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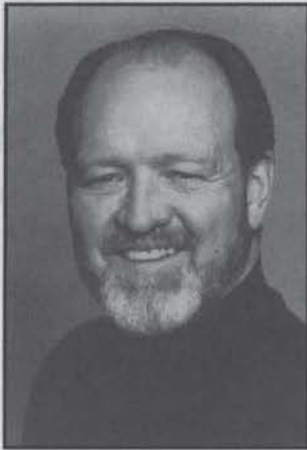
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Greetings From The Executive Director

Dear Patrons:

My how time flies...and I'm still having fun!!

This is the 19th summer season that Seth Reines and I have been associated with The Little Theatre On The Square. A lot has transpired during that time. The total number of season subscribers has doubled. More programming - annual Christmas show, fall and spring productions - has been added. Our Education Outreach program with in-house dance and drama classes and touring productions going out to area schools has been quite successful. We have acquired additional buildings for rehearsal space, company housing and technical production shops. And renovation of the theatre and construction of the new office building was completed in 2004.

Next year will mark the 50th summer season in the history of The Little Theatre On The Square. We are planning a great celebration and will keep you posted as events are developed.

We still have plenty of seats that can be "adopted" to help pay for capital improvements. If you have not adopted a seat, please see page 7 of this booklet for more information.

We hope you enjoy the production you are about to see!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leonard A. Anderson".

Leonard A. Anderson
Executive Director

Leonard became Executive Director of The Little Theatre On The Square on January 1, 1988 after having served as Managing Director of The Black Hills Playhouse in Custer State Park, South Dakota from January 1976 through May of 1987. Prior to that, he was the Business Manager of Theatre Tulsa in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Leonard earned his Bachelor of Fine Arts and Master of Arts degrees in theatre from the University of South Dakota and a Master of Fine Arts degree in Arts Administration from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. He is originally from St. Joseph, Missouri and served as a combat infantry platoon leader in Vietnam in 1967. Mr. Anderson currently serves on the Board of Directors for the National Alliance for Musical Theatre.

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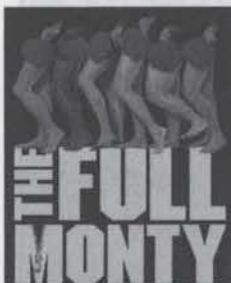
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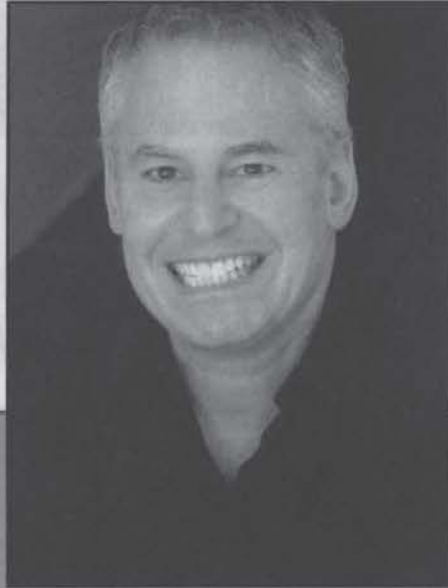
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M. Seth Reines

Artistic Director

M. Seth Reines, Artistic Producer of Broadway Palm Arizona, is delighted to return to Little Theatre for his 19th season as Artistic Director. He has directed over 400 productions for stage and public television, including national tours of *Sunday in the Park with George* and *South Pacific*, working with such stars as Emily Loesser, Angela Lansbury, Chita Rivera, Oprah, Leslie Uggams, Jerry Herman, Tom Wopat and Peter Allen.

Seth staged the world premieres of *Monky Business*, *Magic Place* and *Body Parts*; the American revivals of *The Red Mill* and *Knickerbocker Holiday*; the American premiere of *Anne of Green Gables*; the Midwestern premiere of *Closer Than Ever* and the West Coast premieres of *Victor/Victoria* and *Ragtime*. This fall Seth will direct national tours of *The Full Monty* and *My Fair Lady*.

Winner of Cleveland Drama Critics and San Francisco Drama Logue awards, Seth is one of the creators of the musical comedy *Monky Business*, which opened at Galveston's Grand Opera House in 1995 and has now played in over 300 cities around the world.

Seth is excited to be a part of Little Theatre's 49th season, working with this enormously talented company of old and new friends. He wishes to dedicate his work to the memory of Dr. Mervin Reines, his father and inspiration.

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Most importantly, we hope you will continue to attend our productions and tell your friends about The Little Theatre On The Square!



Performance Company Profiles



Nathan Albert

Nathan Albert, originally from Chicago, is thrilled to make his debut at The Little Theatre On The Square after spending eight months performing in numerous shows at the Broadway Palm West Dinner Theatre in Arizona. There, he was seen as Mordred in *Camelot*, Harry the Horse in *Guys and Dolls*, and as Nick Arnstein in *Funny Girl*, among others. Additional favorite roles include Gaston in *Beauty and the Beast*, Joe/Josephine in *Sugar*, Feste in *Twelfth Night* and performing *The Compleat Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)*. He holds a B.F.A. in Musical Theatre Performance from Rockford College. Nathan would like to thank his family for their support and love, Seth, JR, and Beth for such opportunities, and God. Let it go!



Melody A. Betts

Melody A. Betts gratefully debuts at The Little Theatre On The Square after her first year as a graduate (actor) student at Western Illinois University. This past year she has been cast as Ama in *Mud, River, Stone*, Mejra in *The Monument* and Madame Arcati in Noel Coward's *Bliithe Spirit*. She was nominated to compete for the Irene Ryan Scholarship at the American Collegiate Theater Festival for the latter role. Some of Ms. Betts' favorite roles played include Margaret Alexander in *Amen Corner*, Acid Queen in *TOMMY the musical* and Clytemnestra in *Agamemnon*. She not only pursues acting as a career but singing and writing as well. Melody's first writing venture, *Sand In Your Crack*, was performed this past April at WIU's B.Y.O.P. production. Melody credits God for any success that may happen to come her way and expresses her everlasting gratitude to her patient and wonderful family for their love and support.



Matthew Chmiel

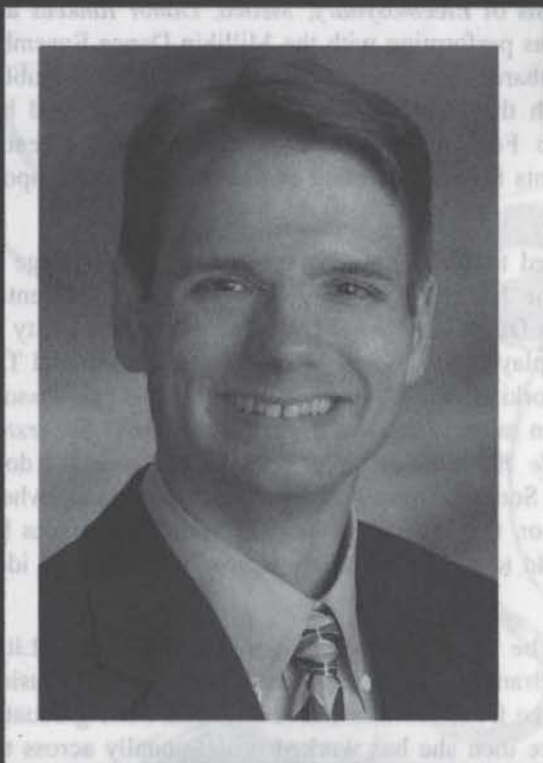
Matt is a senior at Arthur High School where he is a member of the National Honor Society and is involved in both music and drama. He has studied dance and drama with The Little Theatre's S.T.A.R. "Students' Theatre Arts Reach" program since his 7th grade year. As a student Matt has appeared in *Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr.*, *Once On This Island Jr.* and most recently as Jafar in Disney's *Aladdin Jr.* His last performance in summer theatre was in *Oliver* and he is very excited about returning to LTOTS this summer as the purser in *Anything Goes*. He would like to thank the staff at Arthur High School for their support in allowing him time off to do what he loves best, his family for always being there for him and a special thanks to Ms. Marie and all of his instructors, without them he wouldn't be here.



Ghuon "Max" Chung

Ghuon "Max" Chung excitedly makes his Little Theatre On The Square debut in *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. He played Judas in *Godspell* (Phoenix Ascending Theatre), Constantine in *A Day In Hollywood/A Night In the Ukraine* (Illinois Theatre Center), Ito in *Mame* (Marriott-Lincolnshire Theatre and Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre), Louis and Dennis in *Sunday in the Park With George* (Pegasus Players), Uncle Pleasant in *Orpheus Descending* (The Artistic Home), Samuel in *The Pirates of Penzance* (Light Opera Works) and lastly in the ensemble of Ravinia Festival's *Anyone Can Whistle*. He is the voice of Chang Wong in the audio books of the *Left Behind* series and is a member of Actors' Equity. Love and thanks go out to his family and friends.

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Barbie Diewald

Barbie Diewald is delighted to be making her Little Theatre debut this season. Originally from Bolingbrook, IL, she is pursuing her BFA in Musical Theatre and dance minor from Millikin University. Recently, she has appeared in productions of *Eleemosynary*, *Medea*, *Damn Yankees* and *Trouble in Tahiti*, as well as performing with the Millikin Dance Ensemble and participating in a Cabaret performance in the Dominican Republic. She teaches ballet through the Millikin Preparatory Department and has danced with the Chicago Festival Ballet and Midwest Ballet Theatre. Special thanks to her parents for their constant encouragement and support.



C.K. Edwards

C.K. Edwards feels blessed to make his first appearance on the stage of The Little Theatre On The Square. He's truly pumped about this entire summer's season. Back in December he graduated from the University of Oklahoma, where he has played Mr. Magix in *My One and Only* and The Proprietor in *Assassins*. Working with Lyric Theatre for the last two seasons he has played bit roles in such shows as *Aida*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Chess* and *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas*. He has recently done *Smokey Joe's Cafe* with Sooner Theatre of Norman, Oklahoma, where he played the role of Victor. C.K. is also proud to claim that he owes his initiation into the tap world to the late Gregory Hines, his childhood idol.



Ann Ehnes

Ann Ehnes is thrilled to be returning for another summer at The Little Theatre. Originally from Brandon, Manitoba, Ann holds a BFA in musical theatre and a minor in dance from Millikin University where she graduated with honors in 2004. Since then she has worked professionally across the midwest, as well as in New York and, most recently, in productions of *Oklahoma!* and *Funny Girl* in Arizona. In addition to performing, Ann enjoys teaching, choreographing, as well as playing piano and French horn. She is also an avid Red Sox fan. Thank you to Seth and my family!



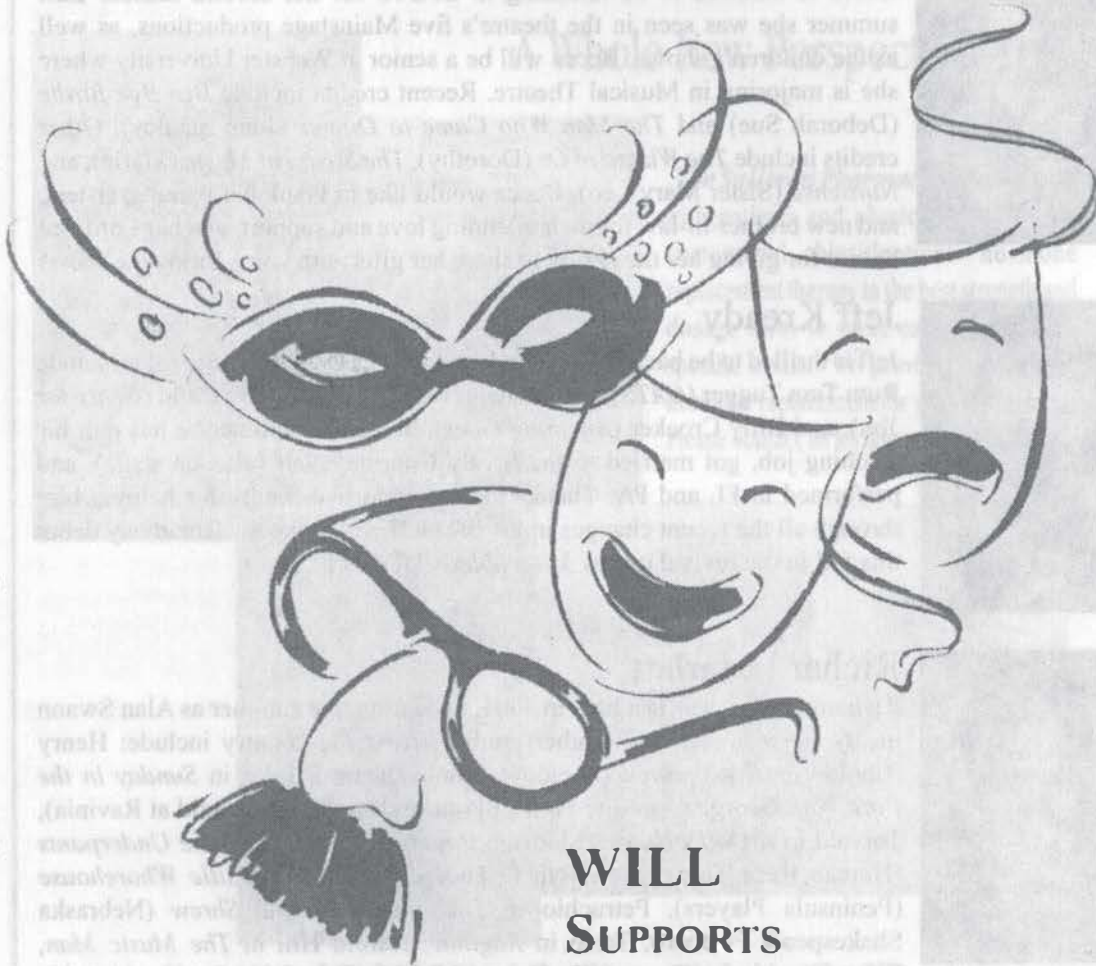
Klinton Gibbons

Klinton Gibbons is happy to return to the stage of The Little Theatre On The Square this summer in *The Full Monty*. You might have seen Klint on stage last summer in *Joseph...Dreamcoat*, *Once On This Island Jr.* or in Disney's *Aladdin Jr.* Klint attends Jr. High school in Lovington, IL and has a dream to be a performer on Broadway.



Glory Kissel

Ms. Kissel (Mrs. Harcourt, Jeanette Bermeister) is thrilled to be making her first appearance at The Little Theatre On The Square. She has recently appeared as Cerimon in Mary Zimmerman's production of *Pericles* at The Goodman. Previously she resided in Nashville. Nashville credits include *Romeo and Juliet*, the world premiere of *Francis of Guernica*, *The Widow's Best Friend* and *Annie*. Chicago credits include *Over The River And Through The Woods* at Theatre at the Center, as well as 303 performances at the Mercury Theatre. Other Chicago credits include the 2004 Chicago Humanities Festival, *Musical Comedy Murders of 1940* at Drury Lane Oakbrook and *Anyone Can Whistle* at Ravinia in 2005. Film credits include *Existo* and *Darwin's Dream*. Television credits include the pilot *Carter Raye*.



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Rebecca Kloha

Becca is honored to be returning to LTOTS for her second season. Last summer she was seen in the theatre's five Mainstage productions, as well as the children's shows. Becca will be a senior at Webster University where she is majoring in Musical Theatre. Recent credits include *Bye Bye Birdie* (Deborah Sue) and *The Man Who Came to Dinner* (June Stanley). Other credits include *The Wizard of Oz* (Dorothy), *The Sound of Music* (Maria), and *Nunsense* (Sister Mary Leo). Becca would like to thank her parents, sisters, and new brother-in-law for their unending love and support; and her Lord and Savior for giving her the ability to share her gifts with you – Enjoy the show!



Jeff Kready

Jeff is thrilled to be back for a second season at LTOTS! Favorite roles include Rum Tum Tugger (*CATS*), Billy Lawlor (*42nd Street*), Bobby Child (*Crazy for You*), and Billy Crocker (*Anything Goes*). Since last summer he has quit his teaching job, got married to the lovely Courtney Self (also on stage), and performed in FL and PA. Thanks to his supportive family for helping him through all the recent changes in his life. Jeff will make his Broadway debut this fall in the revival of *Les Miserables*. 1JOHN 3:23



Richard Marlatt

Richard Marlatt was last here in 2001, appearing that summer as Alan Swann in *My Favorite Year*. His other credits across the country include: Henry Ribolow in *Syncopation* (Meadow Brook Theatre), Jules in *Sunday in the Park With George* (opposite Patti LuPone and Audra McDonald at Ravinia), Torvald in *A Doll's House* (Madison Repertory), Versati in *The Underpants* (Human Race Theatre), Melvin P. Thorpe in *The Best Little Whorehouse* (Peninsula Players), Petruchio in *The Taming of the Shrew* (Nebraska Shakespeare Festival), Tateh in *Ragtime*, Harold Hill in *The Music Man*, Falstaff in *Merry Wives of Windsor*, and Don Quixote in *Man of La Mancha*. He's also played Hamlet, Scrooge and Dracula, has toured coast-to-coast, and has worked with The Goodman, Actors Theatre of Louisville, First Folio Shakespeare Festival, Marriott Theatre, Boarshead Theatre, Michigan Opera Theatre and Drury Lane. Richard is a Company Member with Shaw Chicago, an Associate Artist at Chicago Dramatists, and has a Fine Arts Degree as an Actor and Director. He's trained in London at The Royal National Theatre and in New York at The National Shakespeare Conservatory, and is a proud member of Actors' Equity.



Patrick McCarthy

Patrick McCarthy has been part of the LTOTS family since 1988, and has appeared onstage here 20 times over 10 seasons and directed 16 shows. His favorite roles at LTOTS include Scrooge in *Christmas Carol*, Bernie Buxbaum/Mrs. Eggleston in *Little Me*, Crisparkle in *Drood*, Dr. Colonel in *Grand Hotel*, and Spettigue in *Where's Charley*. Other regional appearances include Friar Lawrence in *Romeo & Juliet*, Parolles in *All's Well That Ends Well*, Antonio in *Much Ado About Nothing*, Dad in *The Sum of Us*, Jack in *The Weir*, Ruth in *The Pirates of Penzance*, and Brian in *Joe Egg*. He is currently making a career out of appearing as Caldwell B. Cladwell in *Urinetown! The Musical* when he is not directing regional productions of the very funny show about a future time when water becomes scarce and private toilets become unthinkable.

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Amy Lyn McDonald

Amy Lyn is thrilled to return to Sullivan, where she was last seen as Gertrude in *Seussical* and Claudia in *Nine*. West Coast credits: Kathy Selden/*Singin' in the Rain*, Flora/*Phantom*, *Sound of Music*, *Joseph*, *Victor/Victoria* and Larry Fuller's *Evita* (American Music Theatre-San Jose); Claire/*On the Town* (Foothill Music Theatre); *Ruby/Dames at Sea* (California Conservatory Theatre). Chicago companies: Marriott Theatre – Lincolnshire, Drury Lane – Oakbrook, Chicago Shakespeare Theatre, Theatre at the Center. With her M.F.A. in Dance from University of Illinois, she has enjoyed college dance instruction: De Anza College, Notre Dame de Namur University, Illinois Wesleyan, College of Lake County, and currently Lake Forest College and Elmhurst College. Thanks to Seth and Leonard for this wonderful opportunity, and love to Mom, Dad, Tom and all of her family!!



Christopher Moyer

Christopher Moyer was raised in Amish country, PA and enjoys cows, farm shows, and corn on the cob. Before his arrival to Sullivan, Chris spent the spring in AZ at the Broadway Palm with the talented cast of *Funny Girl*. He then spent a few weeks gallivanting around Pittsburgh with friends while also playing Rolf in *The Sound of Music*. Other favorite shows include *A Chorus Line*, *Candide*, *Blood Brothers*, *Evita* and *Miss Saigon*. Much of his artistic inspiration is due to the guidance of mentors Natalie Baker-Shirer, Grammy winner Robert Page, Metropolitan Opera singer Douglas Ahlstedt, and choreographers Chet Walker and Buddy Thompson. B.F.A. Carnegie Mellon. He sends his love to family and friends and a special thank you to Seth and Leonard for this exciting summer.



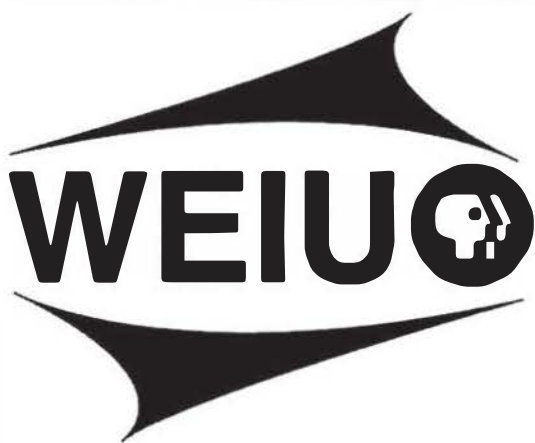
Drew Nellessen

Drew is thrilled to be back at The Little Theatre for a second summer. He is a Junior Musical Theatre Major and Dance Minor at Millikin University. His favorite Millikin credits include Oscar in *Sweet Charity*, Captain Albert Lennox in *The Secret Garden*, and most recently, Jerry/Daphne in *Sugar! the Musical*. At The Little Theatre, you might have recognized him as Judah in *Joseph...Dreamcoat*, Mendel/Bottle Dancer in *Fiddler on the Roof*, and ensemble in *42nd Street*, *Swing* and *Beauty and the Beast*. Other credits include Wagon Wheel Theatre, Six Flags Themeparks and a cabaret show in the Dominican Republic. He dedicates this summer to his mother, cancer free and living it up!!! Love to family and friends.



Lee Ann Payne

Lee Ann is thrilled to make her professional debut at The Little Theatre On The Square. After earning her MFA in Musical Theatre from San Diego State University, she has been fortunate to perform roles such as Annie in *Annie Get Your Gun*, Babe in *The Pajama Game*, Reno in *Anything Goes*, Maria in *The Sound of Music*, Ilo, Hilda and Genevieve in the New York debut of *Mother Wove the Morning*, as well as narrator in *Peter and the Wolf* at Lincoln Center. Seth and Marie - I can't thank you enough. Love to Mom. Dedicated to Dad.



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Elizabeth Pugh

Elizabeth is thrilled to be returning to The Little Theatre On The Square with her roles in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* and *Anything Goes*. She has been seen previously on The Little Theatre stage in *The Magic of Christmas*, *42nd Street*, *Swing!*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Hello, Dolly!*, *Honk!*, *Annie*, *The Sound of Music*, *An Old Fashioned Christmas*, *It's Always Time for Christmas*, *Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr.*, *Music Man Jr.* and *Once On This Island Jr.* This past April she had the honor of playing Jasmine in the spring production of Disney's *Aladdin Jr.* She recently graduated from Mattoon High School where she has been president of her class and involved in student council for the past four years. She will be attending Millikin University in the fall with a major in Musical Theatre and a minor in dance. Elizabeth wants to thank Ms. Marie for being her friend and mentor for the past nine years. Elizabeth also wants to thank her family for always encouraging her to "Reach for the Stars!" Enjoy the show!



Lindsay Ayn Ray

A Sullivan native, Lindsay returned to her hometown after graduating from The American Musical and Dramatic Academy in New York City. Lindsay previously appeared at The Little Theatre in *Oklahoma!* and *The Pirates of Penzance*. In New York, Lindsay was a featured performer in numerous showcases, including *Witches of Eastwick* (Sukie), *Charlie Girl* (Charlie), *Savage In Limbo* (April) and *Proof* (Catherine). Lindsay will be returning to New York this fall to pursue her dream of becoming a Broadway Diva! Thanks to Mom, Dad, Nana, Granny and Aunt Mika for their undying love and support. Peace and enjoy the show!



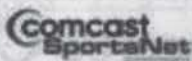
Courtney Self

Courtney is excited to be back at The Little Theatre for the second summer in a row. She just finished playing Erma in *Anything Goes* at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre and Jennyanydots in *Cats* at the Broadway Palm. When not at the theatre this summer, Courtney will be found at the gym or at Sister's eating the sweet potato chips. Favorite roles include Gladys in *The Pajama Game*, Peter in *Peter Pan*, Anytime Annie in *42nd Street* and Val in *A Chorus Line*. Courtney is originally from Topeka, KS and graduated from The Hartt School with a BFA in Music Theatre.



Nathaniel Shaw

Nathaniel is thrilled to be returning to Sullivan, and is extremely grateful to Leonard and Seth for making it happen. Nathaniel was previously seen at The Little Theatre as Ren in *Footloose*, Ephraim in *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*, and a strange little hunchback in *Jekyll and Hyde*. He has also been seen regionally as Jesus in *Godspell*, Younger Brother in *Ragtime*, Cable in *South Pacific*, Riff in *West Side Story* and the Emcee in *Cabaret*. Nathaniel spent the last three years dancing with the internationally renowned Paul Taylor Dance Company. He wants to thank his incredible family and the love of his life, Parisa Khobdeh, for the undying love and support.

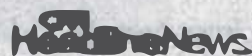


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Performance Company Profiles



Sharon Slaughter

Sharon happily returns to the Little Theatre stage following a successful year as an itinerant adapted PE teacher. Over the years she has appeared in numerous LTOTS mainstage and children's shows and was proud to be a part of LTOTS' first S.T.A.R. touring group. Some of her favorite roles have included Lady Brockhurst in *The Boyfriend*, Miss Watson & the Strange Lady in *Big River*, Maude Dunlop in *The Music Man*, Bagheera in *The Jungle Book*, and Hilda in *Accidental Friends*. Sharon resides in Sullivan with her family. When not acting or teaching PE, she teaches music at Sullivan Preschool, sings and plays guitar with the burgeoning folk trio of Sharon, Steve & Tony, and works on completion of a CD of original music. Her life is full, and she is happy.



Lauran Stanis

Lauran Stanis, originally from Plano, TX, is thrilled to be back for another summer at The Little Theatre On The Square. You may...or may not remember her as the sexy dancer in *Swing*, or a tap dancing cow in *Jack and the Beanstalk*. Lauran admits to missing the prairie and all the friends she made while working in the S.T.A.R. program last year! Since her appearance last summer she has been seen at Broadway Palm West as Bubbles in *Funny Girl* and also at The Show Palace Dinner Theatre as Ginger in *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas* and in their Christmas show. Lauran holds a BFA in Musical Theatre from Millikin University. Lauran sends love to her family back in Texas and is so happy to be back!



Ryan Strand

Ryan is a recent graduate of the College-Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati with a BFA in Musical Theatre. He is delighted to be back at LTOTS after a one summer hiatus, where he has been seen as Jack Chesney in *Where's Charley*, Erik in *Grand Hotel*, Roger in *Grease*, and Ali Hakim in *Oklahoma!* At school he was seen as Homer Collins in *Floyd Collins*, Buddy Foster in *Side Show* and Ralph Werner in *Working*, among others, as well as being a featured guest performer with the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra and the Cincinnati Men's Chorus. Ryan will become a new member of Actors' Equity this summer and looks forward to becoming a starring actor!



Michelle Suzanne Valenti

Michelle Valenti is thrilled to be coming back for her second summer season at The Little Theatre On The Square! She has previously been seen on the LTOTS stage in *42nd Street*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Once On This Island Jr.*, *Music Man Jr.*, and *Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr.* Michelle has just completed her freshman year as a BFA Musical Theatre Major at Millikin University. There, she was seen in *Cinderella*, *Cinderella* as the evil stepsister Cecily and in *Multi* as the potty deprived Just Little. Michelle is originally from Effingham, IL and would like to thank her family, Ms. Marie, and her close friends for always believing in her. Enjoy the show!



Michael Walker

Michael Walker is very excited to be working at The Little Theatre On The Square. National Tour: *Seussical The Musical* (Horton) NYC: *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* (Princess Puffer), *The Bourgeois Gentleman* (Ensemble), *Snore* (Dave). Others: *Guy and Dolls* (Nathan Detroit & Nicely Nicely), *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown* (Charlie Brown), *Man of La Mancha* (Sancho), *The Rocky Horror Show* (Eddie), and *The Tempest* (Stephano). Special thanks to all of his family and friends. ROLL TIDE!



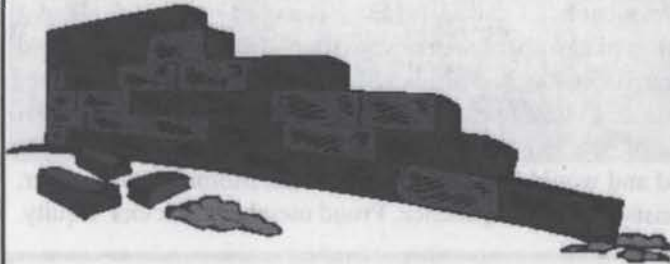
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Performance Company Profiles



Melissa Weaver

Melissa is thrilled to have the opportunity to perform on her hometown stage once again. *Thoroughly Modern Millie* will be her 10th show here at LTOTS. You may have previously seen her in *Annie*, *Wizard of Oz*, *An Old Fashioned Christmas*, *Snow White*, *Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr.*, *Once On This Island Jr.*, *42nd Street*, *Fiddler on the Roof* (Sphrintze), and most recently in Disney's *Aladdin Jr.* (Iago). Cheerleading, show choir, a competition dance team, and maintaining a 4.0 GPA will keep her very busy next year as a sophomore at Sullivan High School. Melissa spends the rest of her little free time being a teacher assistant and taking numerous dance classes through the theatre's dance program. She would like to send a big thank you to Ms. Marie for always being there, encouraging, and showing her the way to stardom!



Jason Yau

Current New York resident but a native Texan, Jason is excited to be playing this role with this talented cast. North American Tour: *Miss Saigon* – directed by Broadway's Mitchell Lemsky and Shidan Majidi. Select Regional Theatre: *Big River*, *Crazy for You*, *Evita*, *Hair*, *Annie Get Your Gun*, *Hello, Dolly!*, *West Side Story*. Bachelor of Arts in Music from the University of Texas. He gives all the praise to God and would like to thank his Baba, Mommy and brother, Philbert for their constant love and patience. Proud member of Actors' Equity.

www.jason-yau.com



Jillian Nyhan Zygo

Jillian Nyhan Zygo is honored to be working with Seth Reines again and performing at The Little Theatre. Jill has been traveling all over the country for the past year playing Ado Annie on the *Oklahoma!* National tour, but left her gypsy lifestyle behind to play Fanny Brice in *Funny Girl* at the Broadway Palm in Mesa, AZ. This proud native New Yorker would like to thank her amazing husband for his constant love and encouragement!

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J. Michael Zygo

A Rochester, NY native, this SUNY Geneseo graduate is proud to be making his Little Theatre debut. Most recently, he was seen as Will Parker in the 1st National Tour of *Oklahoma!* where he was fortunate to play opposite his beautiful wife Jill as Ado Annie. Mike would like to thank Seth for giving him the opportunity to work with his wife again! Thanks to God for all the wonderful blessings in his life. Thanks also to his infinitely supportive family and his amazing wife. "I don't know where I'd be without you!" www.thezygos.com Mike also has aspirations of becoming a world famous country singer. He currently has a full band album of original music (co-written/performed with Harold Barnard II) available for purchase at www.zygoandthedeuce.com, or from Mike personally.



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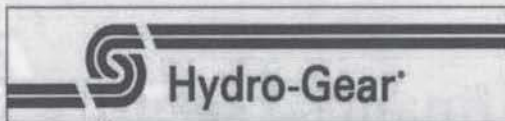
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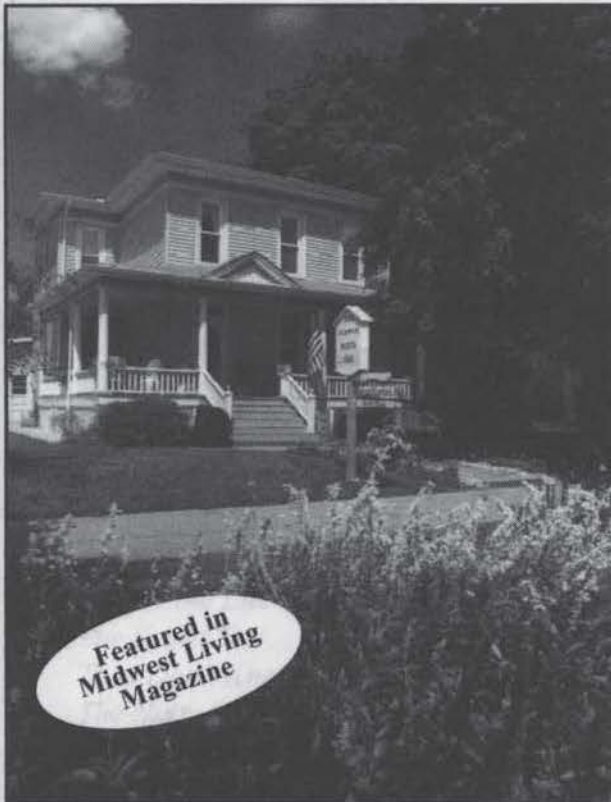
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Millie Dillmount	Amy Lyn McDonald*
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Miss Dorothy Brown.....	Rebecca Kloha
Ching Ho.....	Ghuon "Max" Chung*
Bun Foo.....	Jason Yau*
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Mr. Trevor Graydon.....	Nathan Albert
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Ruth.....	Ann Ehnes
Rita.....	Lauran Stanis
Alice.....	Elizabeth Pugh
Gloria	Barbie Diewald
Lucille	Melissa Weaver
Muzzy's Boys.....	C.K. Edwards, Christopher Moyer, Drew Nellessen, Ryan Strand
Ensemble.....	Barbie Diewald, C.K. Edwards, Ann Ehnes, Christopher Moyer, Drew Nellessen, Elizabeth Pugh, Courtney Self, Lauran Stanis, Ryan Strand, Melissa Weaver

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Thoroughly Modern Millie

Musical Numbers

ACT ONE

<i>Not for the Life of Me</i>	Millie
<i>Thoroughly Modern Millie</i>	Millie, Moderns
<i>How the Other Half Lives</i>	Millie, Miss Dorothy
<i>Not for the Life of Me (Reprise)</i>	Ching Ho, Bun Foo
<i>The Speed Test</i>	Trevor, Millie, Miss Flannery, Ensemble
<i>They Don't Know</i>	Mrs. Meers
<i>The Nutty Cracker Suite</i>	Jimmy, Millie, Miss Dorothy, Ensemble
<i>What Do I Need With Love</i>	Jimmy
<i>Only in New York</i>	Muzzy
<i>Jimmy</i>	Millie

15 minute Intermission

ACT TWO

<i>Forget About the Boy</i>	Millie, Miss Flannery, Ensemble
<i>Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life!</i> <i>I'm Falling in Love with Someone</i>	Trevor, Miss Dorothy
<i>I Turned the Corner</i>	Jimmy, Millie
<i>Falling in Love (Reprise)</i>	Millie, Jimmy, Trevor, Miss Dorothy
<i>Muquin</i>	Mrs. Meers, Bun Foo, Ching Ho
<i>Long as I'm Here with You</i>	Muzzy, Millie, Muzzy's Boys
<i>Gimme Gimme</i>	Millie
<i>The Speed Test (Reprise)</i>	Millie, Trevor, Muzzy, Jimmy
<i>Ah! Sweet Mystery (Reprise)</i>	Miss Dorothy, Ching Ho
<i>Finale</i>	Jimmy, Miss Dorothy, Moderns

Orchestra and Production Staff listed on page 26

Thoroughly Modern Millie Credits

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Orchestra

Conductor/Piano	P. Jason Yarcho
Asst. Musical Director/Keyboards.....	Steven Zumbrun
Drums.....	Terence Mayhue
Trombone.....	Chris Alexander
Trumpet.....	Brian Warszona
Strings	Han-Yuan Wang
Reeds.....	Andrew Schurman

Production Staff

Production Manager.....	Jenn Scheller
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Assistant Stage Managers	Emilee Buchheit, Emily Wilson
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Artistic Company Profiles

Kevin Bautch...Scenic Designer/Technical Director

Kevin Bautch (Season Technical Director and Scenic Designer for *Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?*, *Anything Goes*) is happy to be joining The Little Theatre On The Square staff this season after serving as Festival Technical Director and Scenic Designer for *The Scarlet Letter* for Festival 56 in Princeton, IL last summer. Kevin completed his MFA in Design from Illinois State University this spring. His recent designs include *Romeo and Juliet*, *Oklahoma!* and *Noises Off* at Festival 56, and *As You Like It* and *Marat/Sade* at Illinois State University.

Kevin Depinet...Scenic Designer/Lighting Designer

Mr. Depinet just recently graduated from Illinois State University where he received his MFA in scenic design. This past year he spent studying with Ming Cho Lee at the Yale School of Drama. He has been designing professionally for the past six years and worked at numerous theatres across the country. He now resides in Chicago where he is a freelance scenic and lighting designer. Mr. Depinet is excited to be in Sullivan, Illinois this summer and can't wait to be part of the theatre's great legacy.

Alex M. Gaines...Scenic Designer

Mr. Gaines is very eager to join The Little Theatre On The Square for the first time. In the fall, he will begin his senior year at Webster University's Conservatory of Theatre Arts, pursuing a BFA in scenic design and technical direction. Educational credits include set designs for *Red Ink* and *String of Pearls*, both newer works, and professional credits include set designs for *Forever Plaid* and *The Odd Couple* at the Ozark Actor's Theatre in Rolla, MO and work for the Alley Theatre in Houston, TX and the International Theatre of Vienna in Austria.

Millie Garvey...Director/Choreographer

Millie Garvey (Director/Choreographer-*Anything Goes*) returns to Sullivan having just completed productions of *Kiss Me Kate* for Arrowrock-Lyceum Theatre, *Dreamgirls* and *Caroline or Change* for the St. Louis Black Rep, and *A Chorus Line* for Stephens College. Last season in Sullivan she directed and choreographed the production of *Fiddler on the Roof*. Other productions include *Evita* and *West Side Story* for the Broadway Palm West in which she won an Arizoni for Best Choreography 2003. She also did *Music Man* and *Fiddler on the Roof* for Casa Manana in Fort Worth, Texas. Millie's career has spanned over twenty-five years and one hundred productions, including three world premieres, *Monky Business*, *Camila* and a children's opera entitled *Joshua's Boots*. Her work has been seen in the Opening Ceremony of the Tenth Pan Am Games, the 35th Anniversary of Mary Kay, the 100th anniversary of the I.B.E.W., the Castle Christmas show at Disney World, and in 2 award winning music videos. Next, she will go to Okoboji, Iowa for *Will Rogers Follies*. Millie lives in St. Louis with her husband of twenty-five years, Whit Reichert.

Angela Grimaldi...AEA Stage Manager

Angela has worked from New York (where she was born and raised) to Tennessee (at Dollywood), and everywhere in between (thanks to a tour with Theatreworks/USA). Now living in the Knoxville area, this is her first season with The Little Theatre On The Square. Favorite shows include *Macbeth*, *Rounding Third* (Kentucky Repertory Theatre), *Christmas Carol* (Clarence Brown Theatre), *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *42nd Street* and *Godspell* (various Long Island theatres). When not working behind the scenes in theatre, she is a photographer.

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Diane Kinkennon...Lighting Designer

Diane joins The Little Theatre On The Square from Illinois State University, where she recently received an MFA in lighting design. Her recent designs there include *As You Like It*, *Marat/Sade*, *Pride's Crossing* and *The Marriage of Figaro*. She has worked at Illinois Shakespeare Festival and as lighting and sound designer at Greenbrier Valley Theatre in Lewisburg, West Virginia. A native Tennessean, Diane has worked on numerous productions for the University of Memphis and has been a guest designer for Theatre Memphis' production of *The Last Five Years* and *The Laramie Project* at The Circuit Playhouse.

Patrick McCarthy...Director

See Patrick's bio under Performance Company Profiles on page 12.

Jamal McDonald...Choreographer

Jamal McDonald is a graduate of Ithaca College. He was Assistant Choreographer and Assistant Director of the National Tour of *The Full Monty* as well as at Gateway Playhouse. Other National Tour: *Miss Saigon*. Regional Credits include *The Wiz*, *Big River*, *Bat Boy* and *Gypsy*. He sends his love to his mother and sister back home in Los Angeles, California.

Ann Nieman...Director/Choreographer

Ms. Nieman returns to Little Theatre On The Square where she previously directed and choreographed the 2005 production of *42nd Street*. Ms. Nieman has directed and choreographed over 50 shows for respected theatres throughout the U.S. Favorite productions include *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Evita*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *West Side Story*, *Joseph...Dreamcoat* and *Me & My Girl*. She has been the recipient of the Dallas Theatre League's Award for Outstanding Choreography of a Musical for the production of *Sweet Charity* at Lyric Stage in Texas. Off-off Broadway credits include *In the Name of God...or Honk if You Love Satire* and *Wind in the Willows*. Internationally, she has choreographed a European tour of *42nd Street*. A native of Texas, Ms. Nieman received her B.A. in theatre from North Texas State University, and currently resides in New York City.

Laura Schutter...Choreographer

Laura Schutter is pleased to be returning to The Little Theatre where she was an intern at age sixteen many years ago. Since age sixteen, she went on to Chicago and studied under Seth Reines at Roosevelt University. Now living in New York, Laura has performed on Broadway, National Broadway Tours and London's West End. Her most recent credits include: Millie in the Broadway Tour of *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, Broadway productions of *Kiss Me Kate* and *The Scarlet Pimpernel*, and the National Tours of *Parade*, *Showboat* and *Kiss Me Kate*. Regionally, Laura has performed and choreographed throughout the United States and Canada. Some of her favorites include: *The Spitfire Grill* (DayTony nomination), *42nd Street*, *Spring Awakening*, *Into the Woods* and *Gypsy*. She would like to thank Seth for another fun and fabulous opportunity here in Sullivan. Thanks also to Mom (who taught her every dance step she knows), Dad and Andrew.



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Kathryn Wagner...Costume Designer

Kathryn Wagner is currently an Assistant Professor and Resident Costume Designer at the Department of Theater at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Most recent design projects include *A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum* and *Noises Off*—both for SIUC. Ms. Wagner returns to The Little Theatre having designed *Fiddler on the Roof* last season. Other Little Theatre shows include *Hello, Dolly!*, *The Boyfriend*, *Oklahoma!*, *The Pirates of Penzance* and *Grease*. Other recent credits include *My Three Angels* (University of Illinois, Summer Studio Theatre Company), *My Fair Lady* (SIUC McLeod Summer Playhouse), *The Green Bird* and *On the Verge* (SIUC), *The Glass Menagerie* (UIUC Summerfest) and *A Man For All Seasons* (Peninsula Players). Prior to coming to the Midwest, her work was seen in many New York area theatres including McCarter Theatre, Lamb's Theatre Company and the New Jersey Shakespeare Festival. Ms. Wagner holds a BFA from the Goodman School of Drama, an MFA from Rutgers University, and is a member of United Scenic Artists, Local 829.

John P. White...Costume Designer

John P. White (Costume Designer-*The Full Monty*) is excited to be returning to Sullivan and The Little Theatre On The Square. At TLTOTS: *Chicago*, *Honk!*, *Mame*, *The Lion in Winter*, *Victor/Victoria*, *Jekyll and Hyde*, *Christmas Carol*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Annie*, *Music Man*, *Oliver*, *Christmas from the Heart* and *Nun-crackers*. Currently, John is the Costume Design assistant at Actors Theatre of Louisville in Louisville, KY. Prior to that, he was the resident costume designer for Derby Dinner Playhouse in Clarksville, IN. He has also designed costumes for Mill Mountain Theatre (Roanoke, VA), Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre (Lancaster, PA), Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre (Naples, FL), Broadway Palm West (Mesa, AZ) and Music Theatre Louisville.

P. Jason Yarcho...Musical Director

Jason is thrilled to be back in Sullivan for another summer season. He has served as Musical Director for The Little Theatre On The Square for the past two years, conducting their productions of *The Boyfriend*, *Where's Charley?*, *42nd Street*, *Swing!*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Fiddler on the Roof* and *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. He also served as Musical Director for their educational program's production of *Once on This Island, Jr.* as well as conductor/arranger/composer for their past two Christmas production's *It's Always Time For Christmas* and *The Magic of Christmas*. He recently musical directed *I Do! I Do!* for Virginia Musical Theatre and served as substitute conductor for the Broadway Palm West's production of *Aida* in Mesa, AZ. Last fall, Jason was the Musical Director of the world premiere of Seymour Barab's opera *License to Marry* directed by famed opera director, Dorothy Danner. He received his BM in Piano Performance from Eastern Illinois University. While at Eastern he was winner of the Eastern Symphony Orchestra's concerto competition, playing Gershwin's Concerto in F and Tchaikowsky's Concerto No. 1 in Bb minor. He was voted "Outstanding Performer" for two consecutive years by Eastern's music faculty. Mr. Yarcho has served as Musical Director/keyboardsist for nearly 40 productions. He is also an active vocal coach having coached several students and professionals. Mr. Yarcho was quoted as being "one of the best musical directors around" by the Illinois Times.



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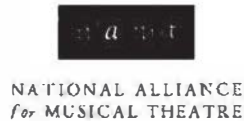
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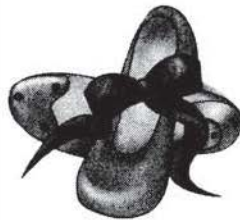
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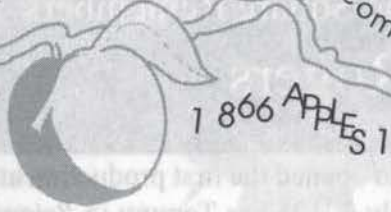
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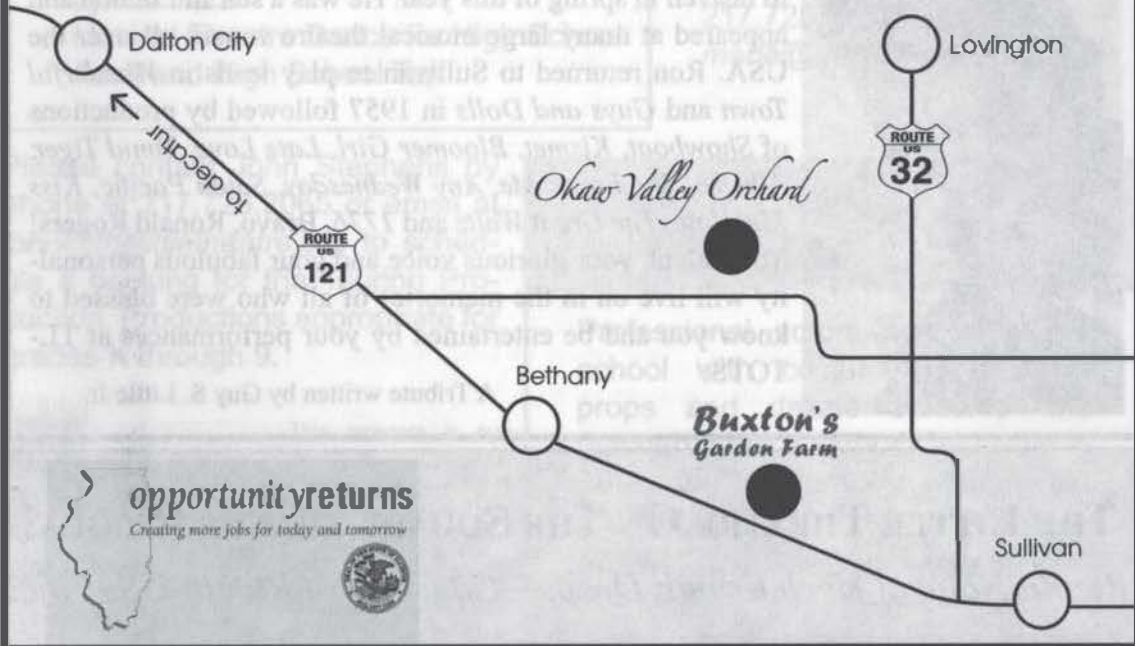
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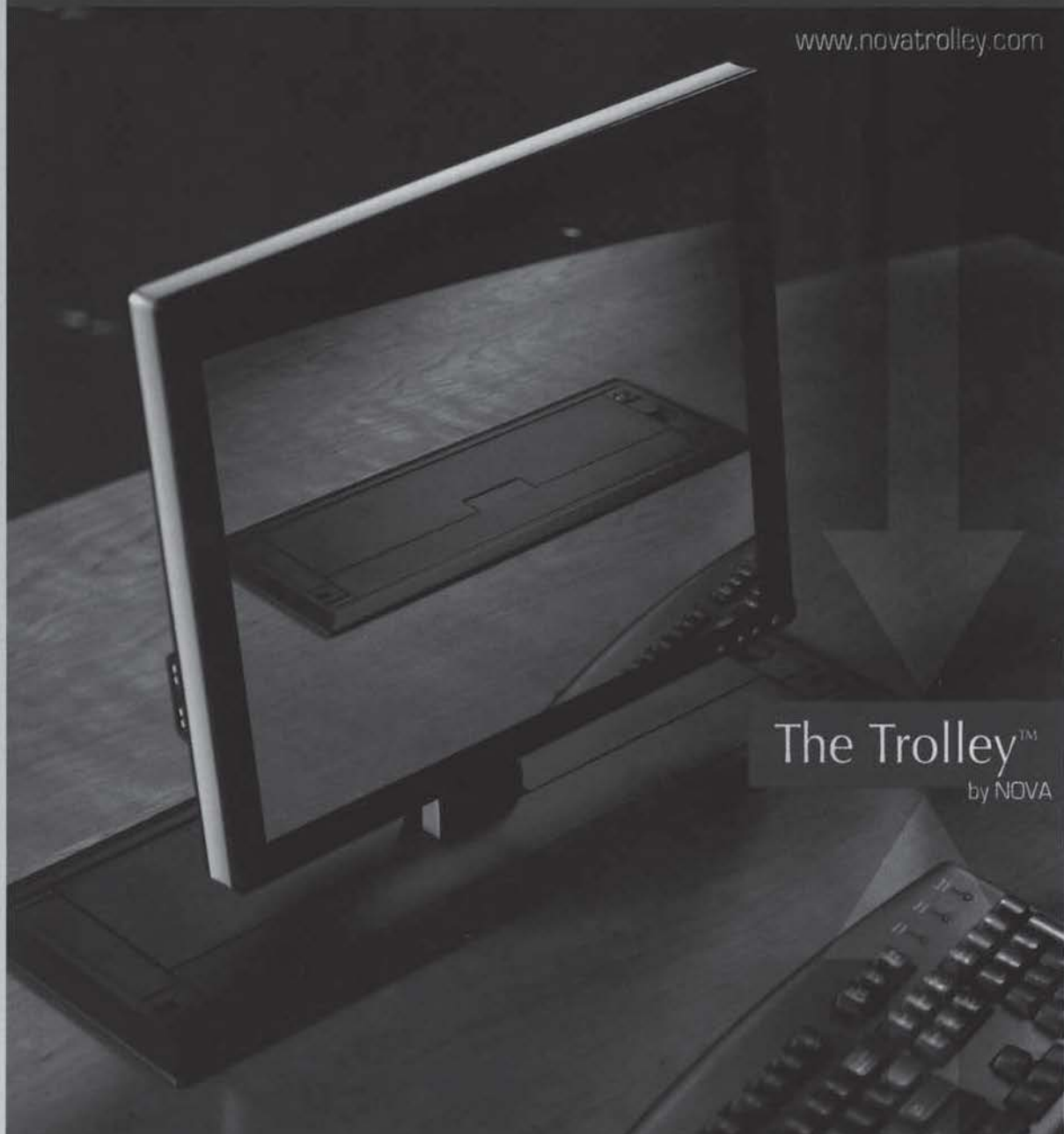
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