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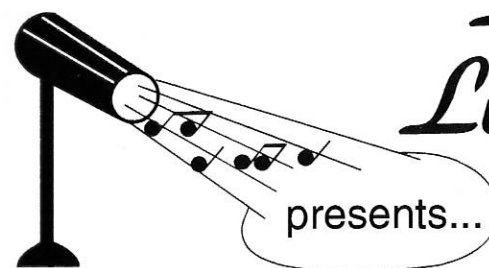
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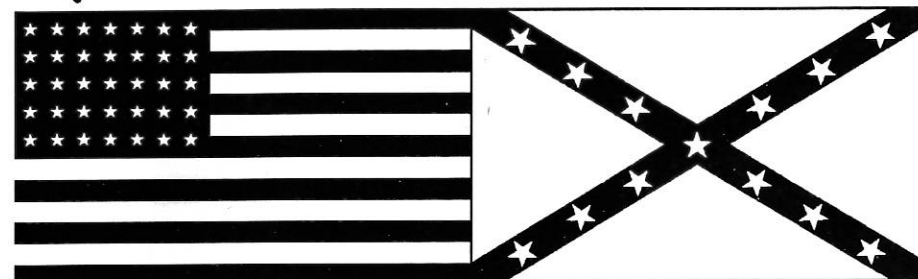
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# SHENANDOAH

CAST  
(in order of appearance)

Charlie Anderson .....	Robert Scott
Jacob Anderson .....	Jeff Spann
James Anderson.....	Anthony Roach
Nathan Anderson .....	Johnny Howard
John Anderson.....	Alex Bates
Jenny Anderson .....	Katie Oreskovich
Henry Anderson .....	Nathan Koniecski
Robert (The Boy).....	Dalton Halls
Anne Anderson.....	Annie Roach
Gabriel.....	Ron Eberhardt
Reverend Byrd .....	Ron McDaniel
Sam.....	Bryan Schroeder
Sergeant Johnson.....	Joe Sermersheim
Lieutenant.....	Wilbur Bolton
Tinkham .....	Larry Weatherford
Carol .....	Jim Gilmour
Corporal.....	Tom Harrigan
Marauder .....	Eugene Bencomo
Engineer .....	Henry Hunt
Confederate Sniper .....	Erick Henderson
Confederate Soldier .....	Michael Hull
The Ensemble:	
Eric Bailey, Sheldon Bates, Emily Bencomo, Emily Hofmann, Debbie Kelly, Robert McIntire, Cindy Nichols, John Lashbrook, Gene Owen, Thomas Prall, Amanda Pratt, Robin Romack, Diane Schultz, Belinda Smith, Lauren Smith, Marilyn Smith, Rhea Ann Weatherford, Julia Swiersz, Madeline Swiersz, Kade Spann, Sissy Romack	

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## Musical Numbers

### PROLOGUE

Raise the Flag of Dixie

### ACT ONE

I've Heard It All Before  
Pass The Cross To Me  
Why Am I Me?  
Next To Lovin' (I Like Fightin')  
Over The Hill  
The Pickers Are Comin'  
Next To Lovin'  
Meditation  
We Make a Beautiful Pair  
Violets and Silverbells  
It's A Boy

### ACT TWO

Freedom  
Violets and Silverbells  
Papa's Gonna Make It Alright  
The Only Home I Know  
Papa's Gonna Make It Alright  
Meditation  
Pass The Cross To Me

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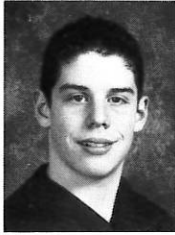
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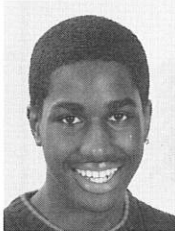


# Biographies



## Alex Bates (John Anderson)

This is Alex's debut with Danville Light Opera but he is no stranger to the stage, having appeared in musicals at Holy Family and North Ridge Middle School. He is also a member of the band and Redcoats show choir at North Ridge. Alex is an 8<sup>th</sup> grader at North Ridge where he is a member of the National Junior Honor Society, Builders Club and Student Council. Alex also plays baseball and football. He thanks his family and friends for their support.



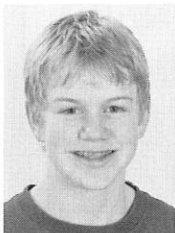
## Ron Eberhardt (Gabriel)

This show is Ron's debut with DLO. He is in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at South View Middle School where he is a member of Encore show choir. He is also a South View Peer Mediator and serves as president of the South View Student Advisory Board. Ron is active in many dance activities including the DHA Summer Celebration and the Chicago Budd Billican parades. His love is the performing arts, especially dance, which he hopes to make his profession some day.



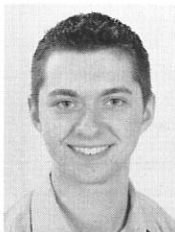
## Gaye Garner (Stage Manager)

This is Gaye's second stint as stage manager for DLO, her first taking place during the 80's. Since then she has been in the chorus, helped backstage and directed for DLO, as well as worked in many capacities for Red Mask Players. Gaye says "the most fun a person can have is in Danville community theatre!" She thanks Kathleen, cast and crew for a great time and a wonderful show. Gaye's "real" job is Assistant State's Attorney and "mom" to poodle Katie.



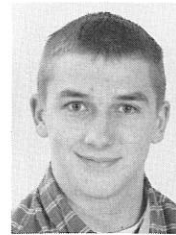
## Dalton Halls (Robert (The Boy) Anderson)

*Shenandoah* is Dalton's first regular season show with Danville Light Opera, but he has appeared in several of the children's shows. He was also part of the cast of *Sound of Music* with the Danville Symphony Orchestra last spring, and has appeared in three Beef House Dinner Theatre shows. Dalton is an eighth grader at Bismark where he plays basketball. Dalton also takes dance lessons and is active in his church youth group.



## Johnny Howard (Nathan Anderson)

A former DLO award winner at South View Middle School, Johnny is a junior at Danville High School where he is a member of Delegation Show Choir and Local History Club. *Shenandoah* is Johnny's second show with DLO. He has also appeared with Red Mask Children's Theater and with the Danville Symphony Orchestra in *Sound of Music*. Johnny thanks his family and friends who have supported him all through his music career.



## Nathan Konieczki (Henry Anderson)

*Shenandoah* is Nathan's first show with Danville Light Opera. He has previously appeared in a play at St Paul's school and was recently part of the cast for one of DLO's murder mysteries. He is a freshman at Schlarman High School where he participates in football and basketball. Nathan also enjoys playing golf. He sends thanks to his family for all their support, and also to the cast of *Shenandoah*, who have been "great fun to work with".



## Ron McDaniel (Reverend Byrd)

Ron is happy to return to the stage at DHS, where he did his first DLO show, more than 40 years ago. Ron has also appeared in both Red Mask and Beef House Dinner Theatre productions and has directed for DLO and Red Mask. He just completed a term on the Theatre Advisory Panel of the Illinois Arts Council and is Vice President of the Danville Area Arts Council. Away from the theatre, Ron edits high school textbooks and related educational materials.



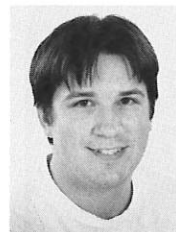
## Katie Oreskovich (Jenny Anderson)

A senior at Westville High School, Katie plays with the band, jazz band, and sings in the choir. She is also Student Council president and the Dance Team and Girl's track captain. Katie has appeared onstage at the Beef House Dinner Theatre as well as with Danville Light Opera. She is a member of the Illinois All-State Honors Choir and plays violin with the Danville Symphony Orchestra. Katie plans to attend Northwestern University next fall.



## Annie Roach (Anne Anderson)

*Shenandoah* is Annie's second show for DLO this season, having also appeared in last fall's production of *Sugar*. She has participated in two DLO murder mysteries and several productions at the Community Theatre of Terre Haute and the Performing Arts Workshop. Annie works as a teller at First Midwest bank and sends special thanks to her husband for agreeing to do a second musical with her this season.



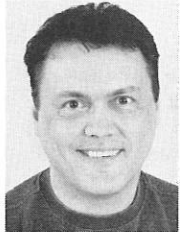
## Anthony Roach (James Anderson)

An engineer at CCL Custom Manufacturing, Anthony's interest in the theatre was encouraged by his wife. His first appearance on stage was in Danville Light Opera's production of *Sugar* last fall, when he played the part of Joe. He thanks his wife Annie for her patience and also wants to thank his new-found friends at Danville Light Opera for their support and encouragement in his new endeavor.



**Bryan Schroeder (Sam)**

Bryan has been busy teaching and coaching at Hoopston Middle School in the year since he first appeared onstage with DLO in last season's *The World Goes Round*. He says that wonderful cast is responsible (or to blame?) for his return in *Shenandoah*. Bryan has also appeared in some of DLO's Murder Mysteries during the past year. He extends special thanks to his "life lights", daughters Sarah and Alyson, who just love "that Christmas song" Violets & Silverbells.



**Robert Scott (Charlie Anderson)**

Bob last appeared onstage in Red Mask's *One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest* in the role of Chief Bromden. Over the years, Bob has appeared with the Red Mask Players, Danville Light Opera, Station Theatre, Beef House Dinner Theatre, and the Champaign-Urbana Theater Company. Bob is happy to have worked with such a talented cast and crew and would like to thank his wife, Donna, for her love and support.



**Jeff Spann (Jacob Anderson)**

This production of *Shenandoah* is Jeff's second time around, having appeared in Danville Light Opera's 1984 production. He has also been in 20 other DLO shows, as well as appearing in shows for Red Mask and Gregory's Academy of the Arts. Jeff has also been involved with Special Olympics and is the manager of an on-campus grocery store at the U of I. He sends thanks to his wife and children for allowing him to "relive a bit of my past".



**Kathleen Spain-Swiersz (Director)**

Kathleen has been involved with DLO since 1974, serving in many capacities, including directing a number of shows. In 1984 Kathleen was music director/choreographer for *Shenandoah*, alongside her mother, who was drama director. She teaches 3<sup>rd</sup> grade at Southwest Elementary. Kathleen appreciates the generosity of her husband, Mike, and has enjoyed working with her two lovely daughters. She dedicates this show to her mother, Mary Lou Spain.

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Emily Bencomo

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Eugene  
Bencomo,  
Thomas Prall,  
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Not available for pictures: Tom Harrigan, Debbie Kelly, Amanda Pratt, Kade Spann

## Production Staff

Director/Music Director/Choreographer .....Kathleen Spain-Swiersz  
 Stage Manager .....Gaye Garner  
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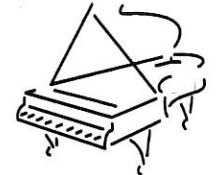
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