



The North Fork Community Theatre Youth Players  
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# LITTLE MARY SUNSHINE

Book, Lyrics and Music by  
RICK BESOYAN

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## BIOGRAPHIES

**JOHN ANDERSON (Hank)** - Before graduating from Mattituck High School, John was involved in the Senior Play and the Variety Show. Last summer he was in the Youth Players' "Dames at Sea". John's interested in model railroading, water skiing, and girls in bikinis.

**ELLEN BARNETT (Little Mary Sunshine)** - This is the second time Ellen has worked with the NFCT. The first time was in L'il Abner. In her freshman year, she played Corrie in Carousel, and last summer she appeared as Maria in The Sound of Music. Though her favorite aspect of theater is singing, Ellen also loves acting and dancing.

**DAVE BLACKWELL (Slim)** - Dave has a deep interest in the theatre and has had experience in various roles since age 5. His formal training began with a Drama Workshop at the Babcock Children's Theatre in Northport. Dave returned to East Marion and attends Greenport High School where he appeared in Oklahoma. This is his second year with the NFCT Youth Players having been in Dames at Sea in 1978.

**COLLEEN BRENNAN (Marilee)** - Colleen is 16 years old and lives in Hampton Bays. She has appeared in the NFCT productions of Fiddler on the Roof and Dames at Sea. Colleen plays the piano and loves music.

**ALEXANDER CARNEY (Yellow Feather)** - A summer resident of Jamesport, Alex has appeared as Hairless in L'il Abner and Captain Courageous in Dames at Sea. He is a student at the High School of Performing Arts in the Drama Department, and he thinks the NFCT is fantastic!

**CHERYL CASE (Blanche)** - Cheryl, a graduate of Mattituck High School, is 17 and lives in Cutchogue. This is her fifth summer of NFCT productions. She has also been active in many Mattituck High School shows. She loves animals, boys, and singing.

**PETER CHACE (Gen. Oscar Fairfax, Ret.)** - Peter is a resident of Quogue. As a graduate of both Westhampton Beach High School and more recently Hobart College, he has contributed his interest and energies to various productions during the last 7 years. During the 1978-79 school year, he participated in an adaptation of Pirandello's Six Characters in Search of an Author, Lillian Hellman's The Lark. And, most recently, Peter played Dr. Evrett Scott in a stage production of the London rock musical, The Rocky Horror Show.

**HEATHER CUSACK (Maude)** - Having been graduated from high school in June, Heather will attend the Connecticut College in New London this Fall. She has appeared in the Youth Players productions of Guys and Dolls, Brigadoon, L'il Abner, Dames at Sea and now Little Mary Sunshine. Heather lives in Cutchogue, loves dancing, and has seen A Chorus Line six times!

**ROBERT DEAN (Alan)** - This marks Robert's first appearance on stage. He became interested in theatre while working lights for Pirates of Penzance. In the fall, Robert will begin his senior year at Mattituck High School. Among his interests are golf, water skiing, basketball, track, and a mysterious brown-haired girl. Robert plans to pursue a career in agriculture.

**LAUREN DICKERSON (Gwendolyn)** - Lauren is from Southold and has been seen in our productions of Guys and Dolls, Brigadoon, L'il Abner, and Calamity Jane. She enters her sophomore year at Indiana University in Bloomington where she is studying theatre and voice.

**JOHN H. JACKSON (Jack)** - John first appeared in a youth production in L'il Abner in 1977. He enjoyed acting so much that he stayed with the NFCT. He has since appeared in Desk Set, Dames at Sea, Inherit the Wind, Pirates of Penzance. John enjoys theatre life!

**AMY JERSEY (Phoebe)** - A summer resident of Cutchogue, Amy will be a sophomore at Clarkstown Senior High South in Rockland County. This is her first time on stage, but she has been involved in the Drama Club Workshops and backstage. Amy is also active in the school chorus and her church choir.

**SCOTT JERSEY (Corp. Billy Jester)** - Another summer resident, Scott was graduated from Clarkstown Senior High School South this June. He will be attending SUNY at Potsdam where he will study music. Scott has played the piano for 8 years, has written the musical score for a show, and writes and performs his own music.

**TOM KALISH (Pete)** - Tom has appeared in the Youth Players production of Dames at Sea, and in Oklahoma, Damn Yankees, and My Fair Lady. He is 18.

**STEVE KRISE (Fleet Foot)** - Steve, a migrant worked on a local potato farm, previously was employed as the Mayor of Dogpatch.

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## YOUNG LADIES FROM THE EASTCHESTER FINISHING SCHOOL

Cora ..... Tina Moffat  
Henrietta ..... Amie Lieblein  
Gwendolyn ..... Lauren Dickerson  
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## YOUNG GENTLEMEN OF THE UNITED STATES FOREST RANGERS

Pete ..... Thomas Kalish  
Slim ..... Dave Blackwell  
Tex ..... Bob Tirelli  
Buster ..... Jim Neumann  
Hank ..... John Anderson  
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Alan ..... Robert Dean  
Jack ..... John Jackson

## PRODUCTION STAFF

Musical Director ..... Alan Case  
General Assistant ..... Jack Moffat  
Choreography ..... Heather Cusack  
Stage Manager ..... Gordon Rogers  
Pianists ..... Alan Case and Jack Moffat  
Costumes ..... Mary Taber, Janet Freeman, Cheryl Case, Tina Moffat,  
Ceci Neumann, Angela Parathyras, and Robert Taylor.  
Set Design ..... Jed Clauss  
Prompter ..... Alex Carney  
Lighting Design ..... Charlie Scheer  
Lights ..... Eric Distenfeld, Sharon Nash, Tom Powers, Gordon Rogers  
Props ..... Peg Roache  
Make Up Design ..... Maureen Moffat  
Set Construction and Decoration ..... John Anderson, Lenny Archer, Jane Ashton,  
Monica Bailey, Dave Blackwell, Colleen Brennan, Alex Carney, Cheryl Case, Peter  
Chace, Heather Cusack, Robert Dean, Eric Distenfeld, Diane Feltham, John Jack-  
son, Amy Jersey, Scott Jersey, Tom Kalish, Tina Moffat, Sharon Nash, Denise  
Neumann, Jim Neumann, Mike Neumann, Andrea Parathyras, Angela Parathyras,  
Mary Powers, Tom Powers, Katie Rey, Gail Robinson, Gordon Rogers, Holly  
Sanford, Laurie Scheer, Bill Sousa, Robert Taylor, and Bob Tirelli.  
Stage Crew .... Monica Bailey, Diane Feltham, Gail McDermott, and Angela Parathyras  
Publicity ..... Kathleen Neumann and Bob Ackroyd  
Tickets and Box Office ..... Judy Utter  
House Manager ..... Trudi Bourne  
Awards ..... Alan Case  
Programs ..... Joanna Paulsen  
Photographer ..... Gale Durney

## SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

Time: Early in this Century

Place: The Colorado Inn, High in the Rocky Mountains

### ACT I

A Summer Afternoon

Scene 1: In Front of the Colorado Inn

Scene 2: The Garden

Scene 3: The Inn

Scene 4: The Primrose Path

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### ACT II

That Evening

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AMIE MARIE LIEBLEIN (Henrietta) - Amie lives in Greenport and will be a senior at Greenport High School this Fall. She plans to attend a State University of N.Y. after graduation and will study theatre. Some of the shows Amie has appeared in are George M, My Fair Lady, Damn Yankees, and Oklahoma. Last summer and fall, she took part in an acting workshop sponsored by the Cultural Resource Center in Greenport.

TINA MOFFAT (Cora) - This is actually Tina's second appearance on the NFCT stage though she doesn't remember the first — her mother was pregnant with her when she did Damn Yankees. Tina is in the 11th grade at Southold High School. She enjoys playing inter-scholastic sports such as softball and basketball. Tina was in Founder's Follies and was a member of the North Fork Music Festival Chorus.

DENISE NEUMANN (Mabel) - An 11th grader from Ramsey, New Jersey, Denise has appeared in several musicals including last year's Dames at Sea.

JIM NEUMANN (Buster) - Jim, an unemployed New Jersey resident, is posing as a Mattituck publishers. He has been seen in L'il Abner and Dames at Sea and worked lights for Brigadoon.

MIKE NEUMANN (Tom) - Also from New Jersey, Mike is in the 9th grade. This is his first (and we hope not last) appearance on stage.

MARY POWERS (Nancy Twinkle) - Mary has previously performed in leading roles in The Wizard of Oz and Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. She was the Artful Dodger in Oliver with the Maidstone Regional Theater and was Ruby in Dames at Sea.

GORDON ROGERS - Gordon lives in New York City during the winter and Cutchogue in the summer. He was the stage manager for Dames at Sea. Three years ago, he was in Brigadoon. Gordon attends the Baldwin School and will enter the 11th grade. He plans to major in art in college.

HOLLY SANFORD (Mme. Ernestine Von Liebedich) - Although Holly has never been in an NFCT show before, she has sung in All-County Chorus and sung and danced in The Greenport Bicentennial Show and Founder's Follies. Holly studies ballet at the Mattituck School of Dance, works at the Seafood Barge, and plans to attend college after graduating next year.

BILL SOUSA (Capt. Big Jim Warington) - Although this is Bill's first season with the NFCT, he has appeared in Mame, Of Thee I Sing, Frankenstein, and Rebel Without a Cause in Westhampton Beach High School. Bill studied theater for two years at college in Rhode Island and appeared in Anything Goes, Sweet Charity, Suddenly Last Summer, and Hello Dolly.

ROBERT TAYLOR (Chief Brown Bear) - This production marks Robert's 10th appearance on stage. At the NFCT he has appeared in Brigadoon, L'il Abner, and Dames at Sea in addition to working lights for The Pirates of Penzance. He is interested in water skiing, guitar playing, and writing. Robert is a sophomore at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute where he is studying electrical engineering.

BOB TIRELLI (Tex) - Bob is 15, has been in four plays, likes singing (did five solos), was born in the Bronx and moved out here when he was eleven.



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