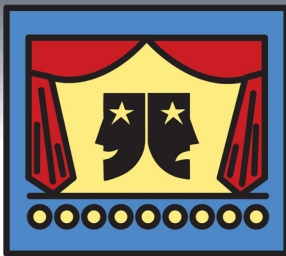


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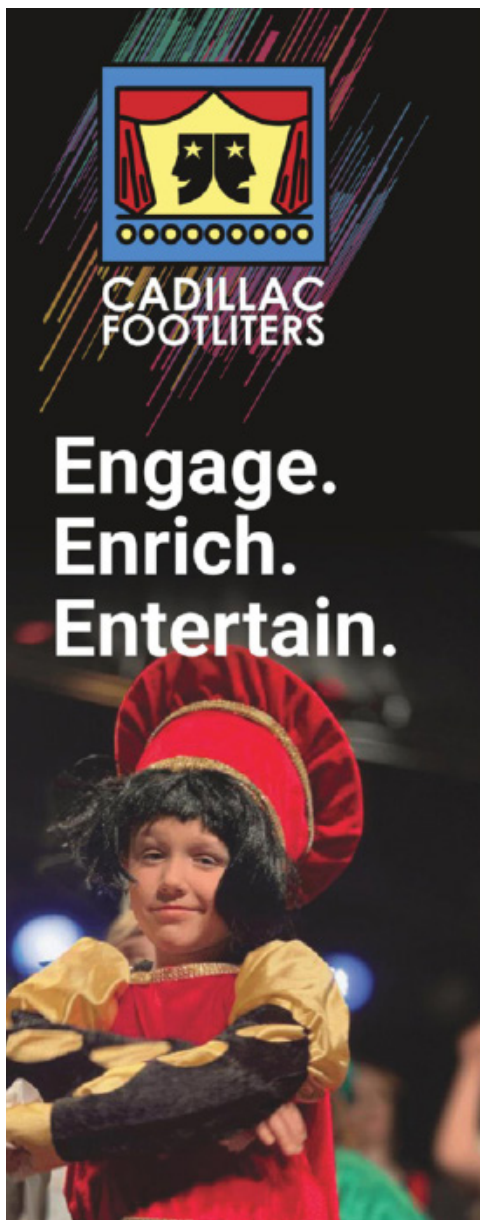
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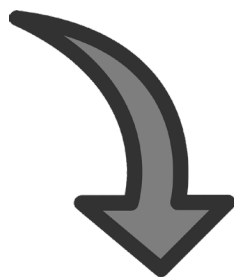
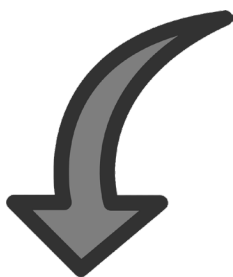
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CAST

Leslie Benson - This is Leslie's first show with Footliters and she wonders what took her so long to overcome her reluctance to audition and get involved! She is enjoying every aspect of the experience – the cast, the directors, the rehearsals, the fun, the challenge! She is grateful for the opportunity to join the Footliters family.

Heather Brannam - This is Heather's sixth production onstage with the Cadillac Footliters; however she has been involved with many more productions as back stage manager, producer and front of the house manager. Now that she is an empty nester, she looks forward to more opportunities both onstage and off.

Jacob Johnson - Jacob Johnson has been with the Footliters since 2019. He performed his first ever Footliters performance in *The Addams Family* as the handsome Lucas Beineke. Ever since then, he has been in *Mamma Mia* and recently, in *Tony N' Tina's Wedding*. He is so beyond grateful to be part of this show and to work with such incredible and talented people. But most importantly, he hopes you all enjoy the show!

Jill Kanouse - This is Jill's first time ever being a part of a Cadillac Footliters play. After a few years of encouragement from a couple coworkers, she decided to give it a whirl.

Brandon C. Peltier - Brandon is honored and privileged to be a part of Too Much Throwing of the Bathwater with a Baby (or whatever it is called). Brandon has been a part of the Footliters for more than 10 years with notable roles in *Annie* (Daddy Warbucks), *Boeing Boeing* (Bernard), *The Producers* (Franz Liebkind) and *Little Shop of Horrors* (The Dentist). He would like to thank his wife Ami for her support and comic notes and Julie for telling him to turn it down a notch.

Hunter Reynolds - Hunter has always had a love for theater and the performing arts. He has been in various shows throughout his high-school career, but hasn't been on stage since. Hunter is exhilarated to be taking the stage with this show and can't thank the Footliters enough for the opportunity.

Meg Santangelo - Meg has been with Footliters since 2018. She relishes her roles both on stage and behind the scenes. She is always amazed at the talent we have in our Community. She really enjoyed the challenges of this unique production and the process involved in bringing it to the stage.

Barbara Sicoli - Barbara is appearing on stage for her fourth Footliters show, most recently playing Tina in "Tony n' Tina's Wedding." When she's not portraying loud, obnoxious characters, she is out in the community being loud and obnoxious like at her place of employment, Pine River Area Schools, or her kids' MANY extra curricular activities. On a serious note: Barbara is thrilled to share the stage with an amazingly talented cast and crew and is thankful to our patrons for supporting community theatre! PS: Love you Alex and Rylee! ❤️ Mom

Jay Simon - A Footliters member since 2017, Jay realized a couple weeks ago that he's never talked so much about his hands in his life. He's grateful to his long-suffering wife for her support of his shenanigans, and to you for your support of both the Footliters and the arts in Cadillac.



Front Row, L to R: Hunter Reynolds, Jacob Johnson, Meg Santangelo, Director Julie VanHaitsma. Back Row: Barbara Sicoli, Brandon C. Peltier, Jill Kanouse, Heather Brannam, Jay Simon, Leslie Benson, Asst Director Jenni Kirt, Asst Director Ami Peltier, Stage Manager/Lighting Designer Jennifer Neff.

PRODUCTION TEAM

Julie VanHaitsma (Director) - Julie cherishes utilizing her creative side through directing – especially unique, new shows like this one. She has directed so many different shows over the years that she doesn't like to say how many (because unless she was directing over 25 plays each year, it just makes her sound...old). She loves these actors and the Footliters family. She particularly thanks her daughter, Grace, and the Aquinas Theater Department, for introducing her to "Too Much Light...."

Jenni Kirt (Assistant Director) - Jenni has been a member of Footliters since 2021 and has enjoyed being involved in shows both onstage and behind the scenes. This is her first time being a part of the directing team. It has been a privilege to assist in directing such a talented cast in this fun, unique show!

Ami Peltier (Assistant Director) - Funny statement about why Ami Peltier is thrilled to be the Official Comedy Consultant™ for 30NFPFTMLMBGB:30P60M. Heartfelt list of reasons she is incredibly proud of the talented cast. Pot shot at husband, who is in the cast but who is on her nerves because he just spilled milk on the clean kitchen floor. Bragging statement disguised as self-effacing joke about previous writing and directing credits followed by sincerely grateful statement for her family.

Jennifer Neff (Stage Manager/Lighting Design) - Jen got involved with Footliters when her daughter auditioned for the Jr. production of *The Little Mermaid* several years ago. Since then, she has directed, been a part of several production teams and serves as the Footliters Board Vice President. This show has been so much fun and showcases another unique way to partner with our local businesses and engage, enrich and entertain our audiences.


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A Message From Our President, Joseph Baumann

Our 59th year here in Cadillac, engaging, enriching, and entertaining – is nearly halfway done. After the hilarious 39 Steps and our two sold out performances of Tony & Tina’s wedding, we have something else new for you. Thank you for trusting us and giving this quirky show a chance. Because “quirky” is part of our Strategic Plan.

Ok. You’ll not find the word “quirky” in our Strategic Plan, but you will find that a key focus of our last three (and next three) years has been and will remain – taking risks to bring our community something new. Something new to engage with and, hopefully, entertain.

Because theatre can’t just be big musicals – like Season 58’s Mamma Mia, although they fill seats and pay bills. And it can’t just be named comedies like Clue or 39 Steps, even though they are awful fun. To expand our vision and extend our grasp, we must take risks with a show like the one you’re going to see today.

Sometimes, when done right, art doesn’t have to (and maybe shouldn’t) be about paying the bills – it can be about enriching community. Its citizens. Its supporters. Art can help us see something new, see it in a different way, or, even, feel differently about the people around us. Let this little show in – and tell your friends. Your past and future support makes “taking risks” possible.

If you like what you see or even just support our vision and mission, I ask you to do one thing after you get home from the show – follow us on Facebook, like us on Instagram, and tell your friends that Cadillac just keeps getting better.



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Directors' Note

It was a step of faith to add this show to our 59th season, only because of it's odd and unfamiliar title. But it is so unique, fun and entertaining, that I wanted to give it a try. The cast has had so much fun putting this together; it is challenging and simple at the same time. It's a bit frightening to get up on stage and not know exactly how things are going to play out over the performance (pun intended!).

I have very much enjoyed working with this group of actors and exploring a different style of theater. We hope you enjoy it as well.

Julie VanHaitsma
Director

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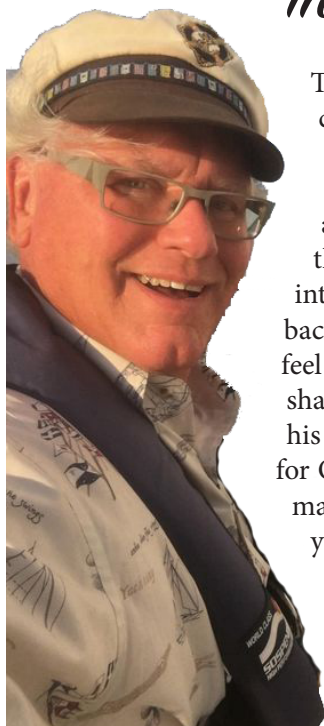
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Pat was an ever-present force at every community event, clapping loudly in our audiences, and doing anything asked of him backstage. When he wasn't in the audience or backstage, he was telling YOU how integral you were to that event – whether you were backstage, on stage, or in the audience -- he made you feel like it couldn't happen without YOU. The Footliters shares that feeling, but now we all feel a little lost without his beating heart and soul giving us a hug, thanking us for OUR talent, and imploring us all to do something to make our slice of the world just a little better. We miss you Pat.

Everyone listed below gave generously to the Footliters this year, in Pat's memory, and we thank them for their generosity and for remembering Pat with their selflessness.

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