Falls Patio Players Present

Christmas Carol

Book and Lyrics by Jack Strawbridge

Original Music by Carol Klose and Jack Strawbridge

Piano Score by Carol Klose

Music and Lyrics for “As Good As Gold” by Jeanmarie Strawbridge

Additional Lyrics by Karen McKinney and Melissa Bloch-Meier
Additional Arrangements by Jeff Shoemaker and Sam Ecoff
Additional Orchestrations by Sam Ecoff

2012 Script Revision by Carol Klose and Melissa Bloch-Meier
2016 Script Revision by Karen McKinney and Melissa Bloch-Meier

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Music Director ..........................................................Jeffrey Shoemaker
Stage Manager ...........................................................Leah Schneider Wank
Costume Designer/Scenic Designer/Artistic Director....................Roger F. Bochek
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Sound Designer..............................................................Tom Matasek
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Cast

EBENEZER SCROOGE ................................................................. MIKE CRAIN
BOB CRATCHIT ............................................................... BEN BARTOS
JACOB MARLEY/GENT #3 ........................................ HANK HART
GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PAST ...................................... SARAH LEURQUIN
GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PRESENT/GENT #1 ........ TOM FLANAGAN
GHOST OF CHRISTMAS YET TO COME/DICK WILKINS ZACHARY KLAHN
FRED/UNDERTAKER .......................................................... JASON MEIER
MRS. CRATCHIT ................................................................. ANNA MARIE ZORN
MARTHA CRATCHIT .......................................................... AUBREE SAPINSKI
PETER CRATCHIT ............................................................... JACK HAKE
MARY CRATCHIT ................................................................. ASHLYN SAPINSKI
BELINDA CRATCHIT .......................................................... MORGAN ROZANSKY
TINY TIM CRATCHIT ............................................................ OLIVIA SEIDEMANN
MR. FEZZIWIG/OLD JOE ................................................... GLENN DEVOE
MRS. FEZZIWIG ................................................................. LYNDAA DUPUY
YOUNG SCROOGE/GENT #5 .............................................. JUSTIN LEHMAN
ISABELLE FEZZIWIG .......................................................... CASSIDY FRANZMEIER
MRS. SHELBY/HELEN (FRED’S WIFE) ................................ JENNA REETZ KREUZER
MRS. DILBER ........................................................................ DOTTIE CRAIN
GENT #2 .............................................................. AI VAN LITH
GENT #4 .............................................................. CRAIG PIERCE
BOY SCROOGE ................................................................. AIDAN BRUKBACHER
FAN ................................................................. ELLA ARMSTRONG
TOY MAKER ................................................................. KARA ROEMING
BAKER ................................................................. MARY BETH LUDIN
PERSON WITH PRESENTS ............................................ LAURA CILETTI
TOM THE TURKEY BOY ........................................................ AIDAN BATTIANSILA

Ensemble

Ethan Battiansila, GiGi Carlino, Riley Cowan, Kailee Doherty, JJ Eagleeye, Derek Fairburn,
Molly Flanagan, Rachael Griepentrog, Julia Holst, Elisabeth Holst, Linnea Huntoon,
Charles Kelley, Caitlin Kryscio, Lia Krystowiak, Kellie LeTart, Juliana Mohrfeld, Ellora
Rangel, Sydney Robbins, Lucy Roeming, Jennifer Sciuti, Olivia Wardlow

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Musical Selections

1. **Angels We Have Heard On High** .............................................................. Trad./Arr: Klose/Orch.: Ecoff
   *Villagers*

2. **Hark! The Bell Is Ringing** ................................................................. Trad./Lyrics: Strawbridge
   *Villagers*

3. **As Good As Gold** .............................................................................. Lyrics and Music: Jeanmarie Strawbridge
   *Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim* Orch.: Ecoff

4. **Can Christmas Be So Far Behind?** ............................................. Lyrics: Strawbridge/Music: Klose
   *Christmas Past* Orch.: Ecoff

5. **’Tis The Season Made For Joys** .................................................. Trad./Lyrics: Strawbridge
   *Mr. & Mrs. Fezziwig and Party Guests*

6. **A Band Of Gold** .............................................................................. Lyrics: Strawbridge/Music: Klose
   *Isabelle Fezziwig* Orch.: Ecoff

7. **Fill Ev’ry Glass** .................................................................................. Trad./Lyrics: Strawbridge
   *Christmas Present and Villagers*

8. **This Is The Story** ................................................................................ Lyrics and Music: Strawbridge/Arr: Klose,
   *Tiny Tim and the Cratchit Family* Shoemaker & Ecoff

9. **Founder of The Feast** ........................................................................... Lyrics and Music: Klose
   *Mr. & Mrs. Cratchit*

10. **The Toy Maker** .................................................................................. Lyrics: Strawbridge & Klose/Music: Klose
    *Bob Cratchit*

11. **Magic Minute** .................................................................................... Lyrics: Klose, McKinney
    *Christmas Present, Toymaker, and Tiny Tim* & Bloch-Meier/Music: Klose

12. **Magic Minute Ballet** .......................................................................... Music: Klose
    *Toymaker and Magical Toys*

13. **This Is The End Of It!** ................................................................. Lyrics: Strawbridge/Music: Klose
    *Old Joe, Mrs. Shelby, Mrs. Dilber, Undertaker and Company* Orch.: Ecoff

14. **Fly, Fly, Away** .................................................................................. Lyrics and Music: Strawbridge/Arr: Klose
    *Mr. and Mrs. Cratchit, Peter, Martha, Belinda, and Mary*

15. **I’m Not The Man I Was!** .............................................................. Lyrics: Strawbridge/Music: Klose
    *Scrooge* Arr: Shoemaker & Ecoff

16. **Finale - The Day Of Christmas** ................................................ Trad./Strawbridge/Klose
    *Full Company* Orch.: Ecoff
What a privilege and a joy it has been to be entrusted with directing this production of *Christmas Carol*! Experiencing the show as a performer in the early years, as Jack Strawbridge and Carol Klose refined and rewrote it, gave me valuable insight into their intentions and vision. *Christmas Carol* has continued to evolve, in obvious ways as with last year’s addition of the Nephew’s Party scene and the new song, “As Good as Gold”, and in more subtle ways as well. The attentive audience member may notice that Scrooge encounters each of the Spirits more than once during the course of the story, and that even some of Tiny Tim’s “Magic Minute” dream toys are foreshadowed. *Christmas Carol* is a beloved tradition for our audiences and our company members alike. New generations of performers are taking the stage, even grandchildren of some of the original actors. The little girls who play Fan look forward to the day they might take the role of Christmas Past or Isabelle, or even Mrs. Shelby! Stories are traded of trips to Pop’s, scene shop lunches, the tallest Turkey Boy ever and the time Marley flew backwards (when Marley used to fly). Both Carol and Jack have passed on, but the legacy of their creation will remain in the bonds of friendships formed between the hundreds of children and adults who have been a part of this show, whether on the stage or behind it. “God bless us, everyone!”
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Ella Armstrong (Fan/Ensemble) Ella’s past shows include Falls Patio Players performances—James and the Giant Peach (Ensemble), Mulan (Hairdresser, soldier), Alice in Wonderland (flower), Germantown Park and Rec performances—Peter Pan (pirate) and Beauty and the Beast (villager). Ella is in the 5th grade in Germantown. She loves singing and acting, reading, and spending time with her family. She also participates in Destination Imagination. Ella is very excited to be in Christmas Carol and hopes you enjoy the show!

Ben Bartos (Bob Cratchit) Ben is thrilled to be a part of his second Christmas Carol and fourth production with Falls Patio Players. More recent roles include Prince Eric in Hartford Players’ The Little Mermaid and Sir Lancelot in Falls Patio Players’ Spamalot. He is honored to be a part of two groups which have enriched his life: The Milwaukee Choristers (directed by Dr. James B. Kinchen, Jr.) and the church choir at St. James in Menomonee Falls (directed by Barb Schuelke). Ben would like to thank his fellow cast mates, directors, and crew for a wonderful experience and his family and friends for their endless support. Enjoy the show!

Aidan Batiansila (Turkey Boy/Toy Soldier/Past Child/Street Urchin) Aidan is very excited about reprising his role as Turkey Boy for his fourth production of Christmas Carol. His other previous roles were Street Urchin/Toy Soldier, and Young Ebenezer. Aidan has years of both stage and film experience. He also loves playing the tenor saxophone and singing with the school choir. Aidan wishes everyone to have a wonderful Christmas feast with a turkey as big as him!

Ethan Batiansila (Ensemble) Ethan is thrilled to be back for his fourth production of Christmas Carol. His previous roles were Young Ebenezer/Street Urchin, Turkey Boy, and Peter Cratchit. Ethan has been in several stage productions and film roles throughout the years. He also enjoys playing multiple instruments and studies acting and vocal performance. Ethan would like to wish all a very Merry Christmas!

Aidan Brukbacher (Boy Scrooge/Ensemble) Aidan is in the fifth grade in Germantown. He loves to act, play piano, German dance, play baseball, and wrestle. He is very excited to be a part of Christmas Carol with Patio Players for the second time. He hopes you all enjoy watching it!

GiGi Carlino (Ensemble) GiGi started in theater last year at the age of 9 with Patio Players’ production of Mulan Jr and James and the Giant Peach Jr. Her 1st Director, Linda Hake, inspired her love for the theater. Gianna is very excited to be in Christmas Carol for the first time! It has been her family’s tradition to start the Holiday season with Falls Patio Players production of Christmas Carol, and it is a dream come true to get to perform for the community and her classmates at Valley View!

Laura Ciletti (Ensemble) This will be the 22nd consecutive Christmas show that Laura has been in with Patio Players. Her daughter Krista was 8 years old when she convinced her to audition with her and the rest is history. She has been in thirteen musicals as well and it is hard to pick a favorite. She also is in charge of Publicity and the Playbill ads along with many other various jobs. She wishes you all a Blessed Christmas.

Riley Cowan (Ensemble) Riley is excited to get you in the holiday spirit in his first production of Christmas Carol! He’s been in several FPP plays, including Wizard of Oz, Aladdin, Alice in Wonderland and Mulan. Riley is a 5th grader at MacArthur Elementary in Germantown. He loves acting, art, Minecraft, his family and his dog.
**Cast Biographies continued**

**Dottie Crain (Mrs. Dilber)**  Dottie is excited to be bringing this role to the stage for the 3rd time. She is grateful to Mike and her children for encouraging her all those years ago to audition with them, as it has led to many friendships she cherishes. Other favorite roles: Mrs Fezziwig, The Queen in *Cinderella*, Dora in *Girls of the Garden Club*. She is thrilled to perform in this renovated theatre, especially since she attended high school here. Thank you to everyone for your support of Falls Patio Players. “That’s the truest words that were ever spoke”.

**Mike Crain (Ebenezer Scrooge)**  Mike is thrilled to be bringing Mr. Scrooge to life again this year; it is truly a labor of love. He would like to thank his wife Dottie for all her love, support, and encouragement. Other favorite roles: King (*Cinderella*), Christmas Present (*Christmas Carol*), Mayor Shinn (*Music Man*). He would like to wish everyone a Merry and a Happy Christmas, and “may something wonderful come from the story that you are about to see.”

**Glenn DeVoe (Mr. Fezziwig/Old Joe)**  Glenn hails from Cincinnati, Ohio where he stumbled upon the wicked stage. He has appeared in such shows as *A Chorus Line* (Bobby), *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat* (GAD) and *The Music Man* (Marcellus Washburn). As with the rule for using glitter...“more IS more”, Glenn promises to deliver laughs and have you going home with a smile in your heart and on your face! But if you stop off for pizza after the show, pick him up a slice of sausage and mushrooms. Yummy, although sometimes it does talk back—but hey...it’s still pizza.

**Kailee Doherty (Ensemble)**  Kailee is a junior at Menomonee Falls High School and loves being on stage and performing! She has been playing violin for 9 years and loves to act and sing in the MFHS Master Singers Choir, church, and at home. Kailee danced with Milwaukee Ballet for 12 years and was in, *The Nutcracker* for 8 years, performing in various roles. Some favorite roles include: Aphrodite in *Dear Edwina Jr.*, Mrs. Gloop in *Willy Wonka Jr.*, Tinkerbell in *Peter Pan Jr.*, Sorority girl and Ensemble in *Legally Blonde* and a Who and Ensemble in *Seussical*. She can’t wait to spread Christmas cheer in this holiday classic and looks forward to the opportunity to be a part of Patio Players performances in the future.

**Lynda DuPuy (Mrs. Fezziwig)**  Lynda’s love for theater began at Pius XI High School as a Chorus member in *King & I*, as Sarah Brown in *Guys and Dolls*, and stage crew for various shows. She furthered her love of music and theater by teaching and directing shows at St. Gabriel School for 10 years. She joined Patio Players last year, helping on set construction and crew. She also keeps busy singing for weddings, as a Cantor at St. Gabriel Parish, and singing the Anthem for the Milwaukee Brewers.

**JJ Eagleeye (Urchin/MM)**  JJ returns in his second year of *Christmas Carol*. He has appeared in St. Mary’s productions of *Peter Pan* (Crab), *Annie* (Wacky & Jacky), and *Grease* (Ensemble). Jj’s first Falls Patio Players appearance was *Little Mermaid* (Ensemble). His signature role was lead in the St. Mary’s production of *Mary Poppins* (Bert).

**Derek Fairburn (Ensemble)**  This will be Derek’s fifth production of Patio Players’ *Christmas Carol*. He began when he was just nine years old, playing the role of Tiny Tim. Derek has been involved with Falls Patio Players for almost ten years, and is especially proud to have been a part of their production of *Hairspray*! In his spare time, Derek is a part of the Accompany of Kids show choir, based in Menomonee Falls.

**Molly Flanagan (Ensemble)**  Molly is so excited to be back on the new FPP stage for another *Christmas Carol*! She is so happy to have the chance to work with her Patio Players family and her Dad. Her favorite roles include Tiny Tim (*Christmas
Carol, Lily St.Regis (Annie), and Agnes (Gypsy). She also had the opportunity to perform at Carnegie Hall in New York this past summer. She hopes you love the show as much as she does!

**Tom Flanagan** (*Christmas Present/Gent #1*) Tom is happy to return to *Christmas Carol*, reprising this role for the third time. In previous productions, he has played Ebenezer Scrooge, Old Joe, and Mr. Fezziwig. Favorite roles include Franklin Hart, Jr. (*9 to 5*), Gary Peter Lefkowitz (*I Hate Hamlet*), Sitting Bull (*Annie, Get Your Gun*) and Oliver Warbucks (*Annie*). Last year, he was Weezer’s lead singer at Milwaukee’s Spoof Fest, and was proud to host FPP’s patriotic revue (*Over Here*) this past summer. He loves sharing the stage with his beautiful daughter, Molly, and plans to soon join “The Guy Who Plays Mr. Belvedere Fan Club.” Golly Willy, he hopes you enjoy the show!

**Cassidy Franzmeier** (*Isabelle*) Cassidy is overjoyed to participate in her sixth *Christmas Carol!* Previously, Cassidy was Belinda, Martha, and Isabelle. A senior at Germantown High School, she is Choir Council President, an Emerging Women’s Salon participant and an AP Scholar with Distinction. She also recycles a lot. When not singing in the shower, you can find Cassidy cooking vegan food. Cassidy will be in college next year as she works toward a violin performance major.

**Rachael Griepentrog** (*Ensemble*) This is Rachael’s third FPP *Christmas Carol*; she has previously been in the ensemble (2016) and on stage crew (2015). She has done set building and stage crew for other Patio shows since 2014. In her free time she enjoys geocaching and coaches Special Olympics swimming. She would like to thank her husband for his support.

**Jack Hake** (*Peter Cratchit*) Jack is thrilled to be returning to FPP’s *Christmas Carol*. He made his theater debut in this same show in 2011 as an urchin. Since then he has been on many different stages. His favorite roles include Josh in *Mockingbird* (First Stage) and Shrek in *Shrek Jr.* (North Middle School). When not on stage, he enjoys volunteering for First Stage’s Next Steps program for children with autism, playing his french horn, and being a member of the rock climbing team at Menomonee Falls High School where he is a freshman. Jack would like to thank Karen, Jeff, and Melissa for the opportunity to be in this show again!

**Hank Hart** (*Marley/Gent #3*) As a newcomer to the Patio Players, Hank is excited for *Christmas Carol*. In his high school years Hank played roles in *Bye, Bye Birdie*, *Oklahoma*, and *Out of the Frying Pan*. Hank was recently in *The Late Great Potentate* (King) at Crossroads Presbyterian Church.

**Julia Holst** (*Ensemble*) Julia is very excited to be back in *Christmas Carol* this year. She is active in her school choir and enjoys volleyball. She has also been in *Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*, *Honk Jr.*, *Willy Wonka Jr.*, & *Peter Pan Jr.*. She wants to thank her family for all of their support and hopes you enjoy the show!

**Elisabeth Holst** (*Ensemble*) Elisabeth is in her 5th production of *Christmas Carol* with FPP. She has also been in *Annie, Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Honk Jr.*, *Willy Wonka Jr.*, *Peter Pan Jr.*, & *Shrek Jr.*. Elisabeth would like to thank everyone for supporting her throughout her journey and all of the people in the audience. Enjoy the show and have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Linnea Huntoon** (*Ensemble*) Linnea is a 6th grade student at Kennedy Middle School. She enjoys sharing her love of acting, dancing, and singing on stage which she has been doing since she was 4 years old. This is her second year in *Christmas Carol* and looks forward to many more. She is so glad you are here to celebrate the holiday season with Patio Players. Merry Christmas!
Charlie Kelley (Ensemble) Charlie has been in many different performances with Falls Patio Players. In his free time he enjoys singing and dancing with Accompany of Kids from Menomonee Falls. He has done a few on-screen productions including a short film, commercial, and a movie. When he’s not busy on stage or set, he enjoys photography and hanging out with friends. He would like to thank his friends and family for always supporting him.

Zachary Klahn (Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come/Dick Wilkins) Zach is excited to be doing his third show at FPP! It’s been few years since he was in Seven Brides for Seven Brothers and he enjoyed being able to reconnect with some awesome friends, especially Carl, and to make many new ones!!

Caitlin Kryscio (Ensemble) Caitlin is excited to be a member of this talented cast. She would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her, and hopes that you enjoy the show!

Lia Krystowiak (Ensemble) Lia is enjoying her time as a member of the ensemble of Christmas Carol. She hopes that the audience likes the show and wishes everyone a happy and healthy holiday season. Thanks to her cast mates, the crew, and especially her family for the opportunity to be a part of this wonderful production.

Justin Lehman (Ensemble/Young Scrooge/Gent #5) Justin would like to thank you all for coming to see the show. He hopes you have as much fun watching as we all had performing. He would like to thank all the amazing people backstage who help make this thing go. We’d be in the dark without you. Merry Christmas!

Kellie LeTart (Ensemble) This is Kellie’s 5th year doing Christmas Carol and she is thrilled. She is a senior at Dominican High School and next year she is excited to be studying psychology. She hopes you have a great holiday season and enjoy the show!

Sarah Leurquin (Christmas Past) Sarah is a senior at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School. Sarah loves community theater and has been in 10 productions with Falls Patio Players. Her favorite role is Ghost of Christmas Past, which she is playing for the second time this year. Sarah has received the Exemplary Soloist Award for her Musical Theater Performance at the WSMA state competition. In May, Sarah will be in her first professional production with the Florentine Opera, as one of the three spirits in The Magic Flute. Sarah will be pursuing vocal performance at UW-Oshkosh after graduation. Sarah hopes you enjoy the show and have a blessed Christmas! She sends a special thank you to her friends and family for their support.

Mary Beth Ludin (Baker) Mary Beth is so excited to be in the Falls Patio Players Christmas Carol for her second year. It’s been such a fun filled time working again with her friends in the cast, crew, and all the directors. Mary Beth would like to extend a huge thank you to her co-workers and family for their support and encouragement. She hopes that watching this play will bring out the human kindness, happiness, love, and joy in all of you! Have a Blessed & Merry Christmas!

Jason D. Meier (Fred/Undertaker) Jason is making his 4th Christmas Carol appearance. Other performances include Seven Brides for Seven Brothers (Frank), 9 to 5 (Duane), Chicago (Harrison), and Fiddler on the Roof (Fyedka). Jason owns a custom laser engraving company and competes in Canine Agility with his dog. They are currently the #1 “All American” team in the country and will be competing at the AKC Invitationals in December.

Julianna Mohrfeld (Ensemble) Julianna is excited to be returning to the Falls Patio Players where she was cast in The Little Mermaid Jr. She started theatre acting after landing the lead part in Annie, in the St. Mary School production in 5th grade. Julianna also appeared in
the 2016 production of Hello Dolly at Catholic Memorial High School. She has been singing in her church choir since the age of 7 and has learned to play both the piano and guitar by ear. She looks forward to performing in future productions at Falls Patio Players!

Craig Pierce (Ensemble/Gent #4) Craig is a Patio mainstay, having appeared in countless musicals and plays since 2008. You may have seen him in The Sound of Music (Party Guest/Nazi), The Pajama Game (Charlie), Grease (Ensemble), Oliver (Ensemble), Annie (Mr. Bundles/Wacky), Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (Ensemble), 9 to 5 (Ensemble), Seven Brides for Seven Brothers (Zeke), Hairspray (Ensemble), Godspell (Craig), and in a number of roles throughout the years in Christmas Carol. He is happy to be a part of this Christmas Carol cast and hopes you enjoy the show.

Ellora Rangel (Ensemble) Ellora is a 6th grader at Kennedy Middle School and is making her 4th appearance in Christmas Carol with Patio Players. She just recently performed as a Mersister in The Little Mermaid and will be appearing in First Stage's presentation of Judy Moody and Stink in the spring of 2018. In addition to acting and singing, she loves soccer and Stranger Things. She would like to thank the wonderful cast, crew and her parents for all of their support and guidance. Enjoy the show!

Jenna Reetz Kreuzer (Mrs. Shelby/Helen) The Patio Player’s Christmas Carol has been a beloved part of Jenna’s holiday tradition since 1990. She is excited to be performing alongside so many close friends, and hopes you enjoy the new additions to the show this year. Jenna tied the knot with her favorite crew member Alex this past October. By day, Jenna is a social worker in Milwaukee.

Sydney Robbins (Ensemble) Sydney is making her 1st Christmas Carol appearance. Other performances include The Little Mermaid Jr. (Allana), James and the Giant Peach Jr. (Bitsy Botana), Mulan Jr. (Fa Li/Chinese Soldier/Hun), and Alice in Wonderland Jr. (Lily). Sydney is a member of the Germantown Power Poms team. The Power Poms team placed 1st in kick and poms at their recent Power of Purple competition at Carroll College in October.

Kara Roeming (Toymaker) Kara is excited to be performing with the Patio Players after a five year hiatus from the stage. She is thrilled to be sharing the stage with her daughter this time. Past shows include Christmas Carol (Ensemble), It’s a Wonderful Life (Mary) and Beauty & the Beast (Babette).

Lucy Roeming (Ensemble) Lucy can’t wait to be on stage for the first time! She is excited to be performing in Christmas Carol with her mom. She is a second grader at County Line Elementary and loves to sing, read and play with her little brother.
Cast Biographies continued

**Morgan Rozansky (Belinda Cratchit)**
Morgan is a 7th grade student at Maple Dale School in Fox Point. Most recently she was in *Esperanza Rising* (Ramona) with the Milwaukee Youth Theatre. In her free time Morgan plays basketball and plays with her dog Gryffindor Padfoot Rozansky. She is excited to be in her first Falls Patio Players show!

**Aubree Sapinski (Martha Cratchit)**
Aubree is happy to be performing alongside her sister, as her sister! She hopes you enjoy their performances. She thanks her family for their support.

**Ashlyn Sapinski (Mary Cratchit)**
Ashlyn is excited to join this cast, and is honored to have a chance to be a part of the Cratchit family. She and her sister wish you a happy holidays and that you enjoy the show. She sends her thanks and affection to her family.

**Jennifer Sciuti (Ensemble)**
Jennifer has been performing with Falls Patio Players since 2012 and is so happy to be a part of this annual Christmas tradition. Jennifer stays involved with the company by helping on and off stage and is honored to be part of the first production in the newly remodeled theater! Cheers to a happy holiday season!

**Olivia Seidemann (Tiny Tim)**
Olivia is thrilled to be making her *Christmas Carol* debut! She has also appeared in FPP’s *Mulan, Jr.* and a number of other theater and vocal performances throughout the community. Olivia is a 6th Grader at PPMS. When she is not busy at rehearsals, she enjoys spending time with friends and family, creative writing, and traveling with her family. She thanks her family for supporting her and wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas!

**Al Van Lith (Gent #2/Ensemble)**
Al is pleased once again to be with Falls Patio Players. He has recently performed with FPP in *Spamalot, Enchanted April* and *My Fair Lady*. He has also performed in *Jesus Christ Superstar, The Wizard of Oz* and *Curtains*. Al is thankful for the love and support he gets from his family and friends as he continues to pursue his passion of being on stage.

**Olivia Wardlow (Ensemble)**
Olivia attends Milwaukee Spanish Immersion School. She is excited to perform in the roles of Urchin, Soldier, and Villager dancer. This is her second performance in *Christmas Carol*. When Olivia is not performing in theater, she dances with the Ko-Thi Dance Company.

**Anna Marie Zorn (Mrs. Cratchit)**
Anna Marie is delighted to join Patio Players in this beautifully renovated theater for another *Christmas Carol* season! This is Anna Marie’s fourth appearance on the FPP stage, and she most recently performed in *Enchanted April* (Lotty). Many thanks to her loving family, especially Jeff and Eli, as well as to her dedicated support squad from TMS. To the wonderful friends she has made in the Patio Players: thanks, love, and joy to you all! Happy Holidays!
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Karen McKinney (Director) Since appearing in the Ensemble of Oklahoma! in 1984, Karen's involvement with Patio Players has been extensive and varied. She spent many years on the Board of Directors, in the Box Office, worked crew, and performed in a plethora of productions, most recently in last season's Enchanted April (Mrs. Graves). Her directorial credits for Patio Players include Guys on Ice, The Dixie Swim Club, Mama Won't Fly, and Christmas Carol (2015, 2016, and 2017).

Melissa I. Bloch-Meier (Assistant Artistic Director, Choreographer) is excited to be choreographing her 20th musical for FPP since her return to the Milwaukee area in 2006. She also served as Director/Choreographer for two productions of Christmas Carol and has choreographed many other musicals for Sunset Playhouse, Waukesha Civic, Shorewood Players, West Bend's Musical Masquers, Brookfield Academy, Hartford Union High School, and Whitefish Bay Middle School. Some favorites include Chicago, Hairspray, Seven Brides for Seven Brothers, Seussical, Grease, and Fiddler on the Roof (where she met her husband). This summer, Melissa was the recipient of the 1st Annual Footlights Performing Arts Award for Best Choreography for her work on Chicago. Melissa began her Patio career as a Dancing Doll in the 1986 production of Pinocchio. She holds a BS in Engineering Physics, an MS in Mechanical Engineering and spends her days as a Process and Learning Manager for GE Healthcare in Waukesha. She is also currently pursuing her PhD in Education at UW-Milwaukee.

Jeffrey Shoemaker (Music Director/Pit Conductor) Jeff is excited to be involved with another show at Falls Patio Players. He would like to thank Roger, the Board, Karen, Melissa, and all of the amazing and talented cast and crew for allowing him to be part of this great production and being so easy to work with. Jeff musical credits include: Beauty and the Beast Jr, Little Mermaid Jr, Aladdin Jr, Music Man Jr, Schoolhouse Rock Live, Sweet Charity, Thoroughly Modern Millie, Annie, Grease, Little Shop of Horrors, Guys and Dolls, Anything Goes, Hello Dolly, Sound of Music, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Footloose, Hairspray, and many more. Jeff is a Menomonee Falls Alumni, a former Accompany of Kids member, and was in shows with Patio as a younger kid. Enjoy the Show!

Leah Schneider Wank (Stage Manager) is thrilled to be appearing again in this long-sought role. Other favorite Christmas Carol roles have been Isabelle (2012), Mrs. Shelby (2013), and light board op (2015). She thanks the many stage managers who have inspired her over the years, and the man who continues to inspire her every day.

Roger Bochek (Artistic Director/Scenic Designer/Costume Designer) Roger has completed his thirty-third season with Falls Patio Players. Roger is a past recipient of the Waukesha Arts Alliance Artistic Achievement Award for Set and Costume Design, the Opera Theatre Award for Set and Costume Design, and is a member of the American Costumers Guild. His work has been seen in many area theatres including: The Milwaukee Rep, Great Lakes Opera, the Milwaukee Opera, Skylight Opera, Sunset Playhouse, Waukesha Civic and many other theatres. Roger is also a member of both the Wisconsin Association of Community Theatres and the American Association of Community Theatres. In June 2011 Roger was honored by the Menomonee Falls School District for his continuing support of theatre and the performing arts in Menomonee Falls. In his other life Roger is the executive assistant to the Vice President of Appraisal Services for US Bank, and a partner in Christine Rodgers Ltd, an art and antique business with Christine Stransky.
Alex Kreuzer (Assistant Technical Director)
This is Alex’s first season as Technical Director after two seasons as Assistant Technical Director for Falls Patio Players. He has been a member of the Patio stage crew for several seasons and has discovered a real appreciation for theater and the people he has encountered in it. He enjoys problem solving and coming up with graceful solutions to the problems that theater presents. When not helping out at Patio, Alex can be found solving customers’ computing woes in his career as an IT professional, or pursuing one of his many interests, including working on his house, spending time with family and friends, trying new and interesting beers, and travel. He would like to thank his family and friends, as well as Jenna for going through with it.

Tom Matasek (Sound Designer)
Tom’s Audio Engineering days started in Canada many years ago in the late 70’s and early 80’s with numerous touring acts. Here in Wisconsin, at the Riverside Theater, he spent some time with the Booze brothers. Currently, he’s the Parent advisor to the Slinger High School Tech Crew and Technical Director for the High School Musicals, teaching this craft to some wonderful students. During the summer Tom and his wife coordinate the students to do stage hand work for the main stage at the Washington County Fair, giving the wonderful experience of working with many touring acts. Believe it or not, some of these kids actually are doing this stuff in college and professionally. Go figure!

Alan Piotrowicz (Lighting Designer)
Alan is joining us for his 9th Christmas Carol, having served as the resident lighting designer for Falls Patio Players from 2009-2016. Based in Milwaukee, he has worked for several other fine companies throughout Wisconsin, as well as with TITAN Theatre Co. in New York. He received his training at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and The Santa Fe Opera. www.alanpiotrowicz.com

Rose Schwartz (Prop Master)
Rose started as an usher and has been active in many areas of the theater for Falls Patio Players. It has been an enjoyable and rewarding experience working with such a hardworking, dedicated and talented cast and crew. There is always one difficult prop in every show to create or find. Thank you to our audience for supporting the arts.

Auditions

Auditions for Falls Patio Players’ Diary of Anne Frank
AUDITION DATES: Dec. 4: 7 - 9:30 p.m. & Dec. 5: 7 - 9:30 p.m.
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The Optimist Club of Menomonee Falls

The Optimist Club of Menomonee Falls meets every Wednesday morning at 7:15 in room 102 of the Menomonee Falls Community Center, N8645 Margaret Road.

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by Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett

February 2018
Feb. 2-3, 9-10 @ 7:30 pm
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