

Santa Clara Players

Present

Harvey

By Mary Chase



February 22 - March 16, 2013

Production Staff

Producer Jim Narveson
Director. Marian Narveson
Assistant Director Karie Vaughan
Stage Manager Michael Antonucci
Set Design. Marian and Jim Narveson
Lighting Design. George Doeltz
Costumes. Amy Conners, Jill Schwinn
Set Construction and Decoration Jim & Marian Narveson
George Doeltz, Craig Leventon
Diane Sutherland, Maxine Lukins
Production Flyer and Program George Doeltz
Technical Operator Michael Antonucci
Box Office. George Doeltz
Opening Night Reception. Maxine Lukins, Irma McCrory
Debbie Doeltz, SCP Board
Opening Night Flowers Daisy Palmer
Portrait of Harvey & Elwood. Ron Garcia

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Cast of Characters

Myrtle Mae Simmons	Jenni Gebhardt
Veta Louise Simmons	Sheila Ellam
Elwood P. Dowd	Steve Corelis
Mrs. Ethel Chauvenet	Pat Cross
Ruth Kelly, R.N.	Christine Le
Duane Wilson	Mark Rosen
Lyman Sanderson, M.D.	Alan Glover
William R. Chumley, M.D.	Steve Lewis
Betty Chumley	Dolores Medeiros
Judge Omar Gaffney	Tom Shea
E.J. Lofgren	George Doeltz

The action of the play takes place in a city in the Far West in the library of the old Dowd family mansion and in the reception area of Chumley's Rest.

Act I

Scene 1: The library, late afternoon

Scene 2: Chumley's Rest, an hour later

Act II

Scene 1: The library, an hour later

Scene 2: Chumley's Rest, four hours later

Act III

Chumley's Rest, a few minutes later

There will be one fifteen minute intermission after Act I. During the intermission you are invited to the lobby for refreshments as the guest of the Santa Clara Players. If you must smoke, please do so off the wooden deck.

The Cast

Jenni Gebhardt (Myrtle Mae Simmons) - Jenni is happily using her BA in Drama from San Francisco State University, performing in productions around the bay area such as *Tony 'n' Tina's Wedding* (Donna), *Crimes of The Heart* (Babe) and *Frankenstein* (Elizabeth Lavenza). She is also a Director and Actor with the touring educational theatre company, The Theater of All Possibilities, based in Santa Cruz, CA. She thanks Santa Clara Players for casting her in her first production with the company and looks forward to working with them again and again... And she hopes you enjoy the show as much as she has enjoyed performing in it!

Sheila Ellam (Veta Louise Simmons) - Sheila is happy to return to the Santa Clara Players, where she has enjoyed playing the roles of Clairee in *Steel Magnolias* and Mom in *True West*. Recent roles include *Death of a Salesman* (Linda), *Last Night of Ballyhoo* (Boo) and *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Miss Prism) with Broadway West Theatre Company, *Dead Man Walking* (Mary Beth Percy) at City Lights Theatre Company, and *Richard III* (Duchess of York) for Shady Shakespeare Theatre Company. For Doug.

Steve Corelis (Elwood P. Dowd) - Steve is a semi-retired elementary educator who has been having a delightful time participating in community theater for over 20 years. He is truly delighted to be working once again with the Santa Clara Players, with this delightful cast, and in this enchanting play. He has eight wonderful grandkids of which he is incredibly proud. Harvey and Steve both hope you enjoy the play and its wonderful message. Thank you for being here, s/Harvey.

Pat Cross (Mrs. Ethel Chauvenet) - Pat was last seen at Santa Clara Players in the role of Emilie Ducatel in *My Three Angels*. This is her 8th show at SCP! Some of her favorite roles include Vesta Poteet (*Radio TBS* - where she will never live down the sheep suit), Sheila (*Tender Lies*), Andrienne (*A Bench in the Sun*) and Carlene (*Hallelujah Girls*). Pat has also performed with other local theater companies including Broadway West, Northside Theater, City Lights, and Tabard Theater. She dedicates this performance to the memory of Lindi Press.

Christine Le (Ruth Kelly, R.N.) - Christine is making her debut at Santa Clara Players. Most recent roles include Belinda/Flavia in *Noises Off* (Coastal Rep), Gertie in *Oklahoma!* (Stage 1), and Shelby in *Steel Magnolias* (Stage 1). Other favorite roles have been: Elvira in *Blithe Spirit*, Beauty in *Sleeping Beauty*, and Betty in *Vinegar Tom*. Many thanks to Marian and Karie for the opportunity and encouragement.

Mark Rosen (Duane Wilson) - This is Mark's second production with the Players; he was last seen as Trouchard, in *My Three Angels*. Between

productions with SCP, Mark played Louie and shared the stage with his wife Pam, in Chanticleers production of *Lost in Yonkers*. Mark wishes to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Lindi Press. Lindi appeared in many productions in the Bay Area, including the aforementioned *My Three Angels*. Although she has passed from this life, her star shines on.

Alan Glover (Lyman Sanderson, M.D.) - Alan has performed for nearly thirty years locally and internationally in musicals, dramas, comedies, pantomimes, mysteries, and most recently teaching in classrooms. The teaching bit includes all the theatrical genres listed, with emphasis on mystery ("Homework? What homework?"). Alan last performed for the Santa Clara Players, twenty years ago, in *The Odd Couple (Female Version)* as Jesus Costazuela. Since then, he adventured around the world on a bicycle, continued acting, and became a teacher. He currently performs as a fourth grade teacher, here in Santa Clara. He is grateful for his students - they help keep fresh his method acting - and for the cast and crew of *Harvey* for their delightful, boundless humor. Enjoy and cheers. *The Doctor is in. Psychiatric Help* - 5¢.

Steve Lewis (William R. Chumley, M.D.) - Steve is thrilled to be working at Santa Clara players again, for the tenth time. He was last seen in the productions of *Dial "M" for Murder* and *My Three Angels* also about murder. Hmm, a disturbing pattern that has thankfully been broken by this delightful comedy. He has also haunted the halls of Northside Theatre Co and Shady Shakespeare. I'd like to thank the many friends who have supported my acting habit over the years. Past credits incl: *The Mousetrap*, *Hound of the Baskervilles*, *Suddenly Last Summer*, *The Second Lady*, Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*, *Hamlet*, *Merry Wives of Windsor*, *A Christmas Carol*, *The Kitchen Witches*, and *Little Old Ladies in Tennis Shoes*.

Dolores Medeiros (Betty Chumley) - Dolores was born and raised in the San Jose area and attended local schools. Some of her background with the Santa Clara Players includes most recently performing in Agatha Christie's *And Then There Were None*. With the Sunnyvale Community Players she recently performed in *Grand Hotel*. Some of her other experience in musicals has been in *Oliver*, *Sound of Music*, and *Carousel*. She also enjoyed her melodrama and vaudeville shows at the Opry House and the Gaslighter theaters. Dolores is thankful to her director for her guidance, to a fun cast for lots of laughs, and for the continued support of her family and friends. She dedicates her performance tonight to her beloved daughter, Emily.

Tom Shea (Judge Omar Gaffney) - Tom is a senior patent assistant at Radlo IP Law Group, a small law firm specializing in patent prosecution. As a long-time

Toastmaster, Tom has considerable experience in front of an audience, but this is his first time acting in Community Theatre.

George Doeltz (E.J. Lofgren) - After eight years of working with Roberta Jones at what was then Santa Clara Junior Theatre, George came over to the dark side - backstage at Santa Clara Players. He has produced and designed well over twenty productions starting with the unforgettable *Radio TBS*. Last year he played Captain Lass in *The Final Harvest*, a TV documentary about the local Harris-Lass house. And recently he has begun directing in his spare time. Moss Hart said it right: "Theatre is not so much a profession as a disease!" But, thanks to everyone involved, it's always been great fun.

Amy Conners (Costumer) - Amy has enjoyed working with SCP since her first show here, *The Heidi Chronicles*. Since then, she has been lucky enough to be involved either on stage or costuming various shows. Amy graduated from San Jose State with a BA in Theater Arts. She has been involved in the Bay Area theater and television scene as an actor, producer, costumer and director.

Jill Schwinn (Costumer) - Jill is a graduate of San Jose State University with a B.A. in Theatre Arts. *Harvey* is Jill's first production with Santa Clara Players. Recent productions she has designed and costumed are *All This Intimacy* - Renegade Theatre Experiment, *Equus* - City Lights Theater Company, and *Nine* for City Lights Theater Company for which she was co-nominated in 2012 with Amy Conners for a Bay Area Theatre Critics Circle award. Jill is a member of the Greater Bay Area Costumers Guild. She is passionate about anything fashion and costume related, and is thrilled to costume *Harvey* alongside longtime friend and colleague, Amy Conners.

Karie Vaughan (Assistant Director) - Karie is happy to be returning as Assistant Director for the third time with the Santa Clara Players. Karie has performed with several of the local community theatre groups including Santa Clara Players, Northside Theatre Company, The Mostly Irish Theatre Company and Que Vadis. Favorite roles have included Ethel in *Barefoot in the Park* and Lilly in *Freedom of the City*. Karie would like to thank Marian for being a great director and teacher and to the cast of *Harvey* for all their hard work and the many laughs during rehearsal.

About the Players

The *Santa Clara Players* is a non-profit community theater group

dedicated to wholesome entertainment. We provide an opportunity for anyone with dramatic or stagecraft aspirations to work with experienced directors and producers. We provide high quality, family theater for the enjoyment of the citizens of Santa Clara and the surrounding areas.

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One Acts

As a community based theater group we also have an outreach program. From September through June we offer traveling shows to all types of community and church groups, social and senior organizations, as well as private parties. Our program is extremely flexible and affordable and can run anywhere from 30 minutes to an hour, depending on your needs. If you are interested or need further information please contact us at 408-504-0664.

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