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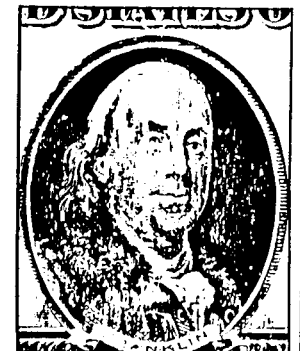
We are about to make a very big change that will need the continued support of our loyal patrons and subscribers. Grove Players has existed for all these years without a space that we can call "home". We would like to start the 90's off by moving into a permanent location. This is going to be a very large undertaking and we will need your understanding and support. Any suggestions or advice to help guide us in our plans is welcome.

Grove Players continues to thrive because of you, the theater goer. I assure you we will continue to present the same quality entertainment you have come to associate with Grove Players.

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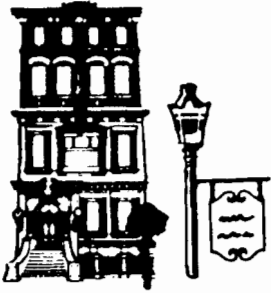


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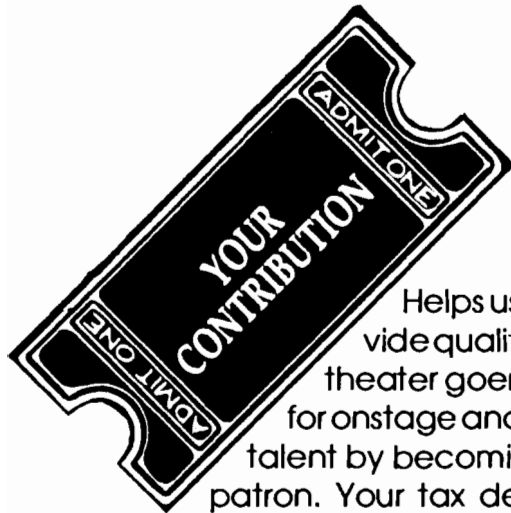
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Chiffon ..... Lovetta Aleatha Verdele Cobb

Crystal ..... Karen Bronson

Ronnette ..... Deidra Lynn Waldon

Mushnik ..... Dan Murphy

Audrey ..... Jody Vogel

Seymour ..... Thomas Manfredini

Orin, Bernstein, Snip,

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(Voice) ..... Francis Valach

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## MUSICAL NUMBERS

### Act I

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS .....Crystal, Ronnette, Chiffon  
DOWNTOWN (SKID ROW) .....Company  
DA-DOO .....Seymour, Girls  
GROW FOR ME ..... Seymour  
DON'T IT GO TO SHOW YA NEVER KNOW ..... Mushnik,  
Seymour, Girls  
SOMEWHERE THAT'S GREEN ..... Audrey  
CLOSED FOR RENOVATION ..... Mushnik, Seymour,  
Audrey  
DENTIST! ..... Orin, Girls  
MUSHNIK AND SON ..... Mushnik, Seymour  
GIT IT ..... Seymour and the Plant  
NOW (IT'S JUST THE GAS) ..... Orin, Seymour

### ACT II

CALL BACK IN THE MORNING ..... Audrey, Seymour  
SUDDENLY SEYMOUR ..... Seymour, Audrey and Girls  
SUPPERTIME ..... The Plant  
THE MEEK SHALL INHERIT ..... Seymour, Orin, Girls  
SUPPERTIME (REPRISE) ..... The Plant  
SOMEWHERE THAT'S GREEN (REPRISE) ..... Audrey  
FINALE (DON'T FEED THE PLANTS) ..... Company

There will be one fifteen minute intermission  
Refreshments will be served in the lobby

Please, no flash photography during the performance

# PROFILES

**FRANK J. DEL GIUDICE** (Director) Although this is Frank's first production with Grove Players, his previous experience includes directing more than 35 shows. He has directed for Lake Lawn Lodge, Delavan WI; Des Plaines Theatre Guild; Southern Lakes Repertory Theatre Company at the Belfry Theatre; Northern Illinois University; Jubilee Players; Theatre on the Mount; MPPD Theatre; Cutter Hall and The Lions Den. In addition to directing, he has appeared in productions at numerous Chicagoland theaters, including Goodman Theatre; Drury Lane Childrens Theatre; Kings Manor, Royal Castle and Kings Hall Dinner Theatre; Allan Theatre; Lions Den Theatre and Westhoff Theatre. His technical experience includes set design for Drury Lane South as well as stage managing for Goodman Theatre. He has written two childrens shows and two musicals and is a talented musician, playing several instruments. Frank has a B.S. in acting/directing from ISU and an MFA in directing from NIU. He resides in Rolling Meadows.

**CHARLEST. HAYES** (Musical Director) This is Charles' fourth production with Grove Players, having previously been musical director for "Gypsy", "The Fantasticks" and "On Blue Mountain." He has been musical director and/or accompanist for productions at the Katherine Dunham Theatre, Kennedy King College; Bethel Performing Arts Center in Evergreen Park and the Quad City Music Guild in Moline. He is currently music instructor at Senn Metropolitan Academy in Chicago as well as part-time director and accompanist for Chicago Children's Choir, Chatham Fields Lutheran Church and the Congregational Church of Park Manor. Charles has a B.M. in Music Education from Cornell College of Iowa and an M.A. in Music and Choral Conducting from the University of Iowa.

**LISA GREALISH** (Choreographer) Another newcomer to Grove Players, Lisa is also a multi-talented individual. She recently choreographed "Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?", was Assistant Choreographer and member of the ensemble for "The Mystery of Edwin Drood" and is currently directing "The Emperor's New Clothes", all for the Des Plaines Theatre Guild. She has been involved in community theater for eleven years. Lisa is a special education teacher at Buffalo Grove High School.

**TRACY VONDEROHE** (Assistant Director) Tracy is at home on either side of the curtain. She was also A.D. for last year's musical, "On Blue Mountain", and has filled many other technical positions, including props and sound. She has been on stage for Grove Players in the parts of Ann in "All My Sons", Stella in "The Uninvited", member of the ensemble for "Dining Room" and in the chorus for "Gypsy" and "Follies". Tracy resides in Downers Grove, is currently Vice President of Grove Players and works in the research department of a loop investment firm.

**MICHAEL BREWER** (Audrey II Manipulator) Mike is another member of Grove Players who is equally at home on either side of the curtain. He has appeared in "Dracula" as Wesley, "Arsenic and Old Lace" as Officer O'Hara, "Harvey" as Dwayne Wilson, "The Uninvited" as Dr. Scott, in "Treasure Island" and "The Ugly Duckling" for Children's Theatre, and, most recently, in the role of Charlie Baker in "The Foreigner". When not on stage, he has been a valuable crew member in numerous capacities, including stage managing. His theatrical training includes a summer workshop with Second City. Mike and his wife, Marcia, reside in Villa Park. He works as a Corporate Travel Agent with IVI Travel and is presently on the Board of Directors for Grove Players.

**KAREN BRONSON** (Crystal) Karen is another active member of Grove Players, having appeared in all three productions of last year's season. She played Jenny Fletcher in "On Blue Mountain", Sally in "Pack of Lies" and Carnelle in "The Miss Firecracker Contest". She also appeared on GP's stage as Princess Winifred in "Once Upon a Mattress" and Evelyn in "Close Ties". Elsewhere, Karen has played Birdie in "Little Foxes" for Village Players, Oak Park; Reno Sweeney in "Anything Goes" for St. James Productions, Arlington Heights; Sue Bayliss in "All My Sons" for JCL Productions, Chicago; and, most recently, as Eve in "Waiting for the Parade" for Ides of March Productions, Chicago. She attended high school in California before coming to Illinois State University as a theater major. She has studied voice with the Georgette Riems Studio and acting with Ides of March Studio in Chicago.

**STEVE CALZARETTA** (Orin) This is Steve's first appearance with Grove Players, but he is certainly no newcomer to the stage. He has appeared in "The Mystery of Edwin Drood" and "Diary of Anne Frank" for the Des Plaines Theatre Guild, "The Rainmaker" and "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at Winona State University, "Gypsy" at Harper College and in "Anything Goes" and an original musical with the professional company, Music on Stage, Inc. He has also been in several high school productions, having received High School "Best Actor" award, High School "Vocal Music" award and I.H.S.A. "Best Actor" award, all in 1986. Steve's training includes dialect training and the study of voice, drama and dance. He resides in Arlington Heights.

**LOVETTA ALEATHA VERDELE COBB** (Chiffon) Lovetta, a resident of Chicago, is also a newcomer to Grove Players. She has previously performed at Chicago State University with Oscar Brown, Jr. Kicks and Company and is currently singing in several choirs including Voices of Resurrection, Trinity United Church of Christ. She has a B.S. in Occupational Therapy from Chicago State University and is currently an occupational therapist with Chicago Osteopathic Hospital.

**THOMAS MANFREDINI** (Seymour) Tom has been an active member of Grove Players for more than four years, currently serving as the group's treasurer. He produced last season's musical, "On Blue Mountain" and was assistant director for "The Fantasticks". On stage, he has appeared in Grove Players' productions of "Follies" and "Gypsy" and has been seen in other musicals for Ad Hoc and Oak Park Village Players. Tom resides in Lombard and is Regional Controller for EESCO, Inc.

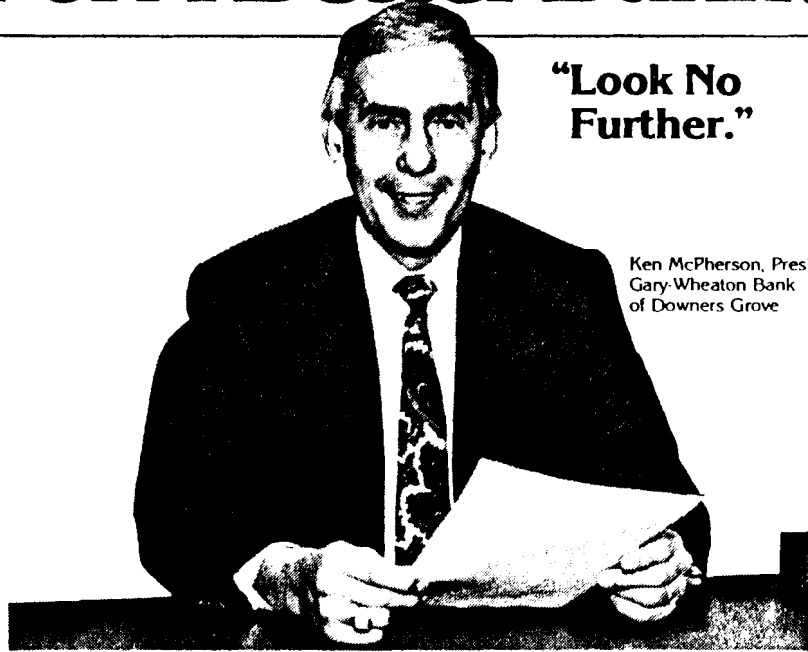
**DAN MURPHY** (Mr. Mushnik) Another talented newcomer to our stage, Dan has previously appeared in the roles of Eddie Ryan in "Funny Girl" and Dr. Finsdale in "Lil Abner" for the Beverly Theatre Guild; Charlie Davenport in "Annie Get Your Gun" for the Beverly Hills University Club; in "Godspell" with the 83rd Street Players and "A Chorus Line" with The Drama Group and as Rusty Charlie in "Guys and Dolls" at The Sabre Room. When not performing theatrically, he plays sax and sings with a band called "Chick". He graduated from Northern University with a B.S. in Computer Science. Dan resides in Berwyn.

**FRANCIS VALACH** (Audrey II Voice) Frank, a Darien resident, has become well known to Grove Players' audiences. He appeared in all three productions of our 1986-87 season, played the role of Ellard in "The Foreigner" during our 1987-88 season and was Jan the Narrator in "On Blue Mountain" and Mac Sam in "The Miss Firecracker Contest" for our 1988-89 season. This is his second production of this season, having been seen earlier this year in "You Can't Take It With You". He has also been in GP's productions of "Follies", "The Uninvited" and "The Dining Room". He has also played the role of Raul in "Extremities" in Chicago and Dr. John Sherman in "E/R, Emergency Room" at the College of DuPage.

**JODY VOGEL** (Audrey) Jody joins this production having previously appeared as Adelaide in "Guys and Dolls", Bet in "Oliver", Sarah in "Playboy of the Western World", Sasha in "The Sandcastle" and in the company of "Roar of the Grease Paint" and "Candide". She currently sings at the Royal Castle Dinner Theatre. Jody has a degree in theatre from Illinois State University and resides in LaGrange Park.

**DEIDRA LYNN WALDON** (Ronnette) A Chicago resident, Deidra is also a member of the Resurrection Choir and is very excited about the fact that they will be touring Europe this summer and will sing in Sweden, Norway and Leningrad. Her theatrical experience includes the chorus of "Hair" at Western Illinois University Theatre and the role of Nell in "Ain't Misbehavin'". Last year she played the lead role of Nicky Love. She attended the Hyde Park Career Academy studying music and has a B.S. in Home Economics from Western Illinois University. Deidra is the proud single parent of a two-year old son, Marshall Lawrence Dennis.

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