunset Memorial Park and is active in the community with Sunrise Rotary, Habitat for Humanity and Leadership Danville. Mike is married to Joann and has three children; Christopher and twins Andrea and Andrew. He thanks his wife for suggesting he audition for this show. It has been a wonderful experience.

**Ray Rybarczyk (Peter)**

Ray is proud to be back onstage enjoying another Danville Light Opera production. He has appeared in several other DLO shows, including *Fiddler On The Roof*, *Charlotte's Web*, and most recently, *Annie Warbucks*. Ray is a student at Catlin High School. He would like to thank his family and friends for their support and transportation.

**Dave Schroeder (Music Director)**

David has been active in music in the Danville community all his life. He directs the Danville Municipal Band during the summer months, and is a member of the Danville Symphony Orchestra. David currently serves as Director of Music at Trinity Lutheran School. He dedicates this show to the memory of his mother, Sally Schroeder, who was a tremendous influence in his musical career.

**Ann Soderstrom (Ellie Greenwich/Producer)**

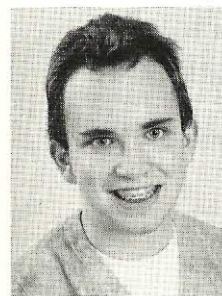
Ann was last seen in Danville Light Opera's production of *Godspell*. Also last season, she was music director for *Blame it on the Movies*. Some of Ann's favorite roles include: Red Mask's *Crimes of the Heart*, and Danville Light Opera's productions of *Once Upon A Mattress*, *Jerry's Girls* and *Grease*. Ann would like to thank her husband Ron, and her 3 little tax deductions....Robert, Ronald, and the newest member of the family Ryan, for all their love and support!

**Laurel Soderstrom (Choreography/Director)**

Laurel is no stranger to DLO, having been involved in many capacities for over 18 years, including both backstage and onstage roles. She is also a Past President of the Board of Directors. Laurel's first love is choreography, but she is enjoying her additional role as stage director for this production. She thanks the cast for being open to new and different types of dancing; they have been wonderful. Laurel is in her seventh year as owner and operator of The Laurel School of Dance.

**Garrett Taylor (Keith)**

Garrett was last seen on the Danville Light Opera stage during the 1997-98 season in *Blame It On The Movies*, and as Motel, the tailor, in *Fiddler On The Roof*. He has been active with Red Mask, DLO, and the Beef House Dinner Theatre. Garrett has aspirations of working on Broadway, and would like to thank his family and friends for their support.

**Dustin Wells (Lon)**

Dustin has been active in local community theatre since his first unforgettable performance as High Sheriff Dum-Dum in DLO's children's show *Jack and the Giant*. He has appeared onstage many times for DLO and Red Mask. Dustin is a freshman at Catlin High School, and is active in church. He would like to thank God and his parents for their love and support.



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1958 <i>New Moon</i> <i>Show Boat</i>	1970 <i>Bells Are Ringing</i>
1959 <i>Naughty Marietta</i> <i>Oklahoma</i>	1971 <i>Hello, Dolly!</i> <i>Fiddler on the Roof</i>
1960 <i>Of Thee I Sing</i> <i>South Pacific</i>	1972 <i>Mame</i> <i>The Unsinkable Molly Brown</i>
1961 <i>Red Mill</i> <i>Annie Get Your Gun</i>	1973 <i>Funny Girl</i> <i>Take Me Along</i>
1962 <i>Desert Song</i> <i>Carousel</i>	1974 <i>Two by Two</i> <i>South Pacific</i>
1963 <i>The Music Man</i> <i>Kismet</i>	1975 <i>Applause</i> <i>Gypsy</i>
1964 <i>Calamity Jane</i> <i>The Sound of Music</i>	1976 <i>My Fair Lady</i> <i>Oliver</i>
1965 <i>The Pajama Game</i> <i>The King and I</i>	1977 <i>The Music Man</i> <i>Annie Get Your Gun</i>
1966 <i>The Student Prince</i> <i>Camelot</i>	1978 <i>Carousel</i> <i>Once Upon a Mattress</i>
1967 <i>Guys and Dolls</i> <i>Li'l Abner</i>	1979 <i>Sugar</i> <i>West Side Story</i> (continued)

1980 <i>The King and I</i> <i>The Sound of Music</i>	1992 <i>The All Night Strut</i> <i>Nunsense</i> <i>Meet Me in St. Louis</i>
1981 <i>A Funny Thing Happened</i> <i>on the Way to the Forum</i> <i>The Unsinkable Molly Brown</i> <i>The Wizard of Oz(children's show)</i>	1993 <i>The Butler Did It, Singing</i> <i>Man of La Mancha(with DSO</i> <i>and Sunshine II)</i> <i>Two By Two</i> <i>Jack and the Giant(children's</i> <i>show)</i>
1982 <i>The Pajama Game</i> <i>Camelot</i> <i>Hans Christian Anderson(children's</i> <i>show)</i>	1994 <i>Nunsense II</i> <i>Two by Two</i> <i>Oliver</i>
1983 <i>Oh, Coward</i> <i>How to Succeed in Business</i> <i>Without Really Trying</i> <i>They're Playing Our Song</i>	1995 <i>Rodgers and Hart: A Celebration</i> <i>You're A Good Man Charlie Brown</i> <i>Dames at Sea</i> <i>The Little Mermaid(children's show)</i>
1984 <i>I Do, I Do</i> <i>Damn Yankees</i> <i>Shenandoah</i>	1996 <i>Jerry's Girls</i> <i>Annie</i> <i>Grease</i>
1985 <i>Some Enchanted Evening</i> <i>Anything Goes</i> <i>Annie</i>	1997 <i>Smoke on the Mountain</i> <i>Once Upon a Mattress</i> <i>Fiddler on the Roof</i> <i>The Ranson of Red Chief</i> <i>(children's show)</i>
1986 <i>Cole</i> <i>Where's Charlie?</i> <i>Bye Bye Birdie</i>	1998 <i>Blame It On The Movies</i> <i>Godspell</i> <i>Charlotte's Web (children's show)</i> <i>Annie Warbucks</i>
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1989 <i>1940's Radio Hour</i> <i>Do Black Patent Leather</i> <i>Shoes Really Reflect Up?</i> <i>Seven Brides for Seven Brothers</i>	
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