

Santa Clara Players

Present



Produced by arrangement with Samuel French

There will be one fifteen minute intermission. During the intermission you are invited to the lobby for refreshments as the guest of the Santa Clara Players. Smoking is no longer allowed anywhere on the grounds.

In view of County recommendations we are now requiring that masks be worn at all times in our theater in the interest of the safety of you and our cast.

The Cast

Beatrice Shelton	Nancy Martin
Eaddy Mae Clayton	Josie Burgin Lawson
Imogene Fletcher	Marilyn Pifer
Pat Jones	Lisa Kalmanash
Maude Jenkins	Rebecca Brownson
Sam Smith	Bill C. Jones
Ruby Sue Bennett	Sarah Birdsall
Eaddy/Maude Understudy	Barbara Heninger

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Production Staff

Producer	George Doeltz
Director	Allie Bailey
Stage Manager	Casey Keys
Technical Operator	Casey Keys
Costumes Designer	Sarah Birdsall
Box Office	George Doeltz
Photography	Larry Sacks
Video	Bryan Callanta
Sound Designers	Guillermo Morales, Brian Bourke

Nancy Martin (Beatrice) - Nancy Martin is thrilled to be performing with Santa Clara Players for the first time. She was last seen at Coastal Rep in Half Moon Bay in *Murder on the Nile*. Other favorite credits include Lady MacBeth, Madame Ranevskya in *The Cherry Orchard*, Ruth in *Blithe Spirit*, Lady Bracknell in *The Importance of Being Earnest*, Lorinda in *It Can't Happen Here*, Dotty in *Noises Off* and Sister Aloysius in *Doubt*. Nancy received her education at UCSB with majors in English and Theater and has an MA in Drama Therapy. She is currently loving retirement after teaching Drama for 19 years at Carlmont High School in Belmont and looking forward to her upcoming wedding in April!

Josie Burgin Lawson (Eaddy) - Josie is excited to be doing her first show with Allie Bailey and with Santa Clara Players! You may have seen Josie as Mrs. Medlock in *The Secret Garden* at Los Altos Stage Company; Virginia Butley in *Native Gardens* at City Lights; with her husband, Skip Huffman as The Fezziwigs in *A Christmas Carol* at Northside Theatre Company; the one-woman show *Georgia O'Keeffe: Paintings From the Faraway Nearby* at The Tabard, and in *Julius Caesar*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, *MacBeth* and *Measure for Measure* with Silicon Valley Shakespeare. Thanks to Skip for his love and support. Momma, you would have loved this show, this is for you.

Marilyn Pifer (Imogene) - Marilyn is excited to return to the Santa Clara Players stage! She previously appeared in SCP's *The Lost Virginity Tour* as Rita Hansen, a character in a different quartet of irrepressible women. You might also have seen her as Mrs. Harcourt in San Jose Musical Theater's *Anything Goes*. More recent roles include Miss Shields in *A Christmas Story* and Grandma in *A Nice Family Christmas*, both at South Valley Civic Theatre and both directed by Allie Bailey. Marilyn is grateful to Allie for the chance to play yet another spunky Old Broad, and thanks her husband Steve for putting up with yet another rehearsal schedule.

Rebecca Brownson (Maude) - This is Becky's first show with Santa Clara Players. Thinking that her theater adventures had come to an end with the Covid shut down in 2020, she was considering moving to the mountains and getting back to nature. Then, just before the new year, she saw our ad for auditions. "What the hell." She thought. "Why not give it one more try." So, she drove through the pouring rain to our audition, and the rest is history. She is grateful for the support of her family, especially her very patient husband, Don.

Lisa Kalmanash (Pat) - Lisa is thrilled to be a part of the Four Old Broads cast. Past shows at Santa Clara Players include *Drinking Habits 2*, *The Odd Couple: Female Version*, *Exit the Body*, and *7-10 Split*. During the day, Lisa works as an elementary Special Education teacher and enjoys knitting and reading.

Bill C. Jones (Sam) - I am happy to be back on stage after a two year layoff because of covid. My last show was *Miracle On 34th Street*, directed by Allie Bailey, the same wonderful director for this show. I have been in many other shows. I have even won some awards. What is most wonderful about this show is that, after this long layoff, I am again working with people that I love and respect. People that will give their heart, so that you will enjoy this show. Your enjoyment is our reward.

Sarah Birdsall (Ruby Sue) - Sarah is delighted to return to Santa Clara Players! She has performed all over California throughout her career and favorite roles include: Mollie (*The Mousetrap*), Jean Louise Finch (*To Kill a Mockingbird*), Thea (*Spring Awakening*), Kate (*Yeomen of the Guard*), and Magrat (*Wyrld Sisters*). She holds a B.A. in Dramatic Art from UC Davis, and by day works in healthcare administration. Much love to Mom, Dad, Matt, Lauren, the FVC crew, and the clowder of neighbor-cats always at her heels!

Allie Bailey (Director) - Allie is delighted to be making her Santa Clara Players' debut with this fabulously funny, female driven play. Allie is a local bay area theater director, actor, teaching artist, and production stage manager who specializes in classical and musical theater, opera, ballet, and modern dance. Favorite direction credits include *A Nice Family Christmas* (Limelight Theatre) for which she was awarded a members' choice best director award, *A Christmas Story* (SVCT), *Deathtrap* (Coastal Rep), *The Mercy Seat*, *Miracle on 34th Street: A Live Musical Radio Play*, and *Into the Woods* (Los Altos Stage Company), A Public Reading of *An Unproduced Screenplay About the Death of Walt Disney* (Palo Alto Players), *Into the Woods* (Pacifica Spindrift Players), and *Pippin* (Sunnyvale Community Players). Allie would like to thank her family and friends for always supporting her artistic endeavors!