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COMING ATTRACTIONS

Red Mask presents: "Ordinary People"
November 6-8, 13-15, & 20-21, 1992

Vermilion Festival Chorus Concert: "Music of Faith"
November 7, 1992

Gregory's Academy of the Arts presents: "A Christmas Carol"
November 12-14, 1992

Danville Symphony Orchestra Concert: "To Russia, With Love"
November 14, 1992

Auditions for "The Butler Did It, Singing" — DLO Upstage
December

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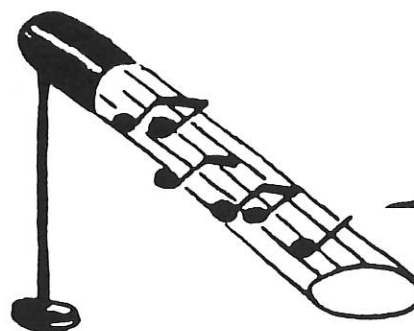
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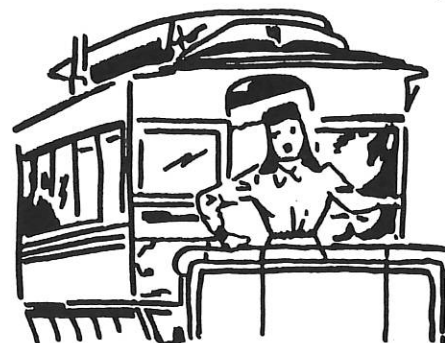
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Danville Light Opera presents...

Meet Me In St. Louis

clang! clang! clang! went the Trolley!



Book by Sally Benson

Music and lyrics by Hugh Martin and Ralph Blane

Based on the Kensington Stories by Sally Benson
and the MGM motion picture "Meet Me in St. Louis"

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DACC Theatre

PRODUCTION STAFF

Drama Director Gregory Duckett
Music Director Kevin Latoz
Choreographer (Dance) Mary Simpson
(Musical Staging) Tamara Patterson
Producer Nancy Henderson
Stage Manager Martha Foster
Set Design/Construction Duane Carlton
Trolley Design/Construction Sonny Downing, Larry Finley
Lights Warren Frank, Ed Devore
Sound Tom Ramage
Costumes Nancy Henderson, Gregory Duckett, Cast
Props David Parrish
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MUSICIANS

Rehearsal Pianist/Keyboards Marilyn Horton
Keyboards Kevin Latoz

CAST

(In Order of Appearance)

Grandpa Prophater Larry L. Finley
Tootie Smith Amber Suzanne Hays
Agnes Smith Rachel Foster
Katie (Smith family cook) Josia L. Miller
Mr. Smith Ron McDaniel
Mrs. Smith Alice Downing
Lon Smith Roger Biggs
Rose Smith Tamara Patterson
Esther Smith Angie Hinkle
Douglas Moore David Woodrow
Lucille Ballard Cheri Helregel
John Truitt Darren Dunavan
Frank Jesse Pierce
Gregory Andy Downing
Chet John Howard
Dr. Bond Gary Lickfett

Ensemble:

Kari Darding	Michele Marken	Dale Van Duyn
Charlee Huber	Robert Reinhart	Janice Van Duyn
Erica Huber	Ian Rose	Rachael Van Duyn
Bobbi Hynes	Meghan Rose	Samantha Van Duyn
Lindsay Hynes	Kathleen Spain-Swiersz	Michelle Wright

SCENES AND MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT ONE

Scene 1: Skinner Swamp. Bare and muddy. Before anything has been erected for the Fair. Early spring.
“Meet Me in St. Louis” Entire Ensemble and Smith Family
“Meet Me in St. Louis” (Reprise) Tootie
Scene 2: Smith’s backyard. Early spring.
“The Boy Next Door” Esther
Scene 3: Later that day.
“Almost” Rose and Douglas
Scene 4: The Smith’s backyard. Late summer. Honeysuckle in bloom.
Scene 5: The Smith’s backyard. For party. Early fall.
“Skip to My Lou” Lucille, Lon and Chorus
“Over the Banister” Esther and John
“You Are for Loving” John
Scene 6: The Smith’s backyard. Before Christmas.
“A Raving Beauty” Rose and Douglas
“Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas” Esther

ACT TWO

Scene 1: The Trolley to the Fairgrounds.
“The Trolley Song” Esther and Ensemble
Scene 2: Skinner Swamp. In front of the half-finished gates to Fairgrounds.
“What’s His Name” Lucille
Scene 3: Skinner Swamp. There is still mud. Inside the Fairgrounds.
“If I Had an Igloo” Lon
Scene 4: Skinner Swamp
“Diamonds in the Starlight” John
Scene 5: The Smith’s backyard — April.
“You Are for Loving” (Reprise) Esther and John
Scene 6: On the way to the Fair.
“The Trolley Song” (Reprise) Chorus
Scene 7: At the Fair — On a balcony overlooking the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.
Finale — “Meet Me in St. Louis” (Reprise) Company

MEET THE CAST

ROGER BIGGS (Lon Smith) — Roger is appearing in his first DLO show. At Georgetown High School he was involved in the Drama Club and performed in numerous plays. Roger works at Victorian Rose.

ALICE DOWNING (Mrs. Smith) — This production marks Alice’s third on-stage performance with DLO as well as numerous backstage positions. Alice also has appeared with Red Mask in “The Importance of Being Ernest” and Gregory’s Academy of the Arts, as one of the Pidgeon sisters. A homemaker, she and her husband, Dave, have a supportive cast of four children and one grandchild.

DARREN DUNAVAN (John Truitt) — Darren is making his debut on the DLO stage. You may remember him as “one of the boys” in Sunshine II’s “Big River”. When not rehearsing, Darren attends DACC and works as an Assistant Manager at Wendy’s.

LARRY L. FINLEY (Grandpa Prophater) — Larry enjoys the light-hearted singing and fun that has been the theme for most of the shows in which he has appeared. He has performed in several (he forgot how many) since his first DLO show, “Damn Yankees”, in 1984.

RACHEL FOSTER (Agnes Smith) — Involved with Red Mask Children’s Theatre and school plays at St. Paul, Rachel is appearing in her first DLO show. She has won numerous first place awards for her dance, baton, and modeling. She is in the 6th grade and is a cheerleader at St. Paul.

AMBER SUZANNE HAYS (Tootie Smith) — This is Amber’s first appearance for DLO, but she has performed on stage with the Tulsa Ballet in “The Nutcracker” at Krannert Center in Champaign. She has won many awards in both dance and vocal. Amber is the 9 year old daughter of Larry and Beverly Hays and is in the 4th grade at Oakwood Grade School.

CHERI HELREGEL (Lucille Ballard) — Cheri is returning to the DLO stage for the third time, following “Seven Brides for Seven Brothers” and “Singin’ in the Rain”. When not performing, she assists with costumes. Cheri works at Yale Materials Handling, is owner of Precious Memories Discount Bridal Service, and lives in Oakwood with her husband, Mark, and 2 year old daughter, Nicole.

ANGIE HINKLE (Esther Smith) — This will mark Angie’s sixth DLO production, having last appeared in “My One and Only”. She graduated from Bismarck-Henning High School and is currently attending DACC. She appreciates the encouragement and support from her boyfriend, Greg, her one and only “boy next door”.

RON McDANIEL (Mr. Smith) — Ron is appearing in his 30th DLO show. Last season he was R. F. Simpson in “Singin’ in the Rain”. In addition to acting, Ron has also directed for both DLO and Red Mask. He is Vice President — Editorial of Interstate Publishers, Inc.

JOSIA L. MILLER (Katie) — This is Josia’s second production for DLO, having previously appeared in “The Music Man”. She is active in her church and enjoys spending time with her family.

TAMARA PATTERSON (Rose Smith) — Although this is her first production with DLO, Tammi is no stranger to the stage. She started performing at age 4 and has been seen in several Sunshine II productions, including “Godspell”, “The Sound of Music” and “Into the Woods”.

DAVID WOODROW (Douglas Moore) — David performed in “The Music Man” for DLO and in “Big River” for Sunshine II. He is a choir member at Covington High School and works at V103-WCDV radio.