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**From the President  
And the Board**

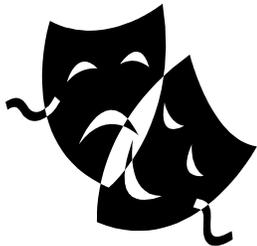
Greetings Community Theater Lovers!!!

Happy New Year! We hope that your holidays were terrific, and that your new year is starting off bright. After the rousing success of our first two shows, "Enchanted April" and "A Little Murder Never Hurt Anybody," we are in the home stretch, with two more fine productions coming your way. First up is the multiple Tony-award winning musical "How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying," (see further in this newsletter for more details on this show), and then Bob Hastings brings us the hilarious Ken Ludwig comedy, "Moon Over Buffalo."

We highly encourage one and all to turn out to these fine shows showcasing the terrific talent that we have available to us. We will also be announcing our shows for the 2013/2014 season during the musical in February, so be on the lookout for that. Hope to see you soon!

Yours in support of community theater,

Leroy Morgan, President, and the 2012/2013 Board of Directors.



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## **\*\*Notice from the BSP Board\*\***

**Open Nominations  
for Black Swamp Players Officers 2013-14  
and Three Board Members 2013-2015**

***Here is a GREAT way to be more involved with BSP!***

The nominating committee will accept nominations for President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, all one year terms beginning June 1, 2013 and continuing through May 31, 2014. We will also accept nominations for the three governing board members, all of which are two year terms beginning June 1, 2013 and continuing through May 31, 2015.

It doesn't take much to be qualified to serve on the Board...all you have to be is a current due paying member of Black Swamp Players! So if you desire to nominate a member for any of these positions, or would like to place your own name in contention, please contact us at [bsplayer@wcnnet.org](mailto:bsplayer@wcnnet.org) no later than April 1, 2013.

# BSP AND AL SMITH'S CHRYSLER \* JEEP DODGE & DODGE TRUCK PRESENT

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J. Pierpont Finch (**Michael Barlos**), a young but bright window-cleaner buys a book - "How To Succeed In Business" and following its advice joins the multi-national but poorly-connected "World-Wide Wicket Company." Starting from the mail-room he rises to Vice-President in Charge Of Advertising using sneaky and dubious ways so that the person above him gets either fired or moved to another section of the company. He also starts slowly falling in love with secretary Rosemary Pilkington (**Alisha Bond**). Meanwhile, the president of the WWWC, J.B. Biggley (**Guy Zimmerman**), tries to have an affair with drop-dead gorgeous bubble-head Hedy LaRue (**Kaileigh Buckley**), but she becomes a weapon used both by Finch and Bud Frump (**Bob Marzola**), Biggley's brattish and annoying nephew who believe that he should get all the breaks and not Finch. Finch meets some other delightful characters on his way to the top, including Smitty (**Rhianon Cowden**), Bratt (**Matt Zwyer**), Gatch (**Billy Tayek**), Miss Jones (**Susannah Lock**), Mr. Twimble (**Joel Logsdon**), Womper (**Vincent Gibbs**), Miss Krumholtz (**Kimbi Nagel**), Tackaberry (**Adam Frost**), and Ovington (**Dylan Coale**). Most importantly, rounding out Finch's journey in the world of the wicket business is an extremely talented cast:

Alyssa Pike, Brenda Pike, Taylor Martin, Micala Behrens, Carrie Swartz, Libby Ruch, Nathaniel Naugle, Zachary Robb, Kimberly Westmeyer, Katelyn Huffman, Emily Waters, Cole Dewulf, Mike Fuhrman, William Cagle, Brittany Sharp, Kelsey Escue, Demetrius Ingram, Grace O'Hare, Jailyn Harris, Elias Dandar, Anne Clark, Joyce Johnson, and Angelo Crenshaw.

Can Finch rise to the top? Of course...but getting there will be all the fun...for the cast, and for YOU! Great music by the incomparable Frank Loesser! Directed by Kathy Barnes, Choreographed by Bob Marzola, and Musical Direction by Matt Zwyer!

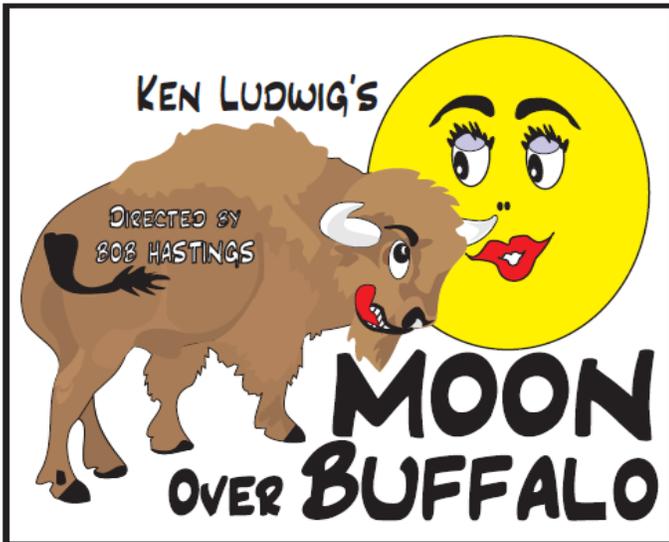
A spectacular evening of entertainment guaranteed to please absolutely everyone.

Performances are at the First Methodist Church in Bowling Green on **February 15-17 and 21-24**.

Tickets are available at Grounds for Thought in downtown Bowling Green,  
or at the door for \$14 adults and \$12 seniors and students.



# COMING UP NEXT



**Moon Over Buffalo** was playwright Ken Ludwig's first big success on Broadway and has been a favorite with the Community Theatre groups world wide. The "Players" presented this show at our Mall Theatre a number of years ago with Fort Findlay Player veterans Jim Toth and Bonnie Froelich in the lead roles. Bob Hastings (that's me) has been offering

Ludwig's more recent successes the past two years and has decided to bring back the show that started theatre crowds laughing again. Here's the plot...Charlotte and George Hay, an acting couple not exactly the **Lunts**, are on tour in in1953 Buffalo with a repertory consisting of *Cyrano de Bergerac*, "the revised, one nostril version" and **Noel Coward's** *Private Lives*. Ludwig's backstage farce, he's the author of ***Lend Me A Tenor*** (BSP 2011) and ***Leading Ladies*** (BSP 2012), is about to give Charlotte, a grease paint diva, and George, her megalomaniac, drunken husband and leading man, a one time shot at the Big Time. Fate has given these shaky thespians one more shot at starring roles in *The Scarlet Pimpernel* epic and director **Frank Capra** himself is en route to Buffalo to catch their matinee performance. Will Charlotte appear or run off with their agent? Will George be sober enough to emote? Will Capra see de *Cyrano*, *Private Lives* or a disturbing mixture of the two? Hilarious misunderstandings pile on madcap misadventures, in this valentine to theatre hams everywhere. (How's that for theatre review? Am I ready for Entertainment Tonight?)

**Note of explanation for the "disgustingly" young and/or theatrically uninformed readers of this synopsis:** The "**Lunts**", Alfred Lunt and wife Lynn Fontaine, were considered the most famous acting team of all time...of course, that was until Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie came along!!!! Ha! "**Noel Coward**" was an English playwright, composer, director, singer, and actor, best known in the 30's, 40's and 50's. "**Frank Capra**" was a famous film director, perhaps best known for his Christmas tear jerker, ***It's a Wonderful Life***. I know...the synopsis is still confusing...but the play is hilarious.

**So, be there!**



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FOR 2012-2013 SEASON**

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**TICKET INFORMATION**

Plays - \$12 adult, \$10 for Students and Seniors  
The Musical - \$14 for Adults, \$12 for Students and Seniors

**GREAT GROUP DEALS FOR BSP PRODUCTIONS!**

- A) Discount ticket prices for 10 or more attending all together
- B) Buy the House!!! BSP will Sell the House for an extra show for your group (excepting the musical)

\*Email BSP or contact Leroy to take advantage of the deals\*



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