

# Actorsingers Newsletter



# OVATION



April/May 2014 Issue

Editor: Kerry Schneider



## *The Music Man*

Friday, **May 9** - 8:00 pm  
Saturday, **May 10** - 8:00 pm  
Sunday Matinee **May 11** – 2:00 pm

at the Keefe Auditorium, Nashua, NH

Tickets: Online at [www.actorsingers.org](http://www.actorsingers.org)

**\$20** Adults    **\$18** Seniors/Students  
**(603) 320-1870** for information

Directed by: **Kathy Lovering**    Musical Direction: **Jed Holland**    Choreography: **Martha Daniels Holland**  
Producers: **Michelle Morrision and Jenn Morton**    Stage Managers: **Deb and Tom Ritrovato**

Professor Harold Hill - Michael Coppola  
Marian Paroo - Caity Jeanne Glover  
Marcellus Washburn - Craig Plummer  
Mayor George Shinn - Jonathan Fisher  
Eulalie Mackechnie Shinn - Cindy Fisher  
Widow Paroo - Marilyn Valentine  
Winthrop Paroo - Cayden M. Plummer  
Tommy Djilas - Andrew Holland  
Zaneeta Shinn - Katie Tocci  
Charlie Cowell - Charlie Pipilas  
Constable Locke - Mike Bradbury  
Amaryllis - Grace Conard  
Gracie Shinn - Mary Holland

### **The School Board (Quartet)**

Ewart Dunlop - Roger Hurd  
Jacey Squires - Patrick McCarty  
Oliver Hix - John Potelle  
Olin Britt - Dan Wolaver

### **The Pick-A-Little Ladies**

Ethel Toffelmier - Sarah Desaulniers  
Maud Dunlop - Gail Ward Reilly  
Mrs. Squires - Rosalind Sandler  
Alma Hix - Carol Gorelick  
Mrs. Cook - Pamela Thornhill  
Mrs. Gardner - Nancy Rosen

### **The Traveling Salesmen**

Bob D'Amboise    David Miller  
Brad Gibbons    Joe Reilly  
Joel Iwaskiewicz    Tom Ritrovato  
John McAllister    Mike Ryder

### **Speciality Dancers and Ensemble**

Mia Berardi    Brenna McGoff  
Tina Cassidy    Cam Morin  
Jacob Duby    Lindsay Murch  
Ismael Gallardo    Greg Nguyen  
Ben Gorelick    Laura Vitale  
Heidi Guidmore    Cassidy White  
Becca Holland    Melany White  
Joel Iwaskiewicz

### **The Folks of River City**

Ron Kew  
Jonatha Bianchi    Lizzie Krahenbuhl  
Bob Frasca    Bill Mauser  
Glen Grimard    Sandra Metaxotos  
Kasia Grossman    Patrick Scarpati

### **The Children of River City**

Kelly Frasca, Isaac George, Malcolm George, Shira Grossman,  
Chris Holland, Rebecca Manning, Chloe Metaxotos,  
Ben Morton, Grace Morton, Nicole Plummer,  
Jonah Savage, Cohen Smith, Madeline Swisher, Sarina White

\*\*\*\*\* Summer Teen Show!!! Ages 13-19 \*\*\*\*\*

## Legally Blonde

July 18, 19 and 20

At the Janice B. Streeter Theater, 14 Court St., Nashua

Directed by **Joseph Juknievich**

Musical Direction by **Eric Berthiaume**

Choreography by **Brittney-Lynne Stanley**



### **Auditions:**

Friday, May 16, 6-9 pm

At Actorsingers Hall

Saturday, May 17, 10 am – 1 pm

219 Lake St., Nashua

Call Backs: Sunday, May 18, 9 am – 11 am

Check the website ([www.actorsingers.org](http://www.actorsingers.org)) for exact information on auditions, preparation, rehearsal times, etc.

The show is seeking a Producer, Tech Director and Lighting Designer. Contact [Secretary@actorsingers.org](mailto:Secretary@actorsingers.org)

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## **Spring Fling**

Thank you once again to **Barb Amaral, Cindy Fisher** and **Martha Holland**, the organizers of the **Spring Fling Soiree**. Sounds like a good time was had by all. From host, Martha: “We had about 34 people attend this year. It was wonderful to have some veteran Actorsinger members return to our yearly fling, and to have a number of new members join us this time. Not only was the food delicious as usual (and almost entirely consumed), but the Yankee Swap was quite popular. There were a number of gifts that got exchanged MANY times! One of the most memorable exchanges was between **Glen Grimard** and **Maria Bradbury** - they exchanged at least six times throughout the Yankee Swap – with a fierce trading duel over Jelly Beans! In the end, Maria was delighted with her gift. It was a vibrant group of people. Many laughs had by all, particularly during the Swap. A most delightful evening indeed!”

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## **Wine Party and Tasting - April 26 - 7 pm** at Actorsingers

Join the fun for a wine tasting party this Saturday night! We will have 4-5 tables set up with various wines and snacks. Bring your friends for a fun night out of tasting and learning about wine! Bring a bottle to share and your own glass if you want! Free for members of Actorsingers! Non-members - pay for a year membership (\$10 individual or \$15 family) and then come to all our events/auditions/parties for 2014/2015 FREE! Your dues are good until June of 2015! Send this invitation to your friends and join us for some fun! This is an adult event 21+

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## **The Actorsingers Scholarship**

The Actorsingers Scholarship is awarded to High School Seniors who have participated in Actorsingers shows and are planning to further their education. The deadline for application is May 1, with the award recipient(s) being announced at the Annual Meeting on June 9. All High School Seniors who are members of Actorsingers are eligible, but hurry to meet the deadline of May 1! The application is on our website: [www.actorsingers.org](http://www.actorsingers.org)

Mail completed forms to **Chuck Emmons**, Actorsingers Scholarship Chairman, PO Box 91, Nashua, NH 03061

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# Like to Sing and Dance?

We've got the place for you!

## Actorsingers Musical Theatre Camp July 14 - 18

A week of singing, dancing, theater games, improvisations and more for students grade 3-9. Perform in a Musical Theatre showcase for family and friends. Classes taught by experienced music, dance, and drama teachers.

Monday – Thursday 9-3

Extended day option 3-5:30

Friday, July 18: 9 – 5:30, Showcase Performance 4:30

Space is limited, register by May 25.

For more information, contact camp coordinator Amy Friedman ([amyfriedman1@yahoo.com](mailto:amyfriedman1@yahoo.com))

**More information and actual registration page are on our website [www.actorsingers.org](http://www.actorsingers.org)**

Musical Theater Camp, 9 am-3pm	\$175 (additional siblings \$155)
Extended Day program 3-5:30 pm	\$25
Family Membership (7/14-6/30/2015)	\$15 (Family memberships are for the entire family living at one address)

All participants must be Actorsingers Family Members. Membership will apply for the entire 2014/2015 season – and includes any mainstage shows and Jr. Actorsingers shows from July 2014 through June 2015.

Please make checks payable to The Actorsingers and mail to:

The Actorsingers, PO Box 91, Nashua, NH, 03061 (Attention Camp)

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## Young Frankenstein – November 7, 8, 9

Directed by **Paul Metzger**, Musical Direction by **Judy Hayward**, Choreography by **Donna Metzger**

It's a bit early, but Audition dates are set: August 9 and 10 with Callbacks on August 13 – save the dates!!

**Thank you!** To the Jr. Actorsingers *School House Rock, Jr* - Carol Gorelick and Jed and Martha Daniels Holland, the Directors, the wonderful Producers: Jenn Morton and Michelle Morrison, the Jr. Stage Managers, Ben Gorelick and Emily Trubey and all the Parents, Crew and Children involved. So many new children participating...our new generation of Actorsingers! Thank you one and all.

**News From the Board:** Looking to add 3 members to the **Play Reading committee** including someone with director experience or musical experience. If interested contact Donna O'Bryant Metzger via facebook or e-mail [dmetzger4884@gmail.com](mailto:dmetzger4884@gmail.com)

When using the Hall please remember to do the following when exiting the building:

1. Lights – OFF! 2. Heaters on low 3. Doors – Locked!!! Simple important rules to make our Hall safe!

**The Nominating Committee** – is looking for all talented, intelligent and caring Actorsinger members. Your service is needed! Those who aspire to give back to this excellent organization by serving on the next Board of Directors, please contact [Secretary@actorsingers.org](mailto:Secretary@actorsingers.org)

Consider serving on The Actorsingers Board of Directors. We need help to run this organization. Things don't just happen magically. There's lots of hard work and dedication that goes into keeping the Actorsingers a viable, wonderful Community Theater group and we need **YOUR** help to continue. Make a difference. Serve on the Board.

Save the date!!!

The Actorsingers Annual Meeting will be on Monday, June 9 - 7 pm

## Condolences to

The **Fisher Family** on the death of Jon's Father  
**Katie Tocci** on the death of her Grandmother  
**Debra Buckley** on the death of her Mother  
**Kate Gaudet** on the death of her Sister

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**FYI** – The last time we performed *The Music Man* (1987), Winthrop was played by a young boy named **Randy Harrison**. Randy is now an accomplished stage actor who was on the TV show *Queer as Folk*.

**In and About Town** – Goodbye to long time member and supporter, **Liz Ierardi**, who has moved to Somersworth, NH. We'll miss you! Her daughter, **Katie**, is now married and son, **Mike**, lives in California. Wow! - to all those involved in Voices of Hope who got to sing the National Anthem at a Celtics game in February and who just performed *Once on This Island*. This wonderful group raises Cancer awareness and performs in memory and honor of those afflicted. **Shawna Ciampa** was in *Rabbit Hole* in MA with Emerson Umbrella Center for the Arts. Congrats to all those involved in Stagecoach's *JCS*, choreographed by **Val Psoinos Nelson** and musically Directed by **Judy Hayward**. The powers that be threw an extra wrench in the fire for them when the power went out 5 minutes before curtain on opening night and the performance had to be cancelled and rescheduled. But the cast took it in stride and gave powerful performances the rest of the run. Bravo! **Cheri Birch** is in Concord Players original comedy *Hotel La Putts*. **Barb Amaral** boasts that daughter, **Louisa**, just finished her 4<sup>th</sup> season with the Palace Youth Theater program. **Amy Agostino** played a wacky therapist in *Beyond Therapy* for Milford Players. Heard from the daughter of Life Member, **Grace Bolen**, who told me that Grace is in the advanced stages of Alzheimers, but often mentions The Actorsingers. Good luck to **Nicole Ste Croix** in her new home. Nashua High School's *Peter Pan* boasted **Sean** and **Ryan Vigeant**, **Sarah Drake** and **Sean Fitzgerald** and was Directed by **Joel Iwaskiewicz** and **Laura Prior**. Speaking of High Schools – **Maddie Kuchta** was in *Anything Goes* for Hollis Brookline. Congratulations to **Kathy LeClair** who received a "Red Cross Hero" award for her role in volunteering in last year's Boston Marathon tragedy. A "Job well Done" to Life Member, **Shirley Coutu**, who is retiring from teaching after this school year. Sending Positive vibes to **Joanne Duhamel** who is dealing with a health issue. Nice article in New Hampshire magazine on BeeKeeping featuring Life Member **Barbara Lawler**. **Steve Gonzalez** recently performed at the Franklin Opera House. **Karina Carney** couldn't get enough of *Les Miserables*, so she performed it again with a vocal group in MA. **Don Smith-Weiss** has achieved stardom!...at 2 minutes into the Jason Segal/Cameron Diaz "Sex Tape" trailer, he's the blur in the upper right shot of the audience! Speedy recovery wishes to **Debbie Grass**, recuperating from recent surgery. Upcoming in Stagecoach's *Catch Me If You Can* are **Joseph Paoni**, **Bob Frasca**, **Donna Metzger**, **Matt Kaiser**, **Nathan Schwartzberg**, **Sheree Owens** and **Lizzie Krahenbuhl**. **Donna Metzger** is also Choreographing *Cabaret* for Majestic theater which will feature **Don Higgins** and **Caity Glover**. Heard from ex-member **Pat Gage** who misses The Actorsingers ever since she moved up North many years ago – too far to do a show, but possibly is looking to come "back home" and start with us anew! **Kerry Schneider** was in a Stage One dinner theater - *Sex Please, We're Sixty!* Funny stuff. Her daughter, ex-member **Lauren Schneider**, is in the last stage of the finals to be a Patriots Cheerleader. In the midst of sorrow, **Kate Gaudet** tells us there is joy – she's going to be a Grandma! Good luck to **Joe Vago** who is back working at Citizens Bank. Big Congratulations to **Danielle O'Keefe** who is expecting a new addition come October!

Until next time... news? call Kerry (603) 888-2837 or E-mail [ActingKer@aol.com](mailto:ActingKer@aol.com)

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Get your tickets for ***The Music Man*** today!

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or call (603) 320-1870

## **The Ovation**

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### **Mark these ACTORSINGERS Dates on your calendar!**

**April 26 – Wine Party and Tasting – 7 pm**

**May 1 – Deadline for Scholarship Applications**

**May 9, 10, and 11 – *The Music Man***

**May 16, 17 – Auditions Legally Blonde**

**May 25 – Deadline for Theater Camp Applications**

**June 9 – Annual Meeting – 7 pm**

**July 18, 19 and 20 – Teen show, *Legally Blonde***

**August 9, 10 – Auditions *Young Frankenstein***

Remember to check our Web site **[www.actorsingers.org](http://www.actorsingers.org)** for up to the minute information

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