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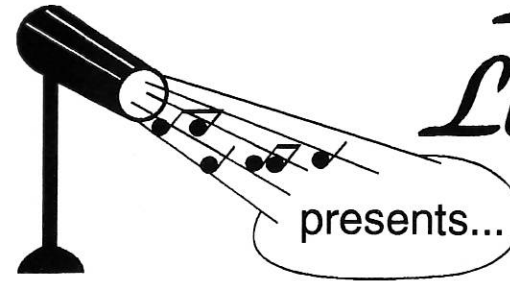
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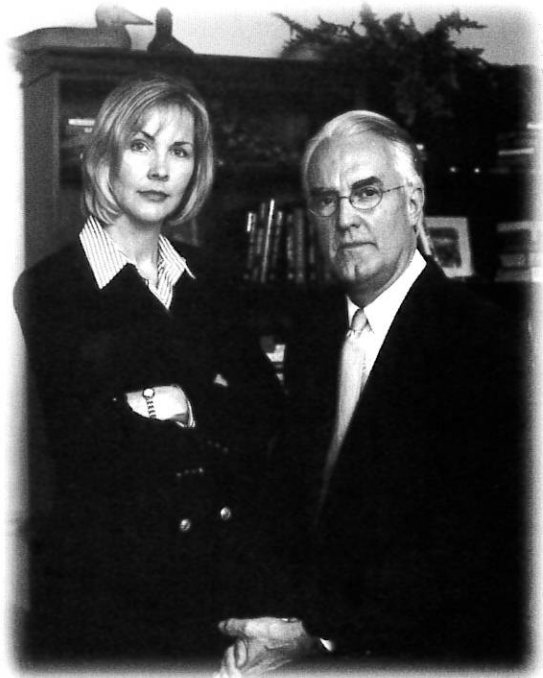
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**School House Rock Live!**

CAST

Jami Curtis

Nancy Livingston

Brad Pollert

Tom Shedlock

Ann Soderstrom

Scott Turner



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## *Letter from the President*

First things first: Welcome to the show!

I am very excited about the performance you're about to see. I have very fond memories of School House Rock from my childhood. How many of us that went to school in the 70's and 80's (yeah, yeah--I'm showing my age) learned a lot of academia from this Saturday morning staple? How many of us had the Preamble song running through our heads as we labored over learning the Constitution? Surely I can't be the only one! I hope this show brings back memories for you as well.

As I write this, Danville Light Opera is in the process of making some very important decisions---decisions that will affect you, our patrons. As I have mentioned in previous newsletter articles, DLO has been looking for a new home. We have a possibility we are considering, but we need your input. Please take a moment to fill out the small paper inserted in this program. There is a box at the back of the theatre where you can place this opinion poll card at intermission. You, our audience, are our life blood--we don't want to make such an important decision without giving you a chance to speak. Thank you in advance for your time in doing this.

Well, I think I've rambled on enough. Let's turn down the house lights, open up the curtain, and ENTERTAIN YOU! Enjoy the show!!

Amy Hegg, President  
Danville Light Opera

## Musical Numbers

### Act One

Verb: That's What's Happening  
A Noun Is a Person, Place, Or Thing  
Three Is A Magic Number  
Mother Necessity  
Sufferin' Till Suffrage  
Lolly, Lolly, Lolly  
Unpack Your Adjectives  
Just A Bill  
The Preamble  
Ready Or Not, Here I Come  
Do The Circulation  
Rufus Xavier Sarsaparilla

### Act Two

Figure Eight  
A Victim Of Gravity  
Zero, My Hero  
Conjunction Juntion  
Great American Melting Pot  
Elbow Room  
Interplanet Janet  
Interjections  
The Tale Of Mr. Morton

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# Biographies



## Jami Curtis - Cast

School House Rock is Jami's first primary role for DLO, though she's been involved in numerous productions over the last several years. By day, she is an Auditor for Profit Recovery Group and by night, mother to Alex and Nicholas. She would like to thank the cast and crew for their encouragement and her friends and family for their support.



## Nancy Livingston - Cast

Nancy is pleased to return to the stage for School House Rock. She has performed in several DLO and Red Mask productions. Although, Nancy loves the stage, her favorite performance has been as mother to her three children and recently, grandmother to her beautiful granddaughter, Julie. Special thanks to her family, friends, and Brian Lawlyes for their support, love and unending patience.



## Danita Morfey - Director

This is Danita's eleventh season with Danville Light Opera. She has served in various capacities for this organization including being a current member of the Board of Directors. She is pleased to finally see this show on the Danville stage. "I hope everyone enjoys this production and remembers those carefree days when we all looked forward to Saturday morning cartoons."



## Brad Pollert - Cast

Born and raised in Seymour, Indiana, Brad arrived in Danville in 1976. He is active in his church choir at Trinity Lutheran Church and also sings with the Vermilion Festival Chorus. Brand and his wife, Linda, own and operate Service Termite and Pest Control. They have three children and 2 grandchildren. He would like to dedicate his performance to the memory of this mother, Doris.



## David Schroeder - Music Director

David is proud to be part of this DLO production. He is active in the Danville Arts Community as manager of the Danville Symphony, Music Director of the Danville Municipal Band, and Assistant Director of the Vermilion Festival Chorus. David's musical home is Danville Lutheran School and Trinity Lutheran Church.



## Tom Shedlock - Cast

Tom is looking forward to his first performance with DLO. A versatile karaoke singer, he likes singing popsongs from the 60's. Tom was chairman and emcee for the "Gala Karaoke" fundraisers the last two years. When he is not singing, Tom works as a supervisor of government and export administration at NMHG. He would like to thank his wife, Patty, and son, Jeff, for their support.



## Ann Soderstrom - Cast

Ann just finished co-directing DLO's *Forever Plaid* and was very pleased with it's success. She was last seen in DLO's *Leader Of The Pack* as Ellie. Ann is currently on the DLO Board as Vice President and is running for re-election. She would like to thank Ron, her husband, and her three little angels, Robbie, Ronnie, & Ryan, for their support.



## Ron Soderstrom - Producer

This is the 2nd time he has produced for DLO. Ron has also directed for Red Mask and the DHS Players. Ron is a Community Policing/Elder Service Officer for the Danville Police Department. He wishes to thank his lovely wife Ann, and his boys, Robbie, Ronnie, Ryan and Sherlock & Watson for their understanding and support ( nuff said Donna!).



## Scott Turner - Cast

School House Rock marks Scott's first DLO production but he is no stranger to the stage. While at Northridge Middle School, Scott performed in *Meet Me in St. Louis*, *Cinderella*, and *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown*. Scott has also worked with Red Mask Children's Theatre and with the Danville High School Delegation. "Thanks to my family and delegation friends for all their support."



## Melissa Westphal - Stage Manager

Melissa is no newcomer to musical theatre. She has been a Choral Director and Drama Director for the past nine years both in the Quad Cities (Iowa), Oakwood, and Danville. Most recently, Melissa was seen in DLO's production, *State Fair*. Melissa is on the DLO Board of Directors and hopes to be a part of many more productions.

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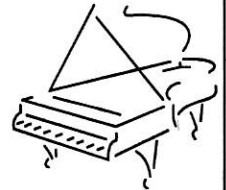
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