

**Coldwater Community Theatre**  
presents a world premiere...

An original comedy in two acts  
by Robert Pickering

# HANG ONTO THE HORSE

**CAST**  
(In Order Of Their Appearance)

Jaqueline Bradford .....	Cindy Ireland
Charles Bradford .....	Rick Duncan
Norma Wheeler .....	Bonita J. Hoffner
James Wheeler .....	Gary Mallernee
Claudia Waverly Bradford .....	Jeannine Rebentisch
Linda Conti .....	Marty Craig
Andrew Bradford .....	Ron Ingraham

**Scene Synopsis**

The entire play takes place in the Bradford apartment in Phoenix, Arizona over the period of a weekend.

**ACT I**

Scene I - A Friday Evening  
Scene II - The Following Morning  
Scene III - Later That Afternoon

**ACT II**

Scene I - 10:00 Sunday Morning  
Scene II - Later That Evening  
Scene III - The Next Morning

**Tibbits Opera House**

- Thursday, Friday and Saturday
- April 19, 20 and 21
- 8:00 p.m.

**PRODUCTION STAFF**

Producer .....	Donna Pickering
Assistant Producer .....	Marisue Taylor
Director .....	J. Richard Colbeck
Stage Manager .....	Christine Wallace Colbeck
House Manager .....	Tom Rebentisch
Publicity .....	Cindy Ireland
	Terry O'Connell
Set Design .....	Jan Adler
Set Construction .....	Leon Jett
	Bill Shoop
	Steve Davis
	Kyle Shoop
	Marc Shoop
	Brian Dirschell
Lighting .....	Obert Burch
Props .....	Mary Bittner
	Jan Adler
Costumes .....	Leeann Haughey
Sound/Curtain .....	John Shea
Tickets .....	Phil Watterson
	Cheri Watterson
	Lois Ingraham
Posters & Programs .....	Phil Watterson
	Cheri Watterson
	Lois Ingraham
Make-up .....	Leeann Haughey
	Irene Grimes
Dresser .....	Irene Grimes

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Robert J.  
Pickering

Jester  
Philosopher  
Dreamer  
Sage

Game  
enough  
to live  
each hand.

Man of  
passion,  
compassion  
...pride.

Applauding  
each page,  
each stage...  
we stand.



**GARY MALLERNEE** is becoming a welcome regular on the C.C.T. stage. Audiences will remember his roles in *California Suite*, *The Good Doctor*, *A Nice Place To Visit*, and especially as Sir Lawrence Wargrave, in our last production, *Ten Little Indians*. A graduate of M.S.U. with a degree in Television/Radio Management, Gary has appeared in a number of M.S.U. and Lansing Civic Players productions. He is president and general manager of WTVB/WWWN.



**MARTY CRAIG.** The career oriented realtor, Linda Conti, is played by Martha (Marty) Craig who was last seen as Emily Brent in the C.C.T. production of *Ten Little Indians*. She has also appeared in *Plaza Suite*, *Girl in the Freudian Slip* and *The Good Doctor* and *Miss Reardon Drinks a Little* and as well as helping with painting the sets and costuming. Marty owns Craig Hallmark.



**RON INGRAHAM** began his love of the theater in high school and continued his involvement at Michigan State University and the St. Joseph, Michigan Twin City Players. Although he lists many credits, this is his third appearance with C.C.T., where he has played the roles of General Brassilov and banker Kistanov in *The Good Doctor*, detective, William Blore in *Ten Little Indians* and is proud to be playing the part of the "hen-pecked", Andrew Bradford in this production by Robert Pickering.



**JEANNINE REBENTISCH** is a charter member of C.C.T., appearing in its first production, *Bell, Book, and Candle*, and has been very active in the group on both sides of the footlights. She has appeared in over twenty productions at Tibbits, including all three of the C.C.T. productions of Bob Pickering's plays. Audiences will remember her as the "doo dah" lady in *A Slight Exaggeration*. This past Summer Theater season she appeared as Edith, in *Never Too Late*, a role she had done for C.C.T. a few years earlier. Jeannine is Chairperson for the Tibbits Opera Foundation Children's Programming Committee.



**J. RICHARD COLBECK** has performed in each of Mr. Pickering's first two offerings, as well as having been involved as director, producer and go-for in other C.C.T. offerings. The past four summers he has been fortunate to be in several Tibbits Summer Stock productions. He feels honored to be chosen to direct this premiere performance of *Hang On To The Horse*.



**CINDY IRELAND** is portraying Jaqueline, the wealthy and lonely wife of Charles Bradford. She was most recently seen in the fall production of *Ten Little Indians*. Cindy is currently the Vice-President and Publicity Chairman of C.C.T. and she "hopes everyone will enjoy viewing the show as much as we enjoy presenting it. Bob's talent is unquestionable and we are very proud to be a part of this production."



**RICK DUNCAN** This is Rick's fourth appearance at the Tibbits, first appearing in Bob Pickering's *A Nice Place to Visit* portraying the pompous Sidney. Rick had the lead in *Girl In The Freudian Slip*, playing Dr. Dewy Mangham and he played Dr. Armstrong in the Agatha Christie mystery *Ten Little Indians*. Playing J. Charles Bradford says Rick, "is my favorite role to date and I'm thankful that Bob Pickering chose me for the part."



**BONITA J. HOFFNER.** This is Bonita's third performance at C.C.T., her second in a Robert Pickering production. In her role as Norma Wheeler, she plays a high-falootin' spirited Texan. Her previous roles include the leading lady as Cornelia in *A Nice Place to Visit* and Millin in *California Suite*. She is the Executive Director at Substance Abuse Services of Branch Co. and is a member of the Altrusa Club of Branch Co.