



Bishop Chatard Theatre Presents

The Man Who Came to Dinner

November 3, 4 & 5, 2011



Director's Note

Hello and thank you for joining us for this evening's performance of *The Man Who Came to Dinner*.

In reflecting back on our rehearsal process, I began to think about why we chose *The Man Who Came to Dinner* as our fall show. I couldn't help but think back to our cast and crew retreat. The central message of that retreat was very much connected to the themes of the show: one person can make a difference.

The character Sheridan Whiteside is one person, but he has an impact on many. He helps June and Richard realize what would make each of them truly happy, and encourages them to go after it. He befriends a band of "misfits," and in doing so gives them value. He looks out for the best interests of his long-time secretary, Maggie.

The message of this show is directly aligned with the message we are constantly sending our cast and crew: You are never only anything. You have a specific character with a specific purpose, or a specific backstage responsibility that is essential to the overall meaning of the show; you are important.

We are excited to showcase our humorous students in a comedy this year. We have found stepping into the 1930s to be an educational experience. In order to understand the wit of the time period, students had to engage in a great deal of research. We hope that you enjoy the product of months of hard work.

Director
Abby Funk


The Man Who Came to Dinner
by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman

Set in the small town of Mesalia, Ohio, *The Man Who Came to Dinner* tells the story of well-known radio wit, Sheridan Whiteside. He is invited to dinner at the house of wealthy factory owner, Ernest W. Stanley and his family. Before Whiteside even steps inside he slips on the icy front porch and injures his hip. From that point on, comedy ensues.

SCENE: The home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley, in a small town in Ohio. 1930s

ACT I. SCENE I. A December morning

SCENE II. About a week later

ACT II. Another week has passed. Christmas Eve

ACT III. Christmas morning

*There will be a 15 minute intermission half-way through Act II.

***Please no cell phones, flash photography or
unauthorized video recording***

Director: Mrs. Abby Funk
Technical Director: Ms. Patti Valentine
Set Designer: Mr. John Noble

Cast

Mrs. Stanley	Gina Bidmead
Miss Preen	Abby Eichholtz
Richard Stanley	Tyler Bien
June Stanley	Delaney Whitlock
John	Brian Gamache
Sarah	Lexi Gribble
Neighbor Ladies	Kelly Krogmeier Emily Fischer Caroline Boarini
Mr. Stanley	Teddy Sheetz
Maggie Cutler	Nicole Lehrman
Dr. Bradley	Cory Snyder
Sheridan Whiteside	Brendan Haile
Harriet Stanley	Bridget Murray
Bert Jefferson	Adam Ketzenberger
Professor Metz/Plain Clothes Man	Joe Cain
Luncheon Guests	Jacob Pletcher Claire Helmen

Cast

Lorraine Sheldon

Sandy

Beverly Carlton/Deputy

Westcott

Radio Technicians

Banjo

Choir Girls

Expressmen and Deputies

Emily Hoff

Nick Schultz

Quentin Toetz

Lauren Brown

Amelia Siler

Molly Brogan

Hannah Ziliak

Robert Dooley

Maggie Dietrick

Cat Meyer

Mary Claire Siler

Jane Ketzenberger

Joanna Kearney

Addy Monger

Bridgette Farmer

Katie Broniarczyk

Jack McNelis

Jacob Pletcher

Crew

Stage Manager

Elliott Fouse

Assistant Stage Manager

Benjamin Abbett

Set Construction/Painting

*Brendan Haile
**Adam Ketzenberger
Ben Stone
Kathleen Wright
Katie Gozdecki
Colleen Gamache
Caroline Ferguson
Gabriella Benko
Kairon Markey

Makeup

*Emily Hoff
*Caroline Boarini
Stephanie Hastings
Emily Eckert
Emily Buckler
Bridgette Farmer
Jennifer Hill
Tray Nance

Props/Stage Crew

*Elizabeth Bain
*Andrew Jorgenson
**Kelly Krogmeier
Brendan Smith
Annie Beattie
Erin Chaniga
Ryan McGlinchey

Sound

*Reese Trainer
Hannah Janowicz
Charlie Wessel
Olivia Timmons

Crew

Lighting

* Josh Fish
Mary Feeney
James Hastings
Julio Castro
Nick Gray

Costumes

* Malorie Jacquay
* Erin Boyce
** Katie Broniarczyk
Alison Schafer
Shari Bailey
Madalyn Stephens
Josey Cline
Ellen Polak

Advertising

* Madeleine Jurkiewicz
** Nicole Lehrman
Ruby Turchetti
Maddie Bernauer
Hannah Ziliak
Maribeth Cavanaugh
Rebekah Rivelli

*Denotes Crew Head

**Denotes Assistant Crew Head

About the Cast and Crew Heads

Benjamin Abbett – Junior (Carmel Middle School): Ben has been involved in *You Can't Take It with You*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Miracle Worker*, and *Seussical the Musical*. He would like to thank his mother, father, and sister for encouraging him.

Elizabeth Bain – Senior (St. Gabriel the Archangel): Elizabeth has been on crew in *John Lennon and Me*, *You Can't Take It with You*, *Miracle Worker*, and *Seussical the Musical*. She has also been on the cast of *Cinderella* and *The Wizard of Oz*. Elizabeth would like to thank her parents for sending her to Bishop Chatard, her directors, her co-head, Andrew Jorgenson, and the rest of the crew as well as the cast for giving her this experience.

Tyler Bien – Sophomore (Hutson School): Tyler has been on the crew of *Seussical the Musical*. He would like to thank his parents, grandparents and friends.

Caroline Boarini – Senior (Immaculate Heart of Mary): Caroline has been a part of *Cinderella*, sound crew for *You Can't Take It with You*, *The Wizard of Oz*, and *Miracle Worker*, Cabaret, and makeup crew for *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank Ben Abbett for being the inspiration of her life.

Erin Boyce – Sophomore (Hutson School): Erin worked on costumes crew for *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her parents Mattie and Patrick Boyce, Demi Abbet for being the reason she started theater, and the cast and crew for making this show come to life.

Molly Brogan – Junior (St. Matthew): Molly Brogan has been on costume crew for *You Can't Take It with You*, and a dancer in *The Wizard of Oz* and *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her parents, Mrs. Funk and Ms. Valentine.

Katie Broniarczyk – Sophomore (St. Luke): Katie was on costume crew for *Seussical the Musical*. Thanks to her friends and family. Also thanks to the crew; we couldn't do it without you. Thanks to Sister Marie Elizabeth St. Clair the 19th for all the canned peaches and tricycles.

Lauren Brown – Junior (Christ the King): This is Lauren's first Bishop Chatard production. She would like to thank her friends; parents; her sister, Catherine; and brother, Zach, for unending love and support.

Joe Cain – Senior (St. Thomas Aquinas): Joe has been a part of *You Can't Take It with You*, and *Seussical the Musical*. He would like to thank his mom and dad.

Maggie Dietrick – Freshman (Immaculate Heart of Mary): Maggie hasn't been involved in any other productions...yet! She would like to thank her family and friends.

Robert Dooley – Sophomore (St. Lawrence): This is Robert's first production at Bishop Chatard. He would like to thank his family and friends for supporting him.

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Abby Eichholtz – Junior (St. Pius X): Abby has been in the chorus of *The Wizard of Oz*, Helen Keller in *The Miracle Worker*, and a Who citizen in *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her family for their support, Amelia Siler and of course the FANTASTIC cast and crew.

Emily Fischer – Sophomore (St. Simon): Emily was a blind girl in *The Miracle Worker*, and a bird girl in *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her parents and all of her family and friends.

Joshua Fish – Senior (Christ the King): Josh has been on the lighting crew for many Bishop Chatard productions including: *You Can't Take it With You*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Miracle Worker*, and *Seussical the Musical*.

Elliott Fouse – Senior (Immaculate Heart of Mary): Elliott has been on crew for *John Lennon and Me*, *You Can't Take It with You*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Miracle Worker*, and head of set for *Seussical the Musical*. He has also acted as Cook in *Cinderella*. He would like to thank his brother, sisters, mom, dad, Jayson Rabideau, Ms. Valentine, Mr. Noble, and Kyle Guyton.

Brian Gamache – Junior (St. Pius X): Brian has been on crew for *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Miracle Worker*, and *Seussical the Musical*. "Hi, Mom!"

Lexi Gribble – Sophomore (St. Monica): Lexi was a blind girl in *The Miracle Worker*, and Who #2 in *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her parents who have been there for her despite all the craziness at home. "Love you, Tess!"

Brendan Haile- Senior (St. Thomas Aquinas): Brendan has been on the crew for *The Wizard of Oz* and *Seussical the Musical* and has been on the cast of *John Lennon and Me*, *Cinderella*, *You Can't Take It with You*, and *The Miracle Worker*. He would like to thank the directors, his mom and dad, and Morgan Freeman for giving him inspiration. He would also like to thank Nicole Lehrman.

Claire Helmen- Sophomore (St. Thomas Aquinas): This is Claire's first Bishop Chatard production. She would like to thank her parents and all of her friends.

Emily Hoff – Senior (Christ the King): What up "Kingers?" Emily has been involved in many Bishop Chatard productions including: *You Can't Take it With You* (Gay Wellington), *The Wizard of Oz* (Makeup Crew), *The Miracle Worker* (Aunt Ev), and *Seussical the Musical* (Makeup Head). Emily would like to thank her family, Patrick and the Rivelli's, her lovely crew, YAT, God and everyone who ventured out to see the performance.

Malorie Jacquay – Junior (Christ the King): Malorie has been involved in costume crew for *The Miracle Worker* and *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her fellow crew members, the smiling faces of all the cast members, Ms. Valentine, and Mrs. Funk.

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Andrew Jorgenson – Senior (St. Pius): Andrew has been on crew for *John Lennon and Me*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Miracle Worker*, and *You Can't Take It with You*; and has acted in *Cinderella*, and *Seussical the Musical*. He would like to thank Kelly Krogmeier and Elizabeth Bain for cooperating with him and Ms. Valentine for all her hard work.

Madeleine Jurkiewicz – Junior (Christ the King): Madeleine has acted in *The Wizard of Oz*, and *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her great directors: Mrs. Funk and Ms. Valentine, and wonderful cast, especially Nicole Lehrman! Yay!

Joanna Kearney – Freshman (St. Lawrence): This is Joanna's first production at Bishop Chatard, but there are many more to come! She would like to thank Mrs. Funk and the cast (especially the choir girls!)

Adam Ketzenberger – Senior (St. Thomas Aquinas): Adam has been on crew for *John Lennon and Me*, and has acted in *Cinderella* (Footman), *You Can't Take It with You* (Ed Carmichael), *The Wizard of Oz* (citizen/winkie), *The Miracle Worker* (James Keller), and in *Seussical the Musical* (Wickersham brother). He would like to thank his family, friends, the Theatre Department, and especially his brother, Aaron, and sister, Jane, for always supporting him.

Jane Ketzenberger – Freshman (St. Thomas): This is Jane's very first production at Bishop Chatard. She would like to thank her mom, dad, and her fellow choir girls.

Kelly Krogmeier – Senior (St. Pius X): Kelly has been involved in *John Lennon and Me*, *Cinderella*, *You Can't Take It with You*, *The Wizard of Oz*, and *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her family and friends who have supported her all of these years, the BCHS Theatre family, and most importantly; God, for giving her everything she has.

Nicole Lehrman – Junior (Christ the King): Nicole has been involved on crew for *You Can't Take It with You*, and in the cast of *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Miracle Worker*, and *Seussical the Musical* here at Bishop Chatard. She would like to thank her father, for everything he's done for her, the Bishop Chatard Theatre department and all of her friends, especially Madeleine Jurkiewicz and Alison Graham.

Jack McNelis – Freshman (Immaculate Heart of Mary): This is Jack's first production at Bishop Chatard. He would like to thank his family, friends, and the other people in theater.

Cat Meyer – Freshman (St. Thomas): This is Cat's first production at Bishop Chatard. She would like to thank her mom and dad, all the choir girls, and her sister.

Addy Monger – Freshman (Immaculate Heart of Mary): This is Addy's first production at Bishop Chatard. She would like to thank Mary Claire Siler, Jane Ketzenberger, Caroline Ferguson, Jack McNelis, Hannah Ziliack, her family, her brother and sister Angie, and her uncle Chris.

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Bridget Murray – Sophomore (St. Simon): Bridget has acted as a blind girl in *The Miracle Worker* and a Wickersham Brother in *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her friends, family, crew, directors, and everyone else who made this show possible.

Jacob Pletcher – Freshman (St. Simon): This is Jacob's first production at Bishop Chatard, and he is really excited to be a part of it! He would like to thank his parents for driving him to and picking him up from rehearsal.

Amelia Siler -- Junior (St. Matthew): Amelia has acted in *The Wizard of Oz* and *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank her family and friends, Abby Eichholtz, and the crew.

Mary Claire Siler – Freshman (St. Matthew): This is Mary Claire's first show at Bishop Chatard. She would like to thank Addy Monger.

Teddy Sheetz – Senior (St. Thomas Aquinas): Teddy has acted as a priest in *Cinderella*, Boris Kolenkhov in *You Can't Take It with You*, Guard at the Emerald City in *The Wizard of Oz*, Dr. Anagnos in *Miracle Worker*, the Grinch/Yertle the Turtle in *Seussical the Musical*, and worked on props crew in *John Lennon and Me*. He would like to thank his family, friends, and cast mates who make this all worthwhile.

Nick Shultz – Junior (St. Lawrence): Nick has acted as the Mayor of Munchkinland in *The Wizard of Oz*, the voice of Jimmy/Percy in *Miracle Worker*, and a Wickersham Brother in *Seussical the Musical*. He would like to thank his family, friends, and all of his supporters (mainly his parents 😊).

Cory Snyder – Junior (St. Simon): This is Cory's first show at Bishop Chatard. He would like to thank his mother, father, and everyone who persuaded him to try out this year.

Quentin Toetz – Junior (New Augusta Public Academy): Quentin has acted as Vlad Vladikoff in *Seussical the Musical*. He would like to thank his mom, dad, Victoria, Miss Amanda, and Miss Wood.

Reese Trainer – Junior (Oxford Middle School): This is Reese's first Bishop Chatard production. He would like to thank his mom, dad, Mrs. Funk, Ms. Valentine, and Jesus Christ our Savior.

Delaney Whitlock – Sophomore (St. Matthew): Delaney has acted as a Blind Girl in *Miracle Worker* and a Bird Girl in *Seussical the Musical*. She would like to thank God, her parents, the crew, and most of all, the love of her life Bridget Murray.

Hannah Ziliak – Freshman (St. Thomas Aquinas): This is Hannah's first show at Bishop Chatard. She would like to thank Angie Ziliak, Neal Ziliak, Jesus Christ, Jane, Cat, Joanna, Addy, Jack M., Caroline, Maggie, Mary Claire, Mrs. Funk, and her fellow radio technicians.

1930s References

H.G. Wells: English author best known for science fiction
Felix Frankfurter: Associate Justice of the Peace from 1939-1962
Dr. Dafoe: Canadian obstetrician best known for delivering Dionne quintuplets (first quintuplets known to survive infancy)
Jascha Heifetz: a world renowned violinist (male)
Katharine Cornell: popular American stage actress, writer, and theatre owner
Schiaparelli: Italian fashion designer
the Lunts: American actor/director and his wife
Dr. Alexis Carrel: surgeon known for new techniques in vascular sutures and transplants
Haile Selassie: emperor of Ethiopia 1930-1974
Gandhi: eminent political and ideological leader of India
Arturo Toscanini: acclaimed Italian conductor
Tibbett: great American opera singer
Rethberg: German soprano opera singer
Martinelli: Italian tenor opera singer
Flagstad: Norwegian opera singer
Ethel Barrymore: American actress (great aunt of Drew!)
Milt Gross: American comic strip and comic book writer
Louella Parsons: American gossip columnist
Salvador Dali: Spanish surrealist painter
Lord and Lady Cunard: American-born London-based society hosts
Normandie: ocean-liner
Destiny's Tot: nickname for Noel Coward-English playwright
Rover Boy: naïve or inexperienced person
Pago-Pago: capital of American Samoa
Zanzibar: semi-autonomous part of the United Republic of Tanzania
Ginger Rogers: American film actress, dancer, and singer
Oscar Wilde: Irish writer and poet-Victorian Era
William Allen White: renowned American newspaper editor, politician, author and leader of the Progressive movement
Snyder-Gray case: famous murder case from 1925
Maude Adams: American stage actress-Peter Pan
Irving Berlin: Jewish-American composer and lyricist
Rembrandt: Dutch painter and etcher
El Greco: painter, sculptor, and architect of the Spanish Renaissance
Elsie Dinsmore: children's book series written by Martha Finley
Lillian Russell: famous singer and American actress
Khedive of Egypt: government leader of Egypt
William Beebe: American naturalist, marine biologist, explorer and author
Chauncey Depew: president of the New York Central Railroad system

1930s References

Zazu Pitts: actress in silent films

Betsy Ross: made the first American flag

Booth Tarkington: American novelist and dramatist

Fauntleroy: *Little Lord Fauntleroy* was the first children's novel written by Frances Hodgson

Shirley Temple: famous American film actress, singer and dancer

William Lyon Phelps: American author, critic and scholar

Billy Rose: theatrical showman; responsible for organizing the financials for theatrical productions

Ethel Waters: American blues, jazz and gospel vocalist

Somerset Maugham: English playwright, novelist, and short story writer

Margaret Bourke White: American photographer

Lothario: male first name which came to connote an unscrupulous seducer of women

John L. Lewis: American leader of organized labor; president of the United Mine Workers of American

Wagner Act: an act that limited how employers could respond to labor movements of workers

Hamilton Fish: American statesman who served as the 16th governor of New York

Hattie Carnegie: fashion entrepreneur based in New York from the 1920s-1960s

Jock Whitney: U.S. Ambassador to the United Kingdom; publisher of *New York Herald Tribune*

Cary Grant: English actor known for his transatlantic accent, debonair demeanor, and good looks

Anthony Eden: British Conservative politician; acted as Prime Minister from 1955-1957

Beatrice Lillie: actress and comedic performer

Lady Astor: first woman to sit as a Member of Parliament in the British House of Commons

Lord Beaverbrook: Canadian-British business tycoon, politician, and writer

Pierre Cartier: famous French jeweler

Philo Vance: a detective character featured in the crime novels written by S.S. Van Dine

Mrs. Siddons: a Welsh actress best know for her tragic performances

Darryl Zanuck: American producer, writer, actor, director, and studio executive

Howard Hughes: prominent American businessman; one of the wealthiest people in the world

Hedy Lamarr: Austrian-American actress who was a major contract star of MGM's "Golden Age"

J. Edgar Hoover: instrumental in the founding of the FBI

Shout outs to the cast and crew!

Robert,

We are very proud of you for going out for the play.

Love Mom & Dad

Delaney,

We are proud of you!

Mom, Dad and Lauren

Delaney,

Break a leg!

Love, Grandma and Grandpa

Quentin,

Love it when you don't hold back!

Love, Mom, Dad & V

Way to go Adam – Break a leg!

Love, Mom, Dad & Aaron

Way to go Jane – Break a leg!

Love, Mom, Dad & Aaron

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Tim Monger
Kim Monger
Kim Dooley
Joe Boarini
Sheri Ross
Linda Collier
Joe Valentine
John Atha
Bill Sahn
Ben Reilly
Rick Leppert and Crew
Housekeeping Crew
Meg Horcher
Maureen Rumer
Paula Beals
Mike Ford
Mike Harmon
Annie Plesner
Tyler Mayer
Fr. Jeff Godecker

All of our Drama Boosters and supportive parents!

Join us this
spring for our
musical,
Anything Goes.

April 19, 20, and 21
7:30 p.m.