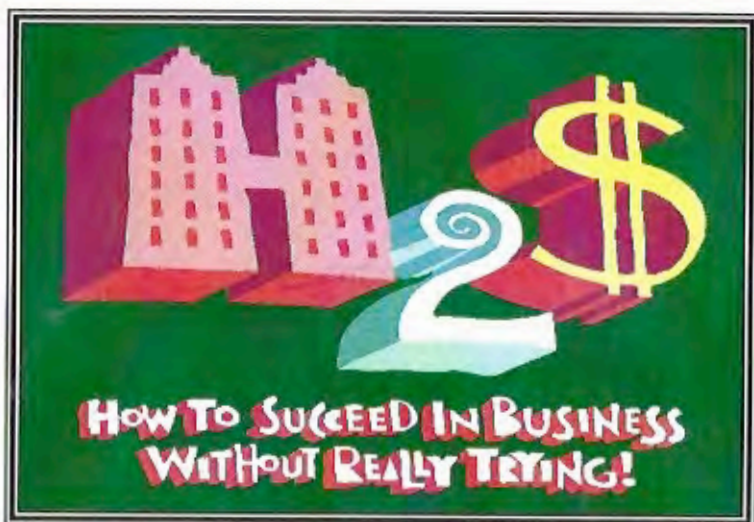


PLAYBILL

Presented By Maroa-Forsyth High School



Christopher Weisenborn

Friday, March 27, 2009
Saturday, March 28, 2009
7:00 p.m.

Maroa-Forsyth High School
Maroa, Illinois

Presents

**How To Succeed In Business
Without Really Trying**

Directed by:
Christopher Weisenborn

Choreographed by:
Jennifer Toney

Student Director:
Chelsea Davis

Stage Manager:
Alexia Thoms

Book by:
Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock, Willie Gilbert

Music and Lyrics by: Frank Loesser

Based upon the book by: Shepherd Mead

How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying is presented through special arrangements with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI.

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Cast

J. Pierrepont Finch.....Jesse Hite
Rosemary..... Hannah Mills
Bud Frump..... Keith Merriman
Smitty Catherine Tomlovich
Hedy LaRue..... Maria Blumhorst
J.B. Biggley..... Zach Mills
Miss Jones Rachel Erwin
Bratt.....Brandon Thomas
Miss Krumholtz Samantha Peebles
Twimble Ryan Gilbert
Gatch Jordan Hoffman
Jenkins..... Beau Sullivan
Johnson.....Ben Clawson
Peterson..... Sam Richardson
Tackaberry..... John Tomlovich
Ovington.....Matt Riley
Scrubwomen..... Janna Grotjan & Maggie Tucker
T.V. Announcer Sam Richardson
Wally Womper Special Guest

Orchestra

Flute/Piccolo..... Emily Morrison
Trumpet..... Johnny Dwyer, Pat Anderson
Trombone Merideth Weber
Bass John Davis
Piano Christopher Weisenborn
Drums.....Derek Taylor

Ensemble

Kristen Buckingham
Ben Clawson
Niki Cochran
Rachel Crose
Amanda Cunningham
Moriah Gramm
Janna Grotjan
Brooke Heibel
Emily Kane
Andrea Kirby
Christina Lewis
Ashley Livingood
Bridget Ollesch
Whitney Oton
Abby Richarson
Sam Richardson
Matt Riley
Hannah Ritter
Megan Scott
Alexis Sims
Becky Smith
Holly Smith
Sarah Smith
Aimee Stansberry
Sammy Stokes
Beau Sullivan
John Tomlovich
Mary Tomlovich
Maggie Tucker
Malysa Wade
Sarah Weikle

Musical Numbers

Act I

Overture.....	Orchestra
How To Succeed In Business w/o Really Trying.....	Finch
Happy To Keep His Dinner Warm.....	Rosemary
Coffee Break.....	Company
The Company Way	Twimble, Finch
The Company Way (reprise).....	Bud, Company
A Secretary Is Not A Toy.....	Bratt, Company
Been A Long Day	Smitty, Finch, Rosemary
Been A Long Day (reprise)	Bud, Biggley, Hedy
Grand Old Ivy.....	Finch, Biggley
Paris Original.....	Rosemary
.....	Smitty, Miss Krumholtz, Miss Jones, Secretaries
Rosemary.....	Finch
Finale-Act I.....	Finch, Rosemary, Bud

Intermission

Act II

Entr'acte	Orchestra
Cinderella Darling	Smitty, Secretaries
Happy To Keep His Dinner Warm (reprise).....	Rosemary
Love From A Heart of Gold.....	Biggley, Hedy
I Believe In You	Finch, Businessmen
I Believe In You (reprise)	Rosemary
Brotherhood Of Man...Finch, Biggley, Businessmen	
Finale	Company

***Note—There is mention of alcohol consumption during this show. The Music Department and MFHS does not promote underage drinking—the students are just acting.

Note from the Director

When my uncle directed this same show 5 years ago, I knew that my first production, wherever it would be, had to be “How To Succeed.” I have enjoyed working with the kids, parents, and staff on this musical. There are so many people I need to thank, but I don’t want to leave anyone out. So, a huge THANK YOU to everyone that has had some involvement with this show: from set building, to program/tickets, to props, costumes, etc. I couldn’t have done this without you!

And finally, to the cast and crew—WOW! I am so blessed to have such talent to work with. You always amaze me, no matter what I put in front of you. Have fun this weekend!

Mr. Weisenborn

Production Staff

Set Construction Joe Sullivan
Hair & Make-Up.....Tarin Van Hook
Programs & TicketsMarva Weisenborn
SoundScott Richardson
LightsChad Furrow & Brooke Becton

Sets

Dana Hite, Brenda Hite, Mance Thoms, Matt Erwin, Sarah Erwin, Will Erwin, Dianna Richardson, Diane Tucker-Larson, Jane Volle, Marvin Waggoner

Concessions

Maroa-Forsyth Education Association
Proceeds will be applied to the MFEA scholarships given at graduation.

Paris Original Dresses

Margaret Marlatt, Linda Gentry, Pat Thomas, Toni Thoms

Student Committees

Tickets

BreAnna Hoffman, Beth Cowger, David McKee, Marisa Capps

Ushers

Josh Broadhacker, Jessica Deavers, Anne Rowley, Hannah Thomas, Elizabeth Buenting

Clean Up

Bobby Gaitros, Connor Weikle, Cast

Sets

Jesse Hite, Sammy Peebles, Zach Mills, Chris Volle, Alexia Thoms, Beau Sullivan

Publicity

Ashley Jump, Cast, Mr. Weisenborn

Concession Stand

Elizabeth McDuffie, Alyssa Baker, Ellen Weis, Taylor Sill, Amy Mandrell, Anne Rowley

Hair & Make-Up

Elizabeth Buenting, Tessa Blakey, Cast

Backstage Crew

Mallory Keith, Hannah Morrow, Chris Volle, Noah Thoms

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 Everyone who has helped in anyway!

Past Productions at MFHS

Guys and Dolls	1996
Grease.....	1997
South Pacific.....	1998
You're A Good Man Charlie Brown	1999
The Music Man.....	2000
Lil' Abner.....	2001
Damn Yankees.....	2002
Grease.....	2003
Little Shop of Horrors	2004
Anything Goes.....	2005
Once Upon A Mattress.....	2006
Sugar	2007
Snoopy	2008



Jesse Hite (Finch): If you came to the musical last year, you were blown away as Jesse made Snoopy come to life on stage. This year, he returns to the stage once more as our leading character, who is very slick about rising to the top in the business world. Sort of makes you wonder if he'll use these tactics in the real world! Music is his life, and he hopes to one day be a rock star. As a Junior, he is well on his way, having already recorded a CD with his band, "Chance." Jesse would like to thank his Mom, Dad, Kaleb, Mr. Powers, Mr. Weisenborn, and the rest of the cast for supporting him in everything he does.



Hannah Mills (Rosemary): What an amazing talent! I was surprised, yet very excited when Hannah auditioned for a part in the musical this year, since she doesn't say much during class! However, when she gets with Sammy and Maria, they have fun, recreating Bon Qui Qui (a movie they found on YouTube). Besides the musical, Hannah stays very busy with extra curricular activities, such as the Trojanettes, basketball, student council, and the Trojan Army. She plans on finishing high school (since she is only a sophomore), then to attend a four-year college. Special thanks to her Mom, Dad, family and friends for special encouragement, and to Mr. Weisenborn for all the hard work on this musical.



Maria Blumhorst (Hedy LaRue): This year, Maria made a 180-degree turn from her tomboy character in Snoopy last year, to a secretary that loves to flirt! The stage is no stranger for Maria, having been involved in: Once Upon a Mattress, Sugar, and Snoopy. Maria has also been a 4-year member of the volleyball team, a tutor here at the High School, and a member of her church choir. We are sad to see this as Maria's last production, but know that she will be successful at SIUC next year! Maria would like to thank Mr. Powers, Mr. Weisenborn, the cast, and of course, her Mom and Dad!



Zach Mills (J.B. Biggley): From the thumb-sucking Linus in last year's production, to the President of the company this year, Zach always finds a way to amaze me in each part he plays. He always brings energy to the stage, and humors us each rehearsal (especially during Grand Old Ivy)! Zach has also participated in golf, basketball, SADD, and student council. This is the last time we will see Zach on stage here at MFHS. He plans to major in Business at the University of Wyoming. Zach thanks his parents, Mr. Powers, and Mr. Weisenborn.



Samantha Peebles (Miss Krumholtz): Sammy has been a great student to get to know this year! She always has a great smile on her face that lights up a room, or stage! I must admit though, she wasn't very happy with me when I tricked her into auditioning for a part that had to sing a solo! Sorry Sammy! She has also been a member of the volleyball, basketball, and softball teams here at MFHS. Next year, Sammy will attend SIUE to major in pediatric nursing. To Mr. Powers and Mr. Weisenborn, thank you for your support and encouragement; to Jennifer for your patience and commitment; to my family and friends, thank you for your love and support!



Keith Merriman (Bud Frump): There wasn't any question in my mind after auditions that Keith was perfect for the part of someone who wines to get his way all the time! Was it type-casting? ;) Keith is a fine musician. He plays trombone in the band, participates in Scholastic Bowl, Show Choir and even represented MFHS at the All State Music Conference this year, singing in the top choir! This is actually Keith's first production with us as a lead character. After graduation this year, Keith will be enlisting with the United States Marine Corps. Thanks Keith!



Catherine Tomlovich (Smitty): This is Catherine's 1st time as a lead role in one of our productions! She has also been in Sugar and Snoopy as an ensemble member. Catherine is very dedicated in everything she does on and off stage. She always has a great attitude during rehearsals, and encouraged the cast when things got a bit hectic. I am sure we will see much success out of Catherine, no matter if it is on the volleyball court, on stage, or when she plans to become a social worker. She would like to thank her family and friends, Mr. Weisenborn, the cast, and God.



Rachel Erwin (Miss Jones): Rachel is very used to performing on stage. You might have seen her in Once Upon a Mattress, Sugar, and Snoopy. This year, she joins the cast as the "stuffy" secretary to Mr. Biggley (no, she doesn't act like that outside of rehearsals)! Rachel spends a lot of her time in extra curricular activities such as: Scholastic Bowl, NHS, band, show choir, volleyball team manager, and several church activities. She plans to attend Millikin in the fall, majoring in Music Theatre. Rachel would like to thank her friends, extended family, God, Mr. Weisenborn, and the cast that have supported her the past 17 years.



Brandon Thomas (Bratt): A newcomer to MFHS, Brandon shocked me when I actually heard his audition! He actually talked! Up until the auditions, I had only heard him speak a couple of times. However, I have seen him grow as an actor, and individual during this production. Brandon also plays bass guitar for his church youth group. Even though he is a freshman, I'm sure we'll be seeing much more of Brandon over the next 3 years (despite his future plans of moving to England, Germany, France, Japan, Anstralia, Switzerland, and Italy to become a professional hobo).



Ryan Gilbert (Mr. Twimble): Ryan was "promoted" to this character 3 weeks into rehearsals! He has done an outstanding job picking up the lines and songs *after* we had already moved on to different scenes. As a sophomore, Ryan is a very dedicated actor, musician, and student. He participates in show choir, and is seen at most of the football games in the fall showing his Trojan Spirit! I know you'll be seeing more of Ryan in other productions here at MFHS.



Jennifer Toney is known on the show choir circuit as one of the most energetic choreographer and clinicians in the Midwest. Working with hundreds of students each season, her work can be seen this year in over 15 different shows. Jennifer has also adjudicated show choir competitions in New York City, Nashville, Indiana, and Iowa.

Jennifer has performed in a variety of summer stock and community theatre productions, show choir camps, and collegiate arts groups. She was a Presidential Scholar Graduate of Millikin University studying ballet, jazz, modern, tap, and singing in the Millikin Concert Choir. Jennifer recently received her Masters degree from Roosevelt University in Chicago. Based in Central Illinois, Jennifer is currently earning her teaching certificate from Millikin. Congratulations to the cast, crew, and Mr. Wiesenborn who have all worked so hard to make this show a success! Best of luck!



Christopher Weisenborn is thrilled to be directing his first production here at MFHS! You might actually remember him, as he was the student teacher/assistant director last year. Mr. Weisenborn graduated Summa Cum Laude last May with a Bachelor's in Music Education from Millikin University. He most recently worked at Little Theatre on the Square in Sullivan, IL as the Music Director for their Children's Theater, and the Asst. Music Director for the 5 Mainstage productions last summer. Mr. Weisenborn has also been on staff with the Decatur Park District's BOSS program, and also performed with the Decatur Park Singers. He also is the Minister of Music at Maroa Christian Church. Special thanks to my family for all of their love, support, and encouragement! I Love You!