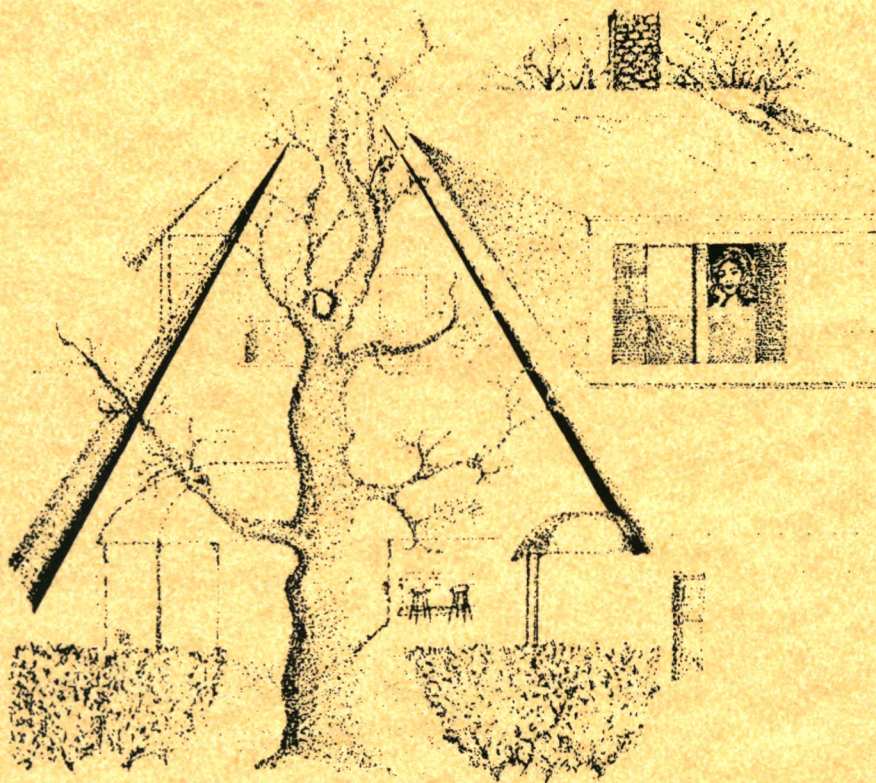


**THE NORTH FORK COMMUNITY THEATRE
SOUND AVENUE, MATTITUCK**

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A Play in Three Acts

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Directors
JED CLAUSS and GEORGE GRATTAN, SR.

Producer
JOANNA PAULSEN

Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

The Cast

Stage Manager	<i>Thomas Walsh</i>
Dr. Gibbs	<i>Ed Zaborowski</i>
Joe Crowell	<i>Colton Wands</i>
Howie Newsome	<i>David Boutcher</i>
Mrs. Julia Gibbs	<i>Eileen Sheldon</i>
Mrs. Myrtle Webb	<i>Mary Ann Sieczka</i>
George Gibbs	<i>J. G. Martinsen</i>
Rebecca Gibbs	<i>Joanne E. McNulty</i>
Wally Webb	<i>Kevin Christy</i>
Emily Webb	<i>Deborah Kruel</i>
Professor Willard	<i>Carol Gustafson</i>
Mr. Webb	<i>John Oliver Ashton</i>
Simon Stimson	<i>Art Wilks</i>
Organist	<i>Lee Steidel</i>
Mrs. Soames	<i>Nora Lynett</i>
Constable Warren	<i>James E. O'Neill</i>
Si Crowell	<i>Colton Wands</i>
Sam Craig	<i>George Grattan, Jr.</i>
Joe Stoddard	<i>Jim Christy</i>

People of the Town: *Harvey Bagshaw, Joe Beaudry, Dena Jaquillard, Mary Ellen Kelly, Agnes Lyons, Mary Motto, Debbie Sidlauskas, Lee Steidel, Susan Wands.*

**The entire play takes place in Grovers
Corners,
New Hampshire**
There will be two ten minute intermissions.

Production Staff

Stage Manager	Jim McKay
Assistant Stage Manager	Carol Gustafson
Set Design	Jed Clauss
Set Construction and Decoration	Dave Boutcher, Jed Clauss, Carol Gustafson, Debbie Sidlauskas, Tom Walsh
Lighting Design	Charlie Scheer
Lighting Crew	Jim Barney, Charlie Scheer
Costumes	Agnes Lyons, Deb Pinneo
Make-Up	Pam Barney, Joanna Paulsen, Phoebe Rey
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Debbie Kruel
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Biographies

John Oliver Ashton (Mr. Webb) — John has appeared in many guises at the NFCT including the title role in *A Man for All Seasons*, and leading roles in *Teahouse of the August Moon*, *Da*, and *Dracula*. His smallest role was in *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. But remember, there are no small parts — only small actors. This father of four became a grandfather earlier this year.

Harvey Bagshaw (Townsperson) — This is Harv's third show at the NFCT. He is very active and loves to perform when he can. He is editor of the Mattituck High School yearbook and is working at Barker's Pharmacy. One can find him singing and acting practically anywhere. Harv is a senior and hopes to study architecture and theater in college.

Joe Beaudry (Townsperson) — Joe plays the "2nd dead man". A lifetime resident of Laurel, this is his first experience in real acting. His brother who plays Howie Newsome talked him into it. Joe loves sports and is a die-hard Yankees fan — and he loves the Washington Redskins!

David Boutcher (Howie Newsome) — This is Dave's tenth season with the NFCT. His previous credits include *Kismet*, *Nightwatch*, *Of Thee I Sing*, *Brigadoon*, and *Inherit the Wind*.

Jim Christy (Joe Stoddard) — The NFCT has another new actor! Jim lives in Mattituck with his wife, Betty, and four children, Beth, Jim, Cathy, and Kevin. He is a guidance counselor at Mattituck High School who likes tennis and running.

Kevin Christy (Wally Webb) — Eight-year-old Kevin is a third grader at Mattituck Elementary School. He enjoys tennis, reading and theater. Last year Kevin appeared in *Some Enchanted Evening* at the NFCT and as the Pied Piper in his 2nd grade play.

George Grattan, Jr. (Sam Craig) — *Our Town* is Slick's sixth NFCT production, and certainly his most confusing due to all of the contenders for his name running around during rehearsals. He has been seen in the past four summer shows, most recently in *The Music Man*. George is a senior at Mattituck where he is enjoying absolutely everything as he waits to attend Holy Cross College in August.

Carol Gustafson (Prof. Willard) — *There's No Business Like Show Business!* at the NFCT, that is! Carol wishes that she could be in all the shows but her family, which has her heart, and a full time job keep her busy. She thanks God for the time she can spend on the stage though. Other appearances have been in *The Sound of Music* and *Gypsy*.

Dena Jaquillard (Townsperson) — Dena first started her acting career as a worm in the 2nd grade play. Then she went on to bigger and better things and, last spring won the role of a nun in *The Sound of Music*. Now she acts as a dead person.

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Mary Ellen Kelly (Townsperson) — Mary Ellen lives in Southold with her daughters, Sarah and Naomi. She has worked on sets and done make-up in past NFCT shows but this is her first time as part of the cast.

Deborah Krue (Emily Webb) — Twenty-three year old Debbie is thrilled to be back on the NFCT stage with such a challenging dramatic role. She has recently received her B.A. in theatre from the State University at Oneonta and spends most of her time auditioning on Long Island and in Manhattan. She is employed as a Nurse's Aide at the Riverhead Nursing Home. She would like to thank everyone involved with *Our Town* for their help in the development of the character Emily.

Nora Lynett (Mrs. Soames) — Nora has appeared at the Comedy Corner in San Diego, Theatre in the Round in Los Angeles (where she received the Aspiring Actress of the Year Award) and has appeared in television commercials and movies on the West Coast. She has now settled down on the East End of the beautiful North Fork where she plays the role of Mrs. Soames tonight and an administrative assistant Mondays through Fridays.

Agnes Lyons (Townsperson) — Although this is Agnes' first appearance on our stage she enjoyed a long career as a store detective in Bonwit Teller, A & S, and Saks Fifth Avenue in New York and Boston, and most recently in Sterns of Hampton Bays. She is an artist and some years ago appeared as a showgirl in *Gypsy* with Studio One.

Joanne E. McNulty (Rebecca) — This is Jo's first drama at the NFCT but she is no newcomer having most recently been seen as Zaneeta in last summer's production of *The Music Man*. Jo is absolutely one of the busiest seniors at Mattituck High being editor of both the yearbook and literary magazine. She lives in Laurel and hopes to attend either Boston College or Villanova University next fall.

J. G. Martinsen (George Gibbs) — Joe has been involved in a few plays over the years, the last two being *Plaza Suite* and *Mississippi Mud*. He can next be seen *hopefully* on Channel Six in a new comedy show. His greatest ambition is to never have a full-time job.

Mary Motto (Townsperson) — Mary lives in Mattituck and attends Mattituck High where she was in *Pippin* and the MHS Variety Show. Last summer Mary was in our production of *The Music Man*. She loves the theater and all the people involved with it. Besides plays and musicals, Mary likes sailboat racing, basketball, biking, tennis, and old wicker rocking chairs.

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James E. O'Neill (Constable Warren) — Thirty years ago Jim was transplanted from Brooklyn to Wading River. Four years ago he retired from the jewelry business and began working with Suffolk Community College. He has six boys, four girls, five grandchildren, and a dog named Herbert Hoover.

Eileen Sheldon (Julia Gibbs) — Eileen has appeared in nearly every musical at the NFCT since *Kismet* in 1975 — *Of Thee I Sing*, *Calamity Jane*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Applause*, *Forum*, *Company*, and most recently as the Mother Abbess in *Sound of Music*. She has also appeared with the Riverhead Faculty and Community Theatre and the Shoreham Wading River Community Players. A cameo role in *Da* was Eileen's only other attempt at straight drama. She is the mother of six "beautiful" children and the secretary to the Airport Manager at Suffolk County Airport. Her children's birthday present, a trip to Ireland last May, was a dream-come-true and she is eager to return . . . and gather more stardust and blarney from the "Little People", no doubt.

Debbie Sidlauskas (Townsperson) — When not at the theater, Debbie enjoys her husband and three children. Previously seen in *Harvey* as Miss Johnson and *The Sound of Music* as Frau Schmidt, the question arises, "Would she sooner be dead than a maid?"

Mary Ann Siczka (Myrtle Webb) — Having been house manager, ticket lady, usher, and light person, Mary Ann is a fixture around the theater. This show, however, is her stage debut and she's having fun with it. Her husband, Joe, and children, Liz, Mike and Michelle have all been on stage — so why not Mom? In her spare time she is proprietress of Tic Tac Toys on Love Lane in Mattituck.

Lee Steidel (Organist) — Another senior at Mattituck High, Lee has been involved with the NFCT for several summer shows. When this production is over, Lee plans to become an organ donor.

Thomas Walsh (Stage Manager) — A resident of Mount Sinai, Tom's first appearance with the NFCT was in the last production, *Plaza Suite*, where he played Sam Nash, the overworked executive. Tom is studying acting at the Teucher-Lesly School.

Colton Wands (The Crowell Boys) — Colton has 12 years experience in life, however this is his first play. He is in the 7th grade at Middle Island Junior High and enjoys playing soccer and football.

Susan Wands (Townsperson) — Before moving to Middle Island, Susan was involved with the Douglaston Community Theatre for three years. During last season's production of *Tea and Sympathy*, Sue worked backstage. She looks forward to more involvement with the NFCT.

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Art Wilks (Simon Stimson) — Art comes from a small town in western Pennsylvania, and, like you, feels he knows the people in this play. He hasn't been back for a long time, but they still live there. Art enjoys character roles and Simon is different from any character he has done before. Simon has been a challenge in many ways. Art likes Simon and hopes you do too. In the past Art has mentioned his family. As an update — his oldest daughter is to graduate from New Paltz this spring.

Ed Zaborowski (Dr. Gibbs) — Ed has appeared (and then mysteriously vanished again) in several NFCT productions including *Barefoot in the Park*, *Company*, *Some Enchanted Evening*, and *Gypsy*. This aspiring thespian (sounds like a rare disease) has also graced the stage of the Riverhead Faculty Community Theatre in such glorious musical productions as *The Boy Friend* (as an Italian pisan), *Once Upon a Mattress* (prancing about in yellow tights) and most recently in *My Fair Lady* (as an engaging, though never married, Hungarian professor). A Riverhead native (and often restless), he still resides there largely because no other town will have him. He would like to dedicate his performances to Barry and Frances Wenig who know what it's like to spend time in *Our Town*.

Jed Clauss (Director) — "After ten years, I'm still trying."

George Grattan, Sr. (Director) — Before retiring in June 1985, George was chairman and teacher in both the English and Drama departments at Mattituck High. Although making his debut with the NFCT, he directed numerous productions at Chaminade, Bethpage, and Mattituck High Schools. George is looking forward to involvement in future productions at the NFCT.

Joanna Paulsen (Producer) — Although she's not been very visible in the past few seasons, how many of the shows that Joanna's produced did you see? *Country Girl*, *A Man for All Seasons*, *Inherit the Wind*, *The Pirates of Penzance*, *Once Upon a Mattress*, *6 Rms Riv Vu*, *Teahouse of the August Moon*, *Anything Goes*, *Oklahoma!*, and now, *Our Town*.

Sit back, relax, and enjoy!

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