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Thanks to all who helped make this show possible after the program went to press

The Elkader Opera House has an induction loop system thanks to an upgrade of the sound equipment by the Opera House Players. With the activation of the T-coil by your audiologist and instruction on its use, you can receive the maximum benefit from your hearing aid. The internal tonal correction of your hearing aid will bring the sounds you hear directly to you without the use of an additional receiver or headset. Two portable units are available for your use as well. Please request the use of a unit when you place your ticket order. This loop system is available for main floor seating only, so if you want to maximize your hearing experience, please request main floor seating when purchasing your tickets.



# MEET THE CAST

**Frank Abagnale, Jr** - Jonathon Moser - Jonathon is so excited to be back on the Opera House stage to sing and dance in this awesome show! Although, it does make him realize that playing an 16-year-old is becoming a bit of a stretch for this father of four! Jonathon has performed in or directed over 26 shows at the OH. He was last seen playing the role of Jonny in the world premiere of *South of Hope* this summer. Some of his other recent favorites include *The Last Five Years* (2012), *Copacobana* (2013), and the title character in *Shrek the Musical* (2015). He also had fun co-directing *Willy Wonka* with his wife, Cheri, last fall. Jonathon is a chiropractor in McGregor where he lives with his wife and children: Mariah (9), Taryn (7), Trace (6), and Gretel (3). He is also the co-owner of Grumpsters Cabins, a beautiful getaway in the hills of McGregor.

**Carl Hanratty** - Dave Beck - Dave has been with the Opera House Players since spring 2002. After accompanying at piano for a couple years he made his debut on stage as McGovern in *The Governor's Son* (2003). Some favorite roles over the years have been Fagin in *Oliver!* (2012), Donkey in *Shrek* (2015) and Elwood P. Dowd in *Harvey* (2016). In his spare time he enjoys photography, genealogy and playing piano. Dave works at FreedomBank and attends Grace Reformed Baptist Church.

**Frank Abagnale Sr.** - Craig Strutt - Craig, has acted in or directed 51 OHP productions since returning to the OHP stage in *Annie* (1992) where he played the role of Oliver Warbucks. He directed such OHP productions as *The Wizard of Oz* (2004), *Music Man* (2009) and *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (2014). He was last seen on stage in *Christmas on Broadway* (2015). Craig lives in McGregor with his wife, Terri, the "Ticket Queen". They are still experiencing the joys of being grandparents to Mariah, Taryn, Trace, and Gretel Moser. Craig is a chiropractor in McGregor.

**Paula Abagnale** - Margaret Yackel-Juleen - Margaret is new to the OHP stage, having moved to Elkader just two years ago, though last year she had fun playing keyboard in "the pit" in *Willy Wonka*. Back in Minnesota where she originally hails from she played Sister Berthe in "The Sound of Music" and Miss Gay Wellington in "You Can't Take it With You" with several different community theatre companies. As a busy pastor of four amazing E.L.C.A. churches in the area that team up and call themselves, One in Faith, wife to Mark, mother to three wonderful grown children (Andrew – and spouse, Angel, Elizabeth – and spouse, Alex and Eli) and an almost grandmother, Margaret is thoroughly enjoying the backstage and onstage fun of this production, getting to know this crazy cast and feeling their love and support!

**Brenda Strong / Dancer / Sherrie** - Jessica Sloan - Jessica is excited to return to the Opera House Players! She has enjoyed tackling the role of Brenda, taking on the challenges of balancing the sweet, innocence, and spunk that makes Brenda who she is! Jessica was first seen on the OH stage as a munchkin in *The Wizard of Oz* (2004). She also played Vicki in *Caught in the Net* (2006). While in high school at MFL MarMac, she played the roles of Sandy in "Grease" (2007) and Princess Aurora in "Sleeping Beauty" (2008). Jessica has recently graduated from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, IA and has moved back to the McGregor area to be closer to family. She is in the process of building her own chiropractic house call clinic to serve those in the surrounding local communities. On Sundays, she can be found singing alongside her parents in the Praise Band at the First Congregational Church in McGregor. In her free time, she enjoys being out on the river, riding her horses, and snuggling with her two cats.

**Carol Strong** - Diane Fisk - Diane has been an active member of the OHP since the fall of 1978. She has worn many hats throughout the years, acting, directing, choreography, orchestra and stage manager. She was last seen on stage as a dancer in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (2014). Some of her favorite roles have been Helene in *Sweet Charity* (1984), Roxy Hart in *Chicago* (1991), Kathy Sheldon in *Singing in the Rain* (1995), Rose in *The Secret Garden*

(2000), Sister Leo in the Nunsense shows and The Wicked Witch in the *Wizard of Oz* (2004). She is again directing the high school musical at MFLMarMac, directs the bell choir and vocal choir at St Paul in Monona and continues to work at Fisk Farm and Home in Monona. She lives in Monona with her husband, Tim and loves spending her spare time being Grandma to six wonderful grandchildren.

**Roger Strong - Cary Kann** - Cary has enjoyed growing as an actor since his first appearance as the Second Reporter in *Bye, Bye Birdie* (1996). He has also appreciated being able to use his visual arts background in logo and set design along with building props for OHP productions. Each of the shows with which he has been involved have been special, a place to meet new talented people from around the area and always a welcome reunion with those who have returned again to entertain and delight our audiences. Cary lives in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin with his lovely wife, Jonelle, and two cats; Angela, a somewhat cranky senior and Candy Cupcake, the young upstart. (And no they did not name her!)

**Cheryl Ann / Principal / Lovely Lady - Mary Beth Specht** - Mary Beth admits to being a theater enthusiast loving every moment of each show she has performed in at the Opera House and other venues. Learning lines, developing a character, meeting new and wonderful cast members, the many rehearsals, and the ever present stage jitters before each opening are all part of a unique and creative experience that she cherishes. Mary Beth's theater journey began when she had the opportunity to join the cast of *Oliver* with the Opera House Players as a chorus member and she has been hooked since then. "It is humbling to share the stage with the talented actress and actors, young and not so young who are truly gifted and brilliant performers. Mary Beth additionally finds joy and pride in her children, grandchildren, granny basketball, and her career working with exceptional youth who have taught her the truth of being human. Most important in her life is her partner, best friend and husband, Jim, who endures her acting antics, relentless schedule and need to be on the go, go, go! Enjoy the Show!

**Agent Branton / Jock / Pilot - Jakob Regal** - This is Jakob's 2nd Opera House Players show. His first was *Caught in the Net* (2006). Jakob serves in the Wisconsin Army National Guard, works at McGregor Municipal Utilities, and is involved in the American Legion. Jakob lives in McGregor with his wife, Tiffany.

**Agent Cod / Pilot / Dancer - Clark Ott** - Clark has been with OHP since *Brigadoon* in 1988 although he was absent from 1994 through 2002 while living in Des Moines. He has been part of over three dozen shows with the OHP. Clark sings with the Keystone Barbershop Chorus, the quartet, "Sticks and Stones" and Peace Church's chancel choir. His wife, Janet, splits her time between on stage and backstage roles. They have three children, Bryan, Erin and Traci, and a daughter-in-law, Cassandra. There are a couple of guys that hang out with Erin and Traci pretty often also, Sawyer and Mike. Clark and Janet are the grandparents of Freyja and Zinnia, who live in the Black Hills (along with their parents). Clark is an environmental specialist with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

**Agent Dollar / Nerd / Pilot / Intern - Max Koeller** - Max is excited to be back on the Opera House stage this fall! This is Max's second big OHP show, after playing the unforgettable Augustus Gloop in *Willy Wonka* (2016). He also performed in the Kids Off Broadway Cabaret earlier this year and you can catch him again on the OH stage, as he'll be playing the role of Bob in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* this December! Max is a sophomore at MFL MarMac High School. He plays the piano and is active in band, student council, choir, debate club, speech and Young Americans show choir. At school, Max played Smee in "Peter Pan" (2016) and will be performing in "Cinderella" this November. (Yes, that's right, he's performing in THREE musicals in THREE months!) Max loves to read and has hopes of becoming a music teacher. He is the son of Ryan and Tricia Koeller and lives in McGregor. His siblings include Sam, Ruby, Ty and Layia.

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# OHP DIRECTOR'S NOTES

I love this show for so many reasons. To name a few...

- The music is incredible, upbeat, jazzy, and beautiful.
- It is performed by an ensemble cast with people constantly changing costumes backstage and running back on stage, minutes later, as a completely different character.
- The dancing! (Need I say more?)
- Our fabulous band is truly a part of the cast as they provide us with beautiful music, and are on stage for all the action!
- It's a true story!

Since I have always loved a great, true story, I thought I'd save you all the "google" when you get home and share some fun facts about the real Frank Abagnale Jr.!

Thank you for coming and supporting this wonderful group and very talented cast! A show is nothing without an audience. We appreciate you!

## WHERE IS HE NOW?

- Abagnale is 69 years old and lives in Charleston, South Carolina with his wife, Kelly. They have three sons: Scott, Chris, and Sean. Scott works for the FBI.

- Abagnale and Joseph Shea, the FBI agent who the character of Carl Hanratty was based on, remained close friends until Shea's death in 2005.

- Abagnale is a consultant and lecturer for the FBI academy and field offices. He also runs Abagnale & Associates, a financial fraud consulting company.



\*References: "Catch Me If You Can" by Frank Abagnale and Stan Redding, "Skywayman: The Story of Frank Abagnale Jr." by Racheal Bell, & "The Art of the Steal" by Ryan McIlvain.



## 5 TRUE FACTS ABOUT FRANK

Warning: If you know nothing about the storyline, you may want to read this after the performance.

1. Abagnale's first con was at 15 years old. His dad gave him a gasoline credit card and a truck to commute to his part-time job. Instead of gas, Abagnale used the card to buy tires and other items at the gas station, then he would return them for cash. He used the cash to go on dates. He quickly rang up a bill totaling \$3,400.

2. Between the age of 16 and 18, while posing as a Pan Am pilot, Abagnale flew on more than 250 flights to 26 countries, all for free. He was also able to stay at hotels for free and charged his food to the airline as well.

3. Abagnale pretended to be a Chief Resident Pediatrician at a Georgia Hospital. He left after 11 months, when an infant almost died from oxygen deprivation under his care because he didn't know what a nurse meant when she said, "blue baby."

4. Abagnale failed the Louisiana Bar exam twice before passing it after only eight weeks of study. He said he passed because "they allowed you to take it over and over, so it was really a matter of figuring out what you got wrong."

5. Abagnale escaped prison twice after he was arrested. Once was from an airplane as it was turning onto a taxiway in New York. The other was by convincing a guard he was an undercover prison inspector.

## The Cast

Jonathon Moser.....	Frank Abagnale Jr.
David Beck.....	Carl Hanratty
Craig Strutt.....	Frank Abagnale Sr.
Margaret Yackel-Juleen.....	Paula Abagnale
Jessica Sloan.....	Brenda Strong / Dancer / Sherrie
Clark Ott.....	Cod / Pilot / Dancer
Jakob Regal.....	Branton / Jock / Pilot
Max Koeller.....	Dollar / Nerd / Pilot / Intern
Kristy Fleming.....	Dancer / Attractive Assistant / Cindy / Showgirl / Head Nurse / Trio
Brenna Buckman.....	Dancer / Attractive Assistant / Jane
Maddison Buckman.....	Dancer / Shellie / Stewardess / Showgirl
Kalie Jaster.....	Dancer / Mindy / Nurse
McKenna Jaster.....	Dancer / Terrie
Alivia Keppler.....	Dancer / Attractive Assistant / Nellie / Showgirl / Trio
Hannah Rose.....	Dancer / Attractive Assistant / Lindy / Showgirl
Sophia Berns.....	Dancer / Betty / Kellie
Kristen Wilke.....	Dancer / Bank Teller / Waitress / Trio
Jon Banse.....	Railroad Agent / Pilot / Detective / Ben Casey / Intern / Dancer / Hotel Mgr
Mark Yackel-Juleen.....	Judge / Tailor / Dr. Wanamaker / Bartender
Franklyn Davis.....	Jack Barnes / Pan Am Exec. / Atlanta Doctor
Mary Beth Specht.....	Cheryl Ann / Principal / Lovely Lady
Cary Kann.....	Roger Strong
Diane Fisk.....	Carol Strong

# THE SCENES

## ACT ONE



Jonathon  
Moser



David  
Beck



Craig  
Strutt



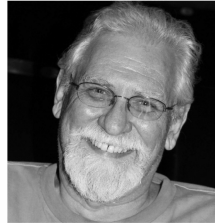
Margaret  
Yackel-Juleen



Jessica  
Sloan



Diane  
Fisk



Cary  
Kann



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Regal



Clark  
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Koeller



Kristy  
Fleming



Brenna  
Buckman



Maddison  
Buckman



Kalie  
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McKenna  
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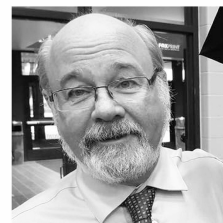
Mary Beth  
Specht



Jon  
Banse



Franklyn  
Davis



Mark  
Yackel-Juleen

### PROLOGUE: Airport

“Live In Living Color”..... Frank Jr & Ensemble

### SCENE 1: Living Room, The Abagnale House

“Pinstripes Are All That They See”..... Frank Sr.

### SCENE 2: New Rochelle High School

“Pinstripes Tag”..... Frank Jr. & Frank Sr.

### SCENE 3: The Abagnale Apartment

“Someone Else’s Skin”. . . . . Frank Jr.

### SCENE 4: Family Court and Train Station

“Someone Else’s Skin” continued..... Frank Jr. & Ensemble

### SCENE 5: Chase Bank, Manhattan

“Sponsors”..... Attractive Assistants

### SCENE 6: Outside Tudor Hotel, Manhattan

“Jet Set”..... Ensemble

### SCENE 7: The Plaza Hotel, Manhattan

### SCENE 8: A Firing Range, Quantico, VA

“Don’t Break The Rules”..... Hanratty, Agents & Dancers

### SCENE 9: The Latin Quarter, New York City

“Latin Quarter Pinstripes”. . . . . Showgirls  
“Butter Outta Cream”..... Frank Jr. & Frank Sr.

### SCENE 10: Idlewild Airport Motel, Room 135

“The Man Inside the Clues”..... Hanratty

### SCENE 11: A Motel in Los Angeles

### SCENE 12: A Phone Booth and the FBI Building, Washington DC

“Phil Spector’s Favorite Christmas”. . . . . Ensemble  
“My Favorite Time of Year”. . . . . Frank Jr., Hanratty, Frank Sr., Paula

**ACT TWO**

**SCENE 1: The FBI Building, Washington DC**

**SCENE 2: The Riverbend Apartments & Atlanta General Hospital**

“Doctor’s Orders” . . . . . Head Nurse, Nurses

**SCENE 3: The Barnes House and a Bar, New Rochelle**

“Don’t Be A Stranger” . . . . . Paula & Frank Sr.

“Little Boy Be A Man” . . . . . Frank Sr. & Hanratty

**SCENE 4: Atlanta General Hospital**

“Seven Wonders” . . . . . Frank Jr. & Brenda

**SCENE 5: Atlanta General Hospital**

**SCENE 6: The Strong House, New Orleans**

“Our Family Tree” . . . . . Carol Strong, Roger Strong, Frank Jr. & Ensemble

**SCENE 7: Dive Bar, New Rochelle**

**SCENE 8: Brenda’s Bedroom, Strong House, New Orleans**

“Fly Fly Away” . . . . . Brenda & Trio

**SCENE 8: Miami International Airport**

“Goodbye” . . . . . Frank Jr.

“Stuck Together” . . . . . Hanratty, Frank Jr. & Ensemble

**Dancer / Attractive Assistant / Cindy / Showgirl / Head Nurse / Trio -**

Kristy Fleming - Kristy first appeared on the Opera House stage in the children’s chorus of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (1999). After a 14 year hiatus, she returned to perform in *Christmas Classics on the Air* (2013), played Miss Dorothy Brown in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (2014), a menagerie of roles in *Shrek the Musical* (2015), and Woman 2 in *Christmas on Broadway* (2015). She has also enjoyed being part of the last three Opera House Cabarets. Kristy currently works at Rockwell Collins in Manchester. She and her husband, Travis, live in Dyersville along with their 17 month old son, Avery.

**Dancer / Attractive Assistant / Jane -** Brenna Buckman - Brenna is a

freshman at Central Community Schools, where she participates in chorus, band, and cheerleading. This will be her 4th OHP production. Her first production was *Shrek* (2015), and she hasn't stopped since! Brenna lives in Garnavillo with her two sisters, mom, dad, and two dogs. Brenna's ready to dance her heart out in *Catch Me if You Can!*

**Dancer / Shellie / Stewardess / Showgirl -** Maddi Buckman - Maddison is a

junior at Central Community Schools here in Elkader. This will be Maddison's 4th time performing with the OHP. She started her freshman year with *Shrek* (2015). Following that first experience, she has continued auditioning and has come to love performing on this stage. Off of the stage, Maddison enjoys being a part of FFA, dance team, cheerleading, and NHS. She also participates in band where she plays flute, saxophone, and trumpet. When not at the Opera House or at school events, Maddison can be found outside Garnavillo where she lives with her parents, two sisters, and two dogs. This is her favorite musical she has been in so far and she feels extremely lucky to have the chance to perform with such amazing people!

**Dancer / Mindy / Nurse** - Kalie Jaster - Kalie is 16 years old, lives in Garber and is a junior at Ed-Co High School. Kalie is actively involved in band, competitive swimming and as many theater performances as possible. She enjoys reading, drama/acting, singing and being in the water as often as she can. She has been in several Missoula Children's Theatre and OHP performances, playing mostly comedic roles. Kalie stepped out of her comfort zone for this dance heavy show and has enjoyed the challenge.

**Dancer / Terrie** - McKenna Jaster - McKenna is 14 years old and lives outside of Elkport. McKenna's parents are Darrell and Rachel, and she has a younger brother, Collin. She is a freshman at Central and is involved with cross country, track, softball, chorus, and band. McKenna enjoys anything to do with singing and performing, drawing, boating on the Mississippi, and having fun with friends. She has attended theater camp for several years and has been in numerous Missoula Children's Theatre performances and the Kids Off Broadway Cabaret. This is McKenna's 3rd OHP performance, following *Shrek* (2015), and *Willy Wonka* (2016).

**Dancer / Attractive Assistant / Nellie / Showgirl / Trio** - Alivia Keppler - Alivia is excited to once again be back on the stage at one of her favorite places in the world. This show will be her 4th performance with the OHP. At just eight years old, she made her debut playing a young girl in *Oliver!* (2012) and since has played the part of Teen Fiona in *Shrek* (2015), as well as Charlie Bucket in last fall's production of *Willy Wonka*. This spring she was invited to perform in Kids Off Broadway, reuniting to sing and dance with some her best theatre friends. She is already looking forward to her next role this December. Following *Catch Me If You Can*, you will be able to see Alivia in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* as the sneaky and dangerous, Imogene Herdman. When not on stage, Alivia can be found playing volleyball, basketball, softball or running track for Central Community, where she attends eighth grade. She enjoys playing the trumpet in band, singing in choir, both at school and at church and can be found singing and dancing pretty much everywhere she goes. Alivia lives just outside of Elkader with her parents, Louis and Angel and her younger sister, Maci.

**Dancer / Attractive Assistant / Lindy / Showgirl** - Hannah Rose - Hannah is excited for her OHP debut in this fantastic production! Hannah is a junior at MFL MarMac High School. She is involved in cheerleading, group speech, High School musicals, and the Young Americans show choir. Hannah's most memorable role was that of Babbette in "Beauty in the Beast" (2015). Hannah lives in McGregor with her parents, Scott and Sophie. She also has an older brother, Spencer. Throughout the summer and fall she can be found giving cave tours at Spook Cave Campground. Hannah enjoys photography, spending time with friends, and practicing her favorite musical routines from *The Sound of Music*, *Hairspray*, and *Mama Mia*.

**Dancer / Betty / Kellie** - Sophia Berns - Sophia is the daughter of Jaydeane Berns and John Berns. She is a senior at Clayton Ridge High School in Guttenberg, Iowa. Sophia has participated in Missoula Children's theater, school musicals and made her Opera House debut in their production of *Oliver!* (2012). Most recently she portrayed Miss Hannigan in her high school production of "Annie". This is her second OHP performance. Sophia is an avid dog lover and keeps herself busy with her show choir, Cloud 9, managing wrestling and being student body vice president. Her future plans include joining the Army Reserves and then continuing on to the University of Wisconsin, Madison, to major in business.

**Dancer / Bank Teller / Waitress / Trio** - Kristen Wilke - Kristen is an Elkader native who graduated from Central Community High School in 2012. She earned her BA in Communications with an emphasis in Journalism and Public Relations from Waldorf College (University) in 2016. Kristen moved to Fairmont, Minnesota as a newspaper reporter for the Sentinel, then back to Northeast Iowa in February 2017, and currently works at Waukon Dental, Family Dentistry Associates of Monona, and Dental Associates of Prairie du Chien, P.C. as the Marketing and Public Relations Director. Kristen has been involved in multiple productions as a child and in high school while also dabbling in a few small productions in college. Kristen was also involved in band and choir in high school, and continued to sing at Waldorf in the Waldorf Choir and the elite Schola Cantorum, all four years. She is excited to

be back on the stage after some time off, and thrilled to be a part of her first OHP performance! Kristen thoroughly enjoys laughing, spending time with friends and family, quoting movies and witty comebacks, and eating!

**Jack Barnes / Pan Am Exec. / Atlanta Doctor** - Franklyn Davis - Frank lives on a small acreage southwest of Garnavillo with his wife, Julie, and 11 year old daughter, Ellie. He has been a member of the Opera House Players since 1996 and has been in 13 shows over the last 20 years. Frank works for Meuser Lumber Company in Guttenberg.

**Judge / Tailor / Dr. Wanamaker / Bartender** - Mark Yackel-Juleen - Mark originally hales from Minnesota, moving to Elkader 2 years ago from southwestern Minnesota. He was drawn into theater by his family “Watching my family shine on stage inspired me to trod the boards as well,” says Mark. Mark played the lead, Fr. Tim Kavanaugh, in *Welcome to Mitford*, and co-lead Grandpa Vanderhof, in the ensemble cast of “You Can’t Take It With You” with the Fulda Community Players. He also played the ominous Herr Zeller in the Prairie Arts Continuum production of “The Sound of Music”. His first role with the Opera House Players was as Grandpa Joe in *Willy Wonka the Musical* (2016). He also had the privilege to emcee and perform with a wonderful cast of young people in *Kids Off Broadway*, and played the dastardly Lord Clive Wickenham in *While the Lights Were Out* (2017). Mark has written numerous short musicals for church settings. He is a Lutheran pastor and serves as Director for Small Town and Rural Ministry at Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque, doing research, resource development, and teaching rural ministry courses.

**Railroad Agent / Pilot / Detective / Ben Casey / Intern / Dancer / Hotel Mgr** - Jon Banse - Jon resides south of Strawberry Point, near Backbone State Park with Marge, his wife. They have one son, Jonathan, who is attending Wartburg College. Jon has been actively involved with the Opera House Players since 1995. Jon was last on stage as Dr. Sanderson in *Harvey* (2016). Besides the theatre, he enjoys spending time with his family, singing with his quartet “Three Lads and Dad” and the Keystone Barbershop Chorus.

**Director** - Cheri Moser - Cheri has directed, choreographed, played in the pit or been on stage in 28 OHP shows, beginning back in 3rd grade with Annie (1992). She directed last fall's *Willy Wonka* and also enjoyed producing two Cabarets on the Opera House stage earlier this spring. Her favorite recent roles include Fiona in *Shrek* (2015) and Millie in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (2014). She has loved every second of her journey with the cast of *Catch Me If You Can*, which began back in May! She is also excited to be co-directing the upcoming OHP holiday musical, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. Cheri is the Faith Formation Administrative Assistant for the Trinity Cluster in Monona, and is also a co-owner of Grumpsters Cabins, a beautiful getaway in McGregor. She lives in McGregor with her husband, Jonathon, and four kids. And finally, she can not forget to thank her wonderful mother, the ticket lady! (Mom, it is impossible to put into words how much we appreciate you and all you've done for us in the last five months. With love, your biggest fan.)

**Producer** - Kay Moser - Kay has been involved with the OHP since 1973. She is most often found organizing everything from props to the director. Whenever anyone in the crew needs something, or wants to find something, the opera house echos with the sound of her name (we're thankful it's not something difficult to pronounce). She has been seen on stage during *Man of LaMancha* (1975), *Anything Goes* (1979), and *Chicago* (1991). Kay directed the OHP productions of *Forever Plaid* (1997), *The Governor's Son* (2003), *It's A Wonderful Life* (2005) and *Plaid Tidings* (2009). Kay lives in Elkader with her husband, Jay (the light guy). When not working, Kay enjoys reading, listening to music and spending time with her family; son Benjamin, and wife, Jenna, and precious one month old grandson Kallum Asher, son Jonathon, and wife, Cheri, and their four beautiful children, Mariah Cirila, Taryn Kathleen, Trace Russell, and Gretel Ann. Kay is a buyer, bookkeeper, and technology coordinator at Moser Family Pharmacy, and manager of this beautiful Opera House.



## Upcoming events at the Elkader Opera House

### The Music of Simon & Garfunkel

Jayne Kelli & A.J. Swearingen  
Friday Oct 13, 2017 7:30pm

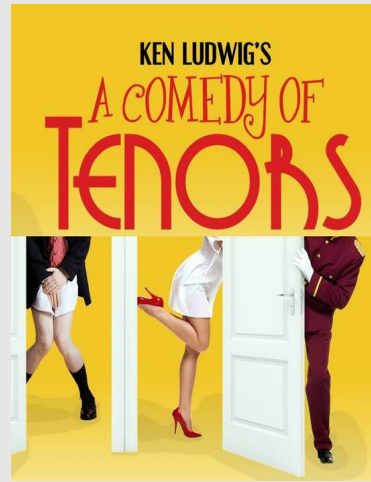
Keystone Barbershop Chorus  
Guest Quartet - After Hours  
Saturday Nov 4, 2017 - 7pm

The Opera House Players Present  
*The Best Christmas Pageant Ever  
the Musical*



Dec 1, 2, 8, 9, 2017 - 7:30pm  
Dec 3, 10, 2017 - 2:00pm  
Matinees

The Opera House Players Present  
A Comedy of Tenors



April 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 2018 - 7:30pm  
Matinee  
Sunday April 8, 2018 - 2:00pm

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