

SEVEN

Brides for
Brothers



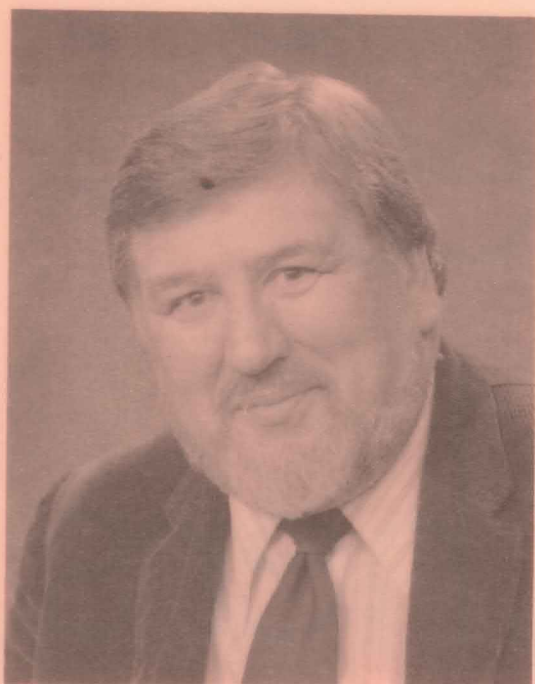
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Medicine Hat
Musical Theatre

NOVEMBER 17th - 24th, 1984.



ARLENE
ITCHFIELD

— PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE —



JOHN KOMANCHUK

Good evening and welcome to our production of "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers".

Attendance at our annual musical has become a tradition for thousands of patrons in our area. It is the single most well attended cultured event in our community. We owe much thanks to the performers and back stage support staff for their many hours of preparation.

Long time patrons of theatre will notice that a familiar name is missing in this year's program. For more years than anyone can remember, Ron McAffer was associated with every major theatrical event in this city. His cheerfulness and untiring effort will long be remembered by all who were in any way associated with him. Ron orchestrated the back stage but it was not uncommon to find his face in a crowd scene near the end of a show. Such was the humor and humanity of the man. He will long be remembered.

And now, it is curtain time. Sit back and enjoy our latest production.

JOHN KOMANCHUK
President

— HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS —

Adele Armstrong
Norm Bruins
Lorne Havard
Wally Hayne
Palmer Huckle
Dorothy Jones
John Komanchuk

Bea Lewis
Gail Macdonald
Ian MacDonald
Skip Macdonald
Dr. H.F. McKenzie
Dick Mells
Ron Miller

Alex Shand
Marion Shand
Manfred Sievert
Eileen Sissons
Eleanor Townsend
Larry Townsend
Jean Van Wert

— BOARD OF DIRECTORS —

PRESIDENT: John Komanchuk
VICE-PRESIDENT: Gary Haubrich
PAST PRESIDENT: Les Phillips

SECRETARY: Audrey Armstrong
TREASURER: Betty Park

DIRECTORS:

Tracy Mastel (Cast Representative); Lenore Osgood; Elaine Ramm; Bob Rose; Leslie Mansell;
Evan Tonin; Ron Zablocki.



KAROLYN HARKER

Director

You could say that Karolyn knows Musical Theatre in Medicine Hat inside out, having written her Master's Thesis on the subject for Brigham Young University. She has acted in a number of dramatic plays as well as appearing in "Carousel" and "Mame", playing the lead in the latter. She directed "Brigadoon" with great success.



SANDRA CRAVEN

Producer

Sandra co-authored, produced and directed "Celebration '83" for Medicine Hat's Centennial. She has acted for Lunchbox and Firehall Theatres and produced a number of plays for Firehall, including "The Fantasticks". She acted in "Hello Dolly" and "Mame" and produced "Brigadoon".



ALEX SHAND

Musical Director

Alex started in 1962 as musical director for "The Pajama Game". He then was musical director for "The Sound of Music", "A Fair Price", "Brigadoon", "Anything Goes" and "My Fair Lady". He was organist in "Oliver" and "Where's Charley?" and an orchestra member in "Annie Get Your Gun" and "Sweet Charity". Alex was president of Medicine Hat Musical Theatre Board of Directors for 1978-79.



JOAN CUSTERON

Choreographer

A teacher of dancing, Joan was a member of the Centennial Dancers in 1983. In Medicine Hat Musical Theatre's second production of "Oklahoma" she was a lead dancer.

SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS

Book by LAWRENCE KASHA and DAVID LANDAY; Lyrics by JOHNNY MERCER; Music by GENE de PAUL; New Songs by AL KASHA and JOEL HIRSCHHORN; Based on the MGM Film and "The Sobbin' Women" by Stephen Vincent Benet; Originally Directed for Broadway by LAWRENCE KASHA; Originally Produced on Broadway by KASLAN PRODUCTIONS, INC.

"Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" is presented through special arrangement with

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New York, N.Y. 10022

— SYNOPSIS OF SCENES AND MUSICAL NUMBERS —

ACT ONE

- SCENE 1 ON THE ROAD "Bless Your Beautiful Hide" Adam
SCENE 2 THE TOWN SQUARE
SCENE 3 THE RESTAURANT "Wonderful, Wonderful Day" Milly and the Brides
SCENE 4 PONTIPEE HOUSE
SCENE 5 PONTIPEE HOUSE, later that evening
SCENE 6 PONTIPEE HOUSE, the next morning "Goin' Courting" Milly and the Brothers
SCENE 7 CHURCH YARD "Social Dance" Milly, Adam, Brides, Brothers
Suitsors and Townspeople
SCENE 8 THE ROAD HOME
SCENE 9 PONTIPEE HOUSE
SCENE 10 PONTIPEE BARN "Sobbin' Women" Adam and the Brothers

— INTERMISSION —

ACT 2

- SCENE 1 THE TOWN
SCENE 2 ECHO PASS * "The Townfolk's Lament" Suitsors and Townspeople
SCENE 3 PONTIPEE YARD
SCENE 4 PONTIPEE BARN * "We've Gotta Make It Through The Winter" The Brothers
. * "You've Gotta Make It Through The Winter" (reprise) Milly and the Brides
SCENE 5 PONTIPEE YARD "Spring Dance" Brides and Brothers
SCENE 6 THE TRAPPING CABIN
SCENE 7 PONTIPEE HOUSE * "Glad That You Were Born" Milly, Brides and Brothers
SCENE 8 THE WOODS
SCENE 9 CHURCH YARD "Wonderful, Wonderful Day" (reprise) Milly and Adam
. "Wedding Dance" Adam, Milly, Brides, Brothers
and Townspeople

*New Songs by Al Kasha and Joel Hirschhorn

SEVEN BRIDES AND SEVEN BROTHERS



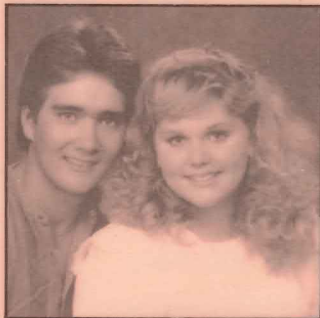
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Darlene Dee

Benjamin
Dorcas



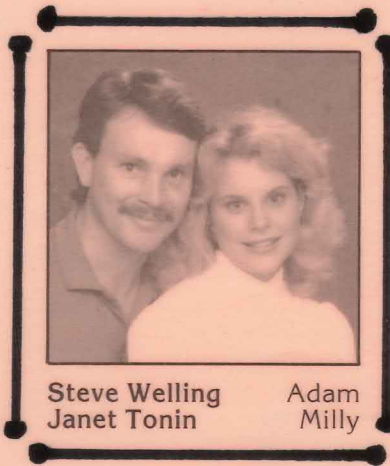
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Leslie Mansell

Caleb
Ruth



Jeff Harpel
Jody Groft

Gideon
Alice



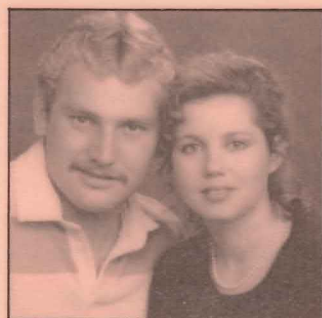
Steve Welling
Janet Tonin

Adam
Milly



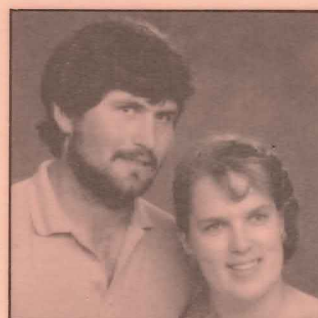
Greg Bender
Carolyn Wilson

Daniel
Liza



Robert Grier
Tracy Mastel

Ephraim
Martha



Ray Lybbert
Jan Line

Frank
Sarah

— CAST OF CHARACTERS —

The Brothers:

ADAM..... STEVE WELLING
 BENJAMIN..... GORD FOTH
 CALEB..... BRIAN GALE
 DANIEL..... GREG BENDER
 EPHRAIM..... ROBERT GRIER
 FRANK..... RAY LYBBERT
 GIDEON..... JEFF HARPEL

The Brides:

MILLY..... JANET TONIN
 DORCAS..... DARLENE DEE
 RUTH..... LESLIE MANSELL
 LIZA..... CAROLYN WILSON
 MARTHA..... TRACY MASTEL
 SARAH..... JAN LINE
 ALICE..... JODY GROFT

The Suitors:

LUKE..... GARY KLASSEN
 JEB..... JEFF HARKER
 CARL..... SCOTT FIX
 JOEL..... GERRY McCULLEY
 MATT..... DAVID HENDERSON
 ZEKE..... IAN BANFORD

THE PREACHER..... BOB MUMFORD
 THE PREACHER'S WIFE..... CAROL JAMIESON
 MR. BIXBY..... RANDOLPH SMYTH
 MRS BIXBY..... THELMA PINDER
 MR. PERKINS..... HARDING ATWOOD
 MRS. PERKINS..... JULIE BRUINS
 LITTLE SISTER..... KRISTI RIEGER

Townspeople:

Laurie Getzlaff, Lanette Hartry, Tish Hartry, Alison Kerr,
 Gail Kuystermans, Marg McCulley, Eileen Plaksey, Geri
 Pudwell, Justine Summers, Pat Summers.

— MUSICIANS —

ORGAN..... Alex Shand
 PIANO..... Gilbert Munro
 REHEARSAL PIANO..... Valerie Brower



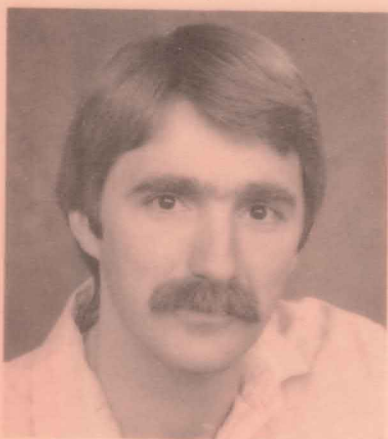
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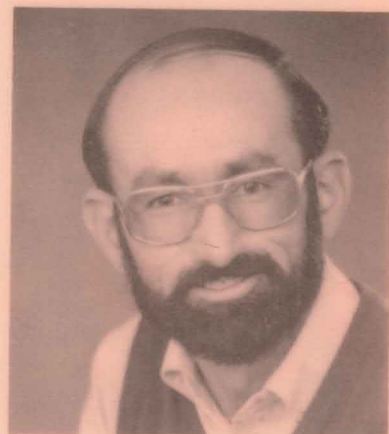
— PRODUCTION CREDITS —

DIRECTOR - Karolyn Harker
PRODUCER - Sandra Craven
MUSICAL DIRECTOR - Alex Shand
CHOREOGRAPHER - Joan Custerson
SET DESIGN - Arlene Litchfield
CONSTRUCTION AND PAINTING - Vicki Gibson, Rob
 Harvey, Kathy Knowles, Cathy Larson, Gil Line, Jan Line,
 Renée Litchfield, Rulon Litchfield, Lynn Miller, Eileen
 Plaksey, Wilma Sellers, Carolyn Wilson, Patty Wolf
STAGE MANAGER - Bill Pringle
 Crew: Norm Bruins, Wayne Craven, Ian Mansell, Ralph
 Richardson
MAKE-UP MANAGER - Doris Evangelos
 Assisted By: Jackie Burton, Loretta Franchetto, Sherrie
 Gutfreind, Linda Rieger, Gabrielle Sievert, Manfred
 Sievert
LIGHT DESIGN - Bob Rose
 Assisted By: Les Becker, Ron Miller
COSTUME MANAGER - Carmen Schlenker
 Assisted By: Janice Baker, Kelly Gibson, Mary Lybbert,
 Donna McCulley, Darcy Neilson, Annabel Welling, Patty
 Wolf
PROPERTIES MANAGER - Debi Hoefling
 Assisted By: Grace Anderson, Peggy Bengert, Penny
 Boettcher, Tammy Boettcher, Bob Gehring, Peggy Kelly



BILL PRINGLE
STAGE MANAGER

Bill was Stage Manager for "Brigadoon", "Camelot" and "Anything Goes". He has also worked with Firehall Theatre - on "Bus Stop".



BOB ROSE
LIGHT DESIGN

Bob's first show was "Annie Get Your Gun" and this is his 20th musical as Lighting Director. For the past two and a half years he has been full time theatre technician at Medicine Hat College.



DORIS EVANGELOS
MAKE-UP MANAGER

Doris has worked on make-up in many of our musicals. She is now setting her sights on directing in the future.



ARLENE LITCHFIELD
SET DESIGN

A practising artist and a teacher of art and music, Arlene holds a Master's Degree from Brigham Young University in Art Education. She was scenic artist on "Brigadoon".



CARMEN SCHLENKER
COSTUME MANAGER

Carmen took part in theatre in High School. She has acted in Firehall Theatre and played the lead in "The Fantasticks".



DEBI HOEFTLING
PROPERTIES MANAGER

A teacher by profession, Debi has directed for Firehall Theatre. She has been associated with Medicine Hat Musical in one shape or another since "South Pacific (2)".



GILBERT MUNRO
PIANIST

Gilbert is a freelance music teacher and performer. He acted in "Hello Dolly" and "Mame", was the pianist in "My Fair Lady" and music co-ordinator for "Sweet Charity".



The Cast of "SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS"

PROGRAMME PORTRAITS

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