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In all my years of theatre, I always find that BCT is a great group to work with. I'm so glad to have the opportunity to direct for them again. A special thank you to all of the volunteers who work so hard on a range of production activities from sets to lighting to costumes to makeup and the cast. They make these shows happen. And last but not least, I would like to give a huge thank you for the set designed by Loren Sass, the props and costumes by Donna Balsley, and sincere thanks and appreciation for my wonderful stage manager, Mary Easland.

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 Set Design .....Loren Sass  
 Set Construction .....Donna Balsley, Les Blumreich, Deb Burns, Mary Easland,  
 Mike Fallon, Dee Fischer, Jake Hamil, Dawn Kabor,  
 Tom Lepinski, Mary Mowers, Harold Pann, Loren Sass,  
 Ed Skwarlo, Brad Thorp, Tom Young  
 Lighting and Sound .....Peter Tropp  
 Costumes .....Donna Balsley  
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 Running Crew .....Deb Burns, Les Blumreich, Tom Young  
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**THE CAST**

(in order of appearance)

Corie Bratter .....Sydney Winchester  
 Telephone Repair Man .....Brad Thorp  
 Delivery Man .....Peter Tropp  
 Paul Bratter .....Chris Ogden  
 Mother.....Kay Nordstrom  
 Victor Velasco .....Michael Mugnani

**SETTING**

The top floor of a brownstone on East 48th Street, New York City

**ACT I**

About 5:30 on a cold February afternoon.

**ACT II**

Scene 1: Four days later. About 7:00 p.m.  
 Scene 2: Later that night. About 2:00 a.m.

**ACT III**

The following day. About 5:00 p.m.

Tonight's performance includes two intermissions. The first intermission between Acts 1 and 2 will be a full-length fifteen-minute intermission with refreshments available in the lobby. Between Acts 2 and 3, we will have a brief 5 minutes pause where you are welcome to stand up and just stretch your legs.

## WHO'S WHO



Michael Mugnani  
as Victor Velasco

**Michael Mugnani** (Victor Velasco) Michael is back in his hometown and at BCT once again for this classic early 1960's Neil Simon comedy. After playing Big Daddy Pollitt in Stage One's October 2017 production of *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* at JPAC, this turn at Velasco has been a pleasant diversion from the intensity of Cat's blustery patriarch. Michael dedicates these BCT performances to the memory of his beloved father and mother, Emo and Jessie -- both lifelong Beloiters -- and to Chuck Niles, whose final theatre project was directing BCT's January 2013 production of *Fox on the Fairway*, an enjoyable farce in which Michael considers himself very lucky to have been a cast member. Chuck was a career teacher, a military veteran, a great storyteller, an insightful director, and became a true friend. He will always be remembered fondly and missed by the many people who knew him.



Kay Nordstrom  
as Mother

**Kay Nordstrom** (Mother) Kay has performed in the BCT productions of *The Spitfire Grill*, *Exit Laughing*, *Seniors of the Sahara* and *Bingo, the Musical*. At UW-Oshkosh she appeared in *Blood Wedding*, *Stop the World, I Want to Get Off* and *The Skin of Our Teeth*. Kay is a retired educator from the School District of Beloit. Her family consists of husband, Kendall, 4 children and 5 grandchildren. In her spare time, Kay enjoys reading, sewing and volunteering.



Chris Ogden  
as Paul Bratter

**Chris Ogden** (Paul Bratter) This production marks Chris' debut for Beloit Civic Theatre. His previous acting experience includes *Shrek the Musical* for Beloit Memorial High School, *A Funny Thing Happened on The Way to the Forum* for Theatre Unlimited, and *Big Fish*, and *Spring Awakening* for UW-Rock County. Chris is a recent BMHS graduate who enjoys playing video games and writing. The Board of Directors welcomes Chris, a fine young man and an excellent addition to our group.



Brad Thorp as  
Telephone Man

**Brad Thorp** (Telephone Man) Brad appeared in *Moonlight and Magnolias* and *Talent for Murder* and *Making God Laugh* for Beloit Civic Theatre, and he also helps with set construction and on running crews for various BCT productions. He was active in his High School drama department where he originally found his love for the theatre. He works as Manager of Novaspect Reliability Services and has been married to his wife Teresa for 26 years. They have 4 children, Matthew, Mary, Luke and Timothy. Brad enjoys

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spending time with Teresa working around their hobby farm, fixing and creating things, and playing military simulation games with his sons. Brad thanks his family for their support and tolerating the hours away from home.



*Peter Tropp  
 as Delivery Man*

**Peter Tropp** (Delivery Man) Peter's previous onstage Beloit Civic Theatre productions are *Arsenic and Old Lace* and *She Loves Me*. He also has designed, installed and run lights and sound for many shows, including this one in which he is busy both on and off stage. Peter, a retired fire fighter, currently works as a registered nurse for the Illinois Department of Health Care and Family Services. He is married to BCT Board Secretary, Doris, and they have children, Alex, Tasha and Mike, along with 2 grandchildren.



*Sydney  
 Winchester as  
 Corie Bratter*

**Sydney Winchester** (Corie Bratter) Sydney has appeared in *The Spitfire Grill*, *The Dining Room*, *Lend Me a Tenor* and *A Talent for Murder* for BCT. She is a graduate of Beloit Memorial High School where she appeared in *The Matchmaker*, *Dark of the Moon*, *Cinderella*, *A Servant of Two Masters*, *The Good Doctor*, *Hairspray*, *Arabian Nights*, *Urinetown*, and *High School Musical*. At BMHS Sydney also did extensive work back stage in set construction and décor, was a grip in *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, served as "Safety Captain" for two years and was Vice President of the Theatre Club. Sydney attended U-W Rock County and U-W Madison and is currently working as a secretary at Beloit Plastics. Her parents are Brian and Jody, and her brother, Cameron. Sydney, who loves acting and singing, is a past recipient of a Beloit Civic Theatre Scholarship.



*Barry Nyquist  
 Director*

**Barry Nyquist** (Director) Barry says, "It's so good to be back and working with dear friends at BCT." He has spent most of his life in theatre whether acting professionally, directing, or teaching acting. The most recent shows Barry directed for BCT are *Moonlight and Magnolias*, *The Dining Room*, *A Talent for Murder*, *Church Basement Ladies*, and *All I Really Need To Know I Learned In Kindergarten*. Barry's other shows for BCT include *God's Favorite*, *Laura*, *Play On*, *Night Must Fall*, *The Nerd*, and *The Dining Room* (1997). Barry has acted in or directed at the following other theatres: NAT (New American Theatre), The Clocktower, Rockford College, Starlight Theatre, Seaside Music Theatre, The Red Barn, and Beloit College. He also taught fifth through twelfth grade acting and speech at Keith Country Day School in Rockford and the Prairie School in Racine, and acting at Beloit College. Barry is a member of Actors Equity, the professional actors' union. As a pro-

fessional actor, some of Barry's favorite roles include Sweeney Todd in *Sweeney Todd*, Kit Carson in *The Time of Your Life*, 9 characters in *The Dining Room*, and JP Finch in *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*.



Mary Easland  
Stage Manager

**Mary Easland** (Stage Manager) A member of the Board of Directors of *Beloit Civic Theatre*, Mary served as Stage Manager for *Moonlight and Magnolias*, *The Dining Room*, *A Talent for Murder* and *Seniors of the Sahara*, as Assistant Stage Manager for *Squirrels in the Attic*, as a dresser for *Greater Tuna*, and on the running crews of *Church Basement Ladies* and many other productions. She also works on set construction for BCT; another of Mary's board responsibilities is to serve as "Cookie Queen", a much revered and important title! Mary works in the Treasurer's Office for The City of Janesville. Her family includes daughter Katie, mom Janet and significant other, John.



### AUDITION NOTICE

Auditions for our spring musical, *Something's Afoot: A Murder Mystery Musical Comedy* by James McDonald, David Vos and Robert Gerlach, and directed by Janet Palmer, will be held in the theatre on February 5 and 6 at 7 p.m. The cast calls for 6 men and 4 women of varying ages. You may request to be added to our actor database if interested. Postcards announcing auditions are mailed before each show's auditions. Just give your name, phone number and postal mailing address to anyone working in the lobby or e-mail us at [beloitcivictheatre@gmail.com](mailto:beloitcivictheatre@gmail.com)

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