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**Romantic Comedy** 

# **BUS STOP**

by William Inge

**Dinner** Theatre

at

Lucy Ho's

Bamboo Restaurant

February 15, 16, 17

Dinner 6 p.m. Show 8 p.m.

.February 18

Lunch 12:30 p.m. Show 2 p.m.

#### Dear Theatre-Goers,

LVAC Theatre Guild thanks you for stopping at our "Bus Stop," and hopes that you enjoy this intimate setting where the audience becomes a part of the action.

From our parent organization's (LVAC) production of "The Mousetrap" last spring, through the four shows of the 1989-1990 season, this fledgling group's aim is to provide quality community theatre for those who want to participate directly in dramatic productions and to those who want to participate directly in dramatic productions and to those who prefer to watch and be entertained. As we are now planning the 1990-1991 season, we would like your evaluation of how well we have succeeded so far in accomplishing our goal. Please take a moment to make your comments in the space below and hand it to a name-tagged Guild member.

Another of our goals for the future is a home of our own. Toward that end, we offer several levels of sponsorship proceeds of which go into an interest-earning Building Fund. You will find the contribution levels with descriptive titles listed elsewhere in this program. We invite you to join us in "theatre building!"

Again, thank you for supporting LVAC Theatre Guild with your presence at "Bus Stop."

Theatrically yours,

Jeanne Ginnie.

Joanne Griner President

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WHAT I LIKE ABOUT '89-90 SEASON?

WHAT I DIS-LIKE ABOUT "89-90 SEASON?

WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE DONE IN '90-91?

# **SEASON SHOWS**

PREMIER	THE MOUSETRAP
SUMMER	THEY'RE PLAYING OUR SONG
WINTER	BUS STOP
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# 1989-90 Board of Directors And Officers

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# **GENERAL MEETINGS**

Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at the LVAC Cultral Center, 1204 N. Patterson St.



# BUS STOP

3 - Act Romance by William Inge

Produced by Special Arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

# CAST

## (IN ORDER OF THEIR APPEARANCE)

Elma Duckworth, waitress	Blair Barnett
Grace Hoylard, restaurant owner	Denise Steptoe
Will Masters, sheriff	Jerry Ellis
Cherie, a chanteuse	Kim Parker
Dr. Lyman, a former professor	Micheal Lowe
Carl, a bus driver	Hugh Brown
Virgil Blessing, a ranch hand	Phillip Barr
Bo Decker, a young rancher	Warren Woods

# **SCENES**

The action of the play takes place in a streetcorner restaurant in a small town about thirty miles west of Kansas City.

> ACT I A Night In Early March, 1:00 a.m. ACT II A Few Minutes Later ACT III Early Morning, About 5:00 a.m.

# **PRODUCTION STAFF**

DIRECTOR	Robert Nulph
PRODUCER	Joanne Griner
STAGE MANAGER	
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	Charles Green
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American Glass & Mirror Co. Cooper Equipment Contracting Dowling Bag Company Georgia Gulf Sulphur Radney Plumbing Ray Rushing and Valdosta Tech Welding Dept. Scruggs Concrete Co. Stage Front Lighting (Savannah, Ga.) Valdosta Parks & Recreation Dept.

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I am enclosing my contribution in the amount of

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## WHO'S WHO In **"BUS STOP"**

#### Phillip Barr (Virgil)

In real life Phillip is in the wholesale diamond jewelry business. A graduate of Valdosta State College, he appeared in seven plays during his college years, including "Bus Stop", "Brigadoon", "New Moon," "HMS Pinafore," "The Tender Trap," and "Berkley Square." In civic theatre, he has appeared in "Paint Your Wagon," "Mary, Mary," and the operas, "Merry Wives of Windsor," and "Die Fledermaus." More recently, he appeared in "No Greater Love," a religious drama written by his father, Robert Barr. He enjoys reading, public speaking, singing, and traveling with his family. Phillip is a member of Toastmasters International and a former member of the Singing Americans and the Valdosta Choral Guild.

#### Blair Barnette (Elma)

Blair has enjoyed acting, singing, and dancing since she was a small child. Among community theatre, school, and college productions, she has recently worked professionally with "The Fable Factory" in Gainesville, Florida and "Trumpet In the Land" in New Philadelphia, Ohio. Future plans include study in the opera field and cinema.

#### Hugh Brown (Carl)

Hugh is making his second stage appearance for the LVAC Theatre Guild. As an actor, his first appearance was in "Auntie Mame" as "Mr. Babcock." Valdosta audiences heard him, however, when he played percussion for the musical, "They're Playing Our Song." Hugh is dispatcher and Driver Manager with MedTran Services, Inc.

#### Roland Chisolm (Stage Manager)

Roland is taking on a new personal challenge in serving as Stage Manager for "Bus Stop." His Valdosta stage experience has been limited to on-stage performances and technical work for "Auntle Mame" and offstage voice-overs and lighting for "They're Playing Our Song." Roland looks forward to this challenge, however, with a smile on his lips, a song in his heart, and crossed fingers behing his back.

#### Jerry Ellis (Will)

Jerry was born and raised in Alabama. He is married to the former Carmen Baggett and they have five children. He is retired from the United States Air Force where he spent 28 years in the Aircraft maintenance field. Jerry is now employed as a Meterials Manager by Dowling Bag Company. This is his "first ever attempt at acting."

#### Joanne Griner ("Bus Stop" Producer)

Joanne recently played in the Guild's fall production of "Auntie Mame," as "Mame." She also played "Mrs. Boyle" in "The Mousetrap" last spring. She is employed by Dowling Bag Company in the Accounting Department and serves as President of the LVAC Theatre Guild.

#### Micheal Lowe (Dr. Lyman)

Micheal makes his Valdosta debut with this performance. Previously, he has performed in such roles as "Gollum" in the "Hobbit," "Bill Sikes" in "Oliver Twist", and "Gramps" in "The Boy With Green Hair." As ventriloquist, Max Wolf, he has extensive performance experience with The Wolfman's Review. He dedicates this performance to the memory of Terry Thomas, "the ultimate snoot."

## WHO'S WHO CONTINUED

#### Robert Nulph ("Bus Stop" Director)

Robert is new to the LVAC Theatre Guild but not to the theatre scene. A Pennsylvania native, he has over 15 years of experience on and off stage. As an actor, Robert has appeared as the "Pirate King" in "Pirates of Penzance," "Oscar" in "Sweet Charity" (both at Valdosta State College), "Marco" in "View From The Brudge" at Claris, Pennsylvania, and many others. He has worked professionally as a technical director/designer for a number of community and regional theatres and has directed at the high school, college, and community levels. His most recent directing experience was a television movie produced at VSC and soon to be seen on local and regional cable.

#### Kim Parker (Cherie)

Kim is a Valdosta native who took drama classes in junior high and high school. She had parts in school and church plays, but this is her first stage appearance in about 10 years. Kim is employed by the Department of Family and Children Services here in Lowndes County. Her hobbies include dancing, reading, swimming, and horseback riding.

#### Denise Steptoe (Grace)

Denise is a Language Arts/Drama teacher at Echols County School in Statenville, Georgia. She has been involved in theatre since her high school days. She has graced the stage in numerous supporting and lead roles including "Carrie Pipperidge" in "Carousel," "Ado Annie" in "Oklahoma," and "Ellie Mae Chipley" in "Showboat." Denise recently made her debut with LVAC Theatre Guild as "Sally Catp McDougal" in the fall production of "Auntie Mame."

#### Warren Woods (Bo)

Warren is from Seattle, Washington, presently serving in the United States Air Force at Moody, AF Base. He played the adult, "Patrick" in <u>"Auntie Mame,"</u> the Guild's most recent production. Warren is a model, plays the trumpet, and reads, writes, and speaks a very good German.

#### **VSC SEASON**

HENRY IV Pt. 1...Nov. 28,29,30 Dec. 1,2, 8:15 p.m. Sawyer Theatre THE LOCAL SCENE ... Feb. 1,2,3,5,6, 8:15 p.m. Feb. 4 3:00 p.m.

Lab Theatre HANSEL AND GRETEL ... Feb. 16 8:15 p.m. Feb. 17 10:30 a.m.

> Lab Theatre Phone 333-5973

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