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Music and Lyrics by **STEPHEN SONDHEIM** Book by **GEORGE FURTH** Based on the original play by GEORGE KAUFMAN and MOSS HART Originally directed on Broadway by HAROLD PRINCE Originally produced on Broadway by LORD GRADE, MARTIN STARGER, ROBERT FRYER and HAROLD PRINCE in association with RUTH MITCHELL and HOWARD HAINES

Musical Direction by Technical Director STEVEN T. JONES Set and Light Designer Costumes designed by LARRY BEGHTOL Costume Assistants KRISTI BOLTON

Directed by BARRY FULLER MARC BAKER **STEVEN T. JONES** LOUISE CASINI Stage Manager KRISTINA KLOSS

Merrily We Roll Along is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International 119 West 57th Street New York, NY 10019

Musical Numbers

Act I

Scene 1	1980 - Lake Forest Academy "The Hills of Tomorrow" "Merrily We Roll Along"	Company Company
Scene 2	1979 - Franklin Shepard's Bel Air "Rich and Happy"	home Frank and Company
Scene 3	1975 - The Polo Lounge "Old Friends" "Like It Was"	Mary and Charley Mary
Scene 4	1973 - New York TV Studio "Franklin Shepard, Inc."	Charley
Scene 5	1968 - Frank's apartment in New "Old Friends"	York Frank, Charley, Mary
Scene 6	1966 - Steps of the courthouse "Not A Day Goes By" "Know You Know"	Beth Mary and Company
Act II		
Scene 1	1964 - Outside a Broadway theat "It's a Hit"	tre Mary, Frank, Charley, Joe
Scene 2	1962 - Gussie and Joe's New Yo "Good Thing Going"	ork apartment Frank and Charley
Scene 3	1960 - Greenwich Village nightcl "Bobby and Jackie and Jack" "Not A Day Goes By"	
Scene 4	1959-1958 - A Transition "Opening Doors"	Mary, Frank, Charley
Scene 5	October 1957 - Rooftop of a New "Our Time"	v York apartment Mary, Frank, Charley and Company
Scene 6	1955/1980 - Lake Forest Acader "The Hills of Tomorrow"	ny Company
	Pianos courtesy of Shuff's Music of Germantown	

Merrily We Roll Along Cast

FRANK CHARLEY MARY **BETH** Laura Landers **GUSSIE** Amy Russell JOE JOSEPHSON Brett Cullum MEG GOSSIP COLUMNIST Hether Ashcraft TV REPORTER MOVIE ACTRESS FRANK'S PROTEGE HEAD WAITER BARTENDER Photographer **ACTRESS'** COMPANION MINISTER FRANK'S PRESS AGENT FRANK'S BACKER/AUDITIONEE Toi Page CAMERAMAN MR. SPENCER, TALK SHOW HOST FIRST REPORTER MRS. SPENCER FRANK'S DECORATOR **OLD FRANK/FRANK'S ATTORNEY** SECOND REPORTER FIRST GIRL

Brad Terhune Gabriel D. Rikard Amy Matheny Stella Faison Kristi Bolton Louise Casini Jason B. Cormier Warren Fincher **Brandon Harvey** Elizabeth Hayes Darin Hornsby Jerry Lee Lovelace Carmie Mitchell Kristen Murray Jason Potter **Brent Stevens** Merryl Taylor Laca Tines Iames Todd Karla Washburn Rachel Wortham

The Cast

(**denotes a member of the McCoy Company*)

Hether Ashcraft (Gossip Columnist) is a freshman from Memphis and was active in theater at Ridgeway High School appearing in *The Good Doctor* and *The Omolette Murder Case*. Heather is also a member of The Rhodes College Singers.

Marc Baker (musical director), a senior music major from El Dorado, AR, has accompanied the McCoy productions of Candide, The Robber Bridegroom, and Anyone Can Whistle. Marc can also be found leading the tenor section of the Rhodes College Singers.

Larry Beghtol (costume designer) also designed the poster for this show. His accomplishments include extensive work for Playhouse on the Square and The Circuit Playhouse where most recently he was costumer for *Privates On Parade*.

Kristi Bolton* (TV Reporter) is a senior theatre major from just about everywhere (presently Memphis). Her most recent work was set designer for the McCoy Company's production of *The Actor's Nightmare*. She is a member of the Rhodes College Singers, Chamber Singers and Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority.

Louise Casini* (Movie Actress), a junior theatre major from Memphis was most recently seen in the McCoy's productions of *Candide* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and was assistant stage manager for *Six Characters in Search of an Author*. Louise is also a member of the Rhodes College Singers.

Jason B. Cormier (Frank's Protege) is a sophomore international studies and psychology major from Rayne, LA, who is making his debut on the McCoy stage. Jason attended Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts where he was in *The Two Gentlemen of Verona* and *Find Me*.

Brett Cullum (Joe Josephson), a junior, has been seen at the McCoy in Six Characters in Search of an Author, Candide, Cymbeline, and Anyone Can Whistle. He was active in productions in and around Houston, TX (his hometown) during high school. Brett is a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

Stella Faison (Meg), an active senior at Immaculate Conception High School, is also making her debut at the McCoy. She is a member of the Metropolitan Opera Guild and the St. John's Catholic Church choir.

Warren Fincher (Head Waiter) is a senior international studies major from Greenville, TX. He is a member of the Rhodes College Singers, Chamber Singers, and the Wool Socks. Warren last appeared in *Candide*.

Barry Fuller (director) has directed, acted in and choreographed productions in virtually every theatre in Memphis. In 1982 Barry directed our first production - *Candide* and came back last spring for a repeat performance. He has been a part of the McCoy's Nicholas Nickelby, *Sweeney Todd, The Gondoliers, Little Mary Sunshine, Lerner and Love,* and *The Robber Bridegroom*.

Brandon Harvey (Bartender), a junior at Memphis State University, has most recently starred in the music video for the song "Cool Drink of Water." Brandon has attended the North Carolina School for the Arts. Elizabeth Hayes (Photographer) is a junior English major from Clarksville, TN. This is her first production at the McCoy, and she is a member of the Rhodes College Singers, the Chamber Singers and Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority.

Darin Hornsby (Actress' Companion), a sophomore from Pine Grove, LA, is majoring in economics and international studies. This is his first appearance at the McCoy. Darin is a member of the Kinney Program, Kappa Sigma Faternity and the Rhodes College Singers.

Steve Jones (technical director) begins his second year at the McCoy and Theatre Department. This past summer he taught at the Governor's School for the Arts. Under Steve's technical direction, last spring's production of *Six Characters in Search of An Author* received the Memphis Magazine's award for Excellence in a Design Concept.

Kristina Kloss* (stage manager) is a senior theatre major from Prescott, AZ, and most recently won the Memphis Theater Award for her lighting design for *Six Characters in Search of an Author*. She has also stage managed shows for Circuit Playhouse and Memphis Little Theatre.

Laura Landers (Beth) is a senior music major from Memphis. She has been seen in the McCoy productions of *Anyone Can Whistle* and *Candide* for which she was presented the Memphis Theater Award for excellence as female lead in a musical. Laura is a member of Kappa Delta Sorority, Mortar Board, and Order of Omega.

Jerry Lee Lovelace (Minister), a Rhodes alum, is a medical student at the University of Tennessee. As an undergraduate, Jerry performed in *You Can't Take It With You, The Gondoliers* and *Sweeney Todd*.

Amy Matheny*(Mary) is a senior theatre and English major from Cleveland, TN. At the McCoy, she has appeared in *Candide*, *Midsummer Night's Dream*, and *What the Butler Saw*. Amy has also performed with the Utah Musical Theatre, The Shakespeare Theatre at the Folger and Theatre Memphis.

Carmie Mitchell (Frank's Press Agent), a freshman from Laurenceville, GA, is majoring in international business. She is a member of the Rhodes College Singers and the Black Student Association.

Kristen Murray (Frank's Backer/Auditionee), a 1990 Honors graduate, is currently working as a psychological counselor and will be going to Sydney, Australia to work on her graduate degree in psychology. Kristen has most recently been seen at Theatre Memphis in Born Yesterday and Steel Magnolias.

Toi Page (Cameraman) is a first year student from Memphis majoring in political science. She appeared in Kirby High School's productions of *Bye Bye Birdie*, 42nd Street and Little Shop of *Horrors* and won the Outstanding Vocalist Award.

Jason Potter* (Mr. Spencer/Talk Show Host), a junior theatre major from Chattanooga, was most recently seen in *Six Characters in Search of an Author, Candide,* and *The Actor's Nightmare*. Jason is also a member of the Rhodes College Singers and the Wool Socks.

Gabriel D. Rikard (Charley), a freshman from Tuscumbia, AL has performed in Damn Yankees and Anne of Green Gables in Florence, AL. Amy Russell (Gussie) is a junior political science major from Memphis. Although this is her first production at the McCoy, Amy has appeared in Theatre Memphis' *The Real Thing* and *A Christmas Carol*. She received a Special Achievement Award in Music and is a member of Tri Delta Sorority.

Brent Stevens (First Reporter) is a newcomer to the McCoy stage but has filled technical roles in other theatres- most recently Germantown Community Theatre. He is an account specialist with International Paper.

Merryl Taylor (Mrs. Spencer), a sophomore from Birmingham, AL, was last seen in the McCoy's production of *Candide*. Merryl was involved in her high school's productions of *Hello Dolly* and *Carousel*. She is a member of the Rhodes College Singers, Chamber Singers and Chi Omega Sorority.

Brad Terhune (Frank) is a freshman from Hopkinsville, KY. He is a recipient of a Special Achievement Award and is a member of the Rhodes College Singers and Chamber Singers.

Laca Tines (Frank's Decorator), a junior voice major from Huntingdon, TN, is appearing in her third McCoy musical. Previously she was seen in *Candide* and *Anyone Can Whistle*.

James Todd (Old Frank/Frank's Attorney) is a freshman biochemistry student from Clarksville, TN. He received a RhodesSpecial Achievement Award and is a member of the Rhodes College Singers and the Kinney Program. While in high school, James appeared in *Camelot* and *The Glass Menagerie*.

Karla Washburn (Second Reporter), a sophomore from Purcell, OK, was last seen at the McCoy as a sheep in *Candide*. Karla is also a member of the Rhodes College Singers and is a Kinney clown.

Rachel Wortham (First Girl), although a freshman, is making her second appearance at the McCoy. She was in *Candide* last spring and has appeared in several Theatre Memphis productions. Rachel was recipient of the Special Achievement Award for Theatre and is also a member of the Rhodes College Singers and the pep band.

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