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ABSURD PERSON SINGULAR by Alan Ayckbourn

October 21, 22, 23, 24, 1981

Director - CHARLES W. DODRILL Scenery/Lights - FRED THAYER Costume Designer - ED CHRISTMAN Dialect Coach - JOSEPH PROCTOR

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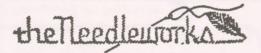
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## DIRECTOR'S CORNER

A warm welcome to two new faculty members! It is always a pleasure to welcome new directors and designers, but especially this year when we believe we now have the most highly qualified professional staff in our history. Joseph Proctor, who assisted us with dialects on this production, is a teacher of voice and acting. Joe will also direct TWELFTH NIGHT and TRIBUTE and has been named Managing Director of the Summer Theatre for 1982. A former professional actor, Joe is an MFA graduate of Brandeis University professional training program, and he has been teaching voice and acting plus directing shows at the excellent Southern Illinois University undergraduate and graduate theatre program. Lucy Lee Reuther is a teacher of costumes, scenery and creative dramatics-childrens theatre who will function primarily as costume designer for us. She will design costumes for CINDERELLA and TWELFTH NIGHT, plus scenery for TRIBUTE. Her considerable professional background includes an MFA degree from the prestigious California Institute of the Arts, and her most recent position was that of costume designer at the University of Montana. I am confident you will be pleased with their professional contribution to our productions this year. We are pleased to have these warm and delightful people as colleagues.

#### A personal note

It is a pleasure to be back at work after my heart surgery and recuperation. My health is good and the prognosis for the future is excellent. My thanks to so many of you for your letters, cards and other expressions of concern - they were much appreciated. I look forward to the coming year with vigor and enthusiasm for continued good theatre at Otterbein and to the continued warm personal relationships with so many of you. Thanks!

Charles W. Dodrill

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Marion Brewster-Wright Cheryl Newcomb**
Eva Jackson Susan Diol
Geoffrey Jackson Roger Tackette
(Off stage voices of the Potter's) Don Ervin Alice Stevens

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> ACT ONE Last Christmas. Sidney and Jane's kitchen. ACT TWO This Christmas. Geoffrey and Eva's kitchen. ACT THREE Next Christmas. Ronald and Marion's kitchen.

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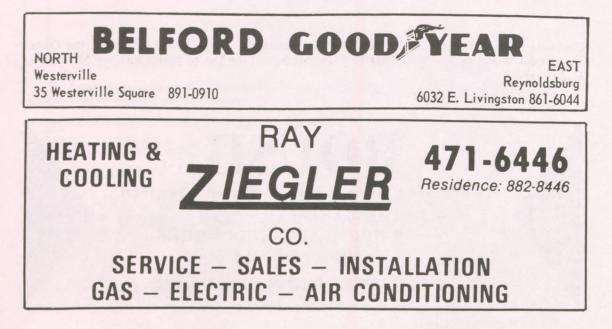
## THEATRE STAFF

Director of Theatre Dr. Charles W. Dodrill
Designer-Technical Director Prof. Fred J. Thayer
Director Prof. Joseph Proctor
Designer Prof. Lucy Lee Reuther
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## **PRODUCTION CREWS**

Stage Manager: Beth Stinson\*\*

Assistant to the Director: Carlyle Owens\*

Costumes: Mary Beth Robinson, Chm.; Brent Erdy, Liz Tegzes

Lighting: Carol Giffen\*, Chm.; Julie Armentrout, Anne Barnes, Bethany Bohall, Michael Blankenship, David DeCooman, Mary Kate Doerres, Don Ervin, Carol Lee Mika

Make-up: Tonve Patano\*

Props: Vicki Byers, Mike Slane, Co-Chm.; Diane Bush, Charlie Daruda, Allison Dixon, Ruth Pettibone

Sound: Julie Armentrout, Regina Vann\*, Co-Chm.; Kim Christ

- Scenery: Larry Sherwood<sup>\*\*</sup>, Chm.; Lori Archer, Jim Fippin, Todd Freeman, Tracy Jones, Tonye Patano<sup>\*</sup>, Elaine Poole, Linda Puccio, Todd Reagan, Todd Rupp, Alice Stevens, Nancy Wacker
- Tickets: Cheryl Newcomb<sup>\*\*</sup>, Chm.; Bethany Bohall, Kim Christ, David DeCooman, Allison Dixon, Todd Freeman, Carol Giffen<sup>\*</sup>, Tracy Jones, Carol Lee Mika, Donna Morris, Suzanne Oswald, Alice Stevens
- House Manager: A. Victor Jones\*

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October 30 - LYNN HURSTAD, soprano, 8:15 p.m., Battelle Fine Arts Center

November 1 - PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE, 7:00 p.m., Battelle Fine Arts Center

November 4 - ARTIST SERIES: SOVIET EMIGRE ORCHESTRA with BORIS BLOCH, pianist, 8:15 p.m., Cowan Hall.

November 8 - OPUS ZERO, 7:00 & 9:00 p.m., Battelle Fine Arts Center

November 14 - CONCERT CHOIR & ORCHESTRA 8:15 p.m., Battelle Fine Arts Center

November 18 - JASS-LAB BAND, 8:15 p.m., Battelle Fine Arts Center

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