

**Stage Coach Players  
PRESENTS**



# NOT NOW DARLING

a Farce ABOUT MISTRESSES AND MINKS

**By Ray Cooney  
and John Chapman**



Directed by Tim Ball

October 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 2012  
at 8:00 pm

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# NOT NOW DARLING

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# CAST

In order of appearance

Arnold Crouch . . . . . Steve Challgren  
Miss Whittington . . . . . Diane Ledbetter  
Miss Tiptdale . . . . . Fara Maniaci  
Mrs. Frencham . . . . . D'Ann Hamilton  
Gilbert Bodley . . . . . Dan Hyde  
Harry McMichael. . . . . Shawn Skau  
Janie McMichael . . . . . Erin Philpott  
Mr. Frencham . . . . . Bernie Schuneman  
Sue Lawson . . . . . Barbara Kolb  
Maude Bodley . . . . . Barbara Andree  
Mr. Lawson . . . . . Michael Mattingly

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# crew

Director . . . . . Tim Ball  
Stage Manager . . . . . Jeanna Hunter Rosene  
Costumer . . . Joanne Gardner, Janet Rosenburg, Rebecca Gardner  
Props . . . . . Kathy Hewitt  
Assistant Props. . . . . Linda Ball  
Light Design . . . . . Todd Toles  
Master Set Builder . . . . . Terry Racine  
Hair . . . . . Roberta Maxfield  
Set Construction & Painting Terry Racine, Barb Kolb, Barb  
Andree, Tim Ball, Steve Challengren, D'Ann Hamilton, Kathy  
Hewitt, Jeanna Hunter, Dan Hyde, Sam Kolb, Diane Ledbetter,  
Dave Pearson, Bernie Schuneman, Tammy Shelton, Shawn Skau

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# BIOS



## **Barbara Andree** – Maude Bodley

Barbara is happy to be onstage with this talented, funny cast. Stage Coach has been a part of her life for more than 15 years - as an actor, stage manager, director, and, most recently, program/poster/ad coordinator. She received the SCOTY Stage Coacher of the Year award in 2007 and last appeared on stage in 2008's *The Curious Savage*. She works at NIU's College of Health & Human Sciences. Darlings, enjoy the show!



## **Steve Challgren** – Arnold Crouch

Steve is thrilled to be appearing in his eighth show at Stagecoach Theatre as furrier Arnold Crouch. Some of Steve's previous roles include officer Kersnowski in *Earth and Sky*, Tim in *Noises Off*, and Harker in *Dracula*. His most recent appearance was last year in *Father of the Bride* in which he played George Banks. Steve is grateful to be a part of this cast and would like to thank his wife and two daughters for their support.



## **D'Ann Hamilton** – Mrs. Frencham

D'Ann is delighted to be involved with this fun production. D'Ann lives in DeKalb and has been active in Stage Coach Players, both onstage and off, since the 1980s. At Stagecoach, she has portrayed Dotty in *Noises Off*, Linda Loman in *Death of a Salesman*, Mrs. Kendal in *Elephant Man*, Suzette in *Don't Dress for Dinner*, and Ouiser Boudreaux in *Steel Magnolias*. Her favorite role, however, is friend, companion, and fiancé to a real peach of a gentleman. And while juggling work, travel, and rehearsals, it may be not now, darling; but when this is over...



## **Dan Hyde** – Gilbert Bodley

Dan is delighted to be part of this hilarious Stage Coach production. He has been involved with Stage Coach for three years and is in his eleventh production either on stage or back stage. Previous roles include Oliver Hix (Barbershop Quartet) in *The Music Man*, Officer Welch in *Rumors*, and Mr. Fezziwig in the 2010 production of *Christmas Carol*. He was also co-stage manager for this summer's production of *Guys and Dolls*. Dan is employed by NIU as an IT coordinator and is a Stage Coach Board member. He wants thank his wife Debbie for her patience and support.

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**Barbara Kolb** – Sue Lawson

Barbara has been "active" in Stage Coach for almost 20 years, on and off stage. Past productions on stage include *Play It Again Sam*, *Communicating Doors*, *A Christmas Carole*, *Come Back to the Five and Dime Jimmy Dean*, *Jimmy Dean*, *The Odd Couple*, and *The Moon is Down*. Set designs/decor include *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*, *Inherit the Wind*, *It Runs in the Family*, *Play It Again Sam*, and this production of *Not Now Darling*.



**Diane Ledbetter** – Miss Whittington

Diane first became familiar with DeKalb when she attended NIU starting in 1994. Diane and her family became residents in 2002. Though she is a newcomer to Stage Coach Theatre she had numerous roles in plays at West Chicago Community High School where she graduated from in 1990.



**Fara Maniaci** – Miss Tiptdale

Fara is performing in her second Stage Coach production. She graduated from Northern Illinois University with a BFA in theatre arts with an emphasis in dance performance. She works at Illinois Community Credit Union, Barnes and Noble, and teaches dance. Currently, she is studying therapeutic massage at Kishwaukee College and will graduate in September 2013.



**Michael Mattingly** – Mr. Lawson

Michael was recently seen in his first theatrical experience playing the part of Benedick in the Stage Coach presentation of William Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*, as well as being seen purchasing a new red hoodie from Target. (What? It was on sale!) He can also be found on stage with local music group Sound Foundry, which he plays lead guitar and background vocals. He lives in Sycamore and currently works for a nationwide business solutions corporation as part of the Midwest Service Excellence team (which sounds much more impressive than it really is). He has an unhealthy affection for the color purple, and the word "spatula" (or any word that sounds dirty but isn't, for that matter).



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read cold readings as needed. Ages 8 to 80**



**Erin Philpott** – Janie McMichael

Erin is thrilled to debut at Stagecoach Players with this gem of a production. A recent transplant from the stages of Chicago, Erin has worked in theatre for 28 years. Professionally, for the past 15. She has been found on the stage, behind the scenes (choreographing fights) and in the director's chair. Recent regional credits include *Waste Mis-Management* with Pec Playhouse, *Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and *Bleacher Bums* with MSP of Boone County, and this winter you can catch her in *It's a Wonderful Life: The Radio Play* with Artists' Ensemble in Rockford. Off the stage she teaches acting and stage combat at Spotlight Youth Theatre. Thanks to her incredibly supportive husband, Charlie, her beautiful Olivia, and to you.



**Bernie Schuneman** – Mr. Frencham

Bernie has been a member of StageCoach since 1989, appearing in numerous shows, building seemingly countless sets, and serving on the board in various capacities. He had planned on taking this summer off to work on his son's wedding, but is glad that Tim asked him to join the cast as he has a particular fondness for English farces. He lives in Sycamore with his lovely wife Nancy and his daughter Sara. He has worked at NIU for over 30 years in the IT department. In his spare time Bernie is a member of the house and grounds crew at Stage Coach, doing little projects to help keep the building standing.



**Shawn Skau** – Harry McMichael

Shawn is in his sixth production with Stage Coach Players. He was last seen as Bob Cratchit in last year's *A Christmas Carol*. He would like to thank Tim and the rest of the cast for making this an amazing show.



**Tim Ball** – Director

Tim is thoroughly thrilled to be directing his second Ray Cooney comedy, *Not Now Darling*. He has been involved with Stage Coach Players since 1989 as an actor, director, stage manager, board member and chair of several committees. Of the plays he's directed, *Arsenic and Old Lace*, *Postmortem* and *And Then There Were None* are among his favorites at Stage Coach along with the first Ray Cooney play he directed at Indian Valley Theatre, *Funny Money*.



**Jeanna Hunter** – Stage Manager

Jeanna often works behind the scenes at SCP. She has worked as a costumer, producer, stage manager and props mistress, and, along the way, has filled in as a sound board operator, and a light board operator. She is a member of the SCP Board of Directors. Thank you to the cast and crew for making this show a lot of fun. A special thanks to my family for all their love and support.

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Bob Cain, Cracker Jax, Gloria Dennison, Immanuel Lutheran Church,  
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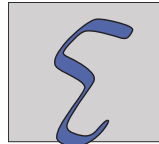
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