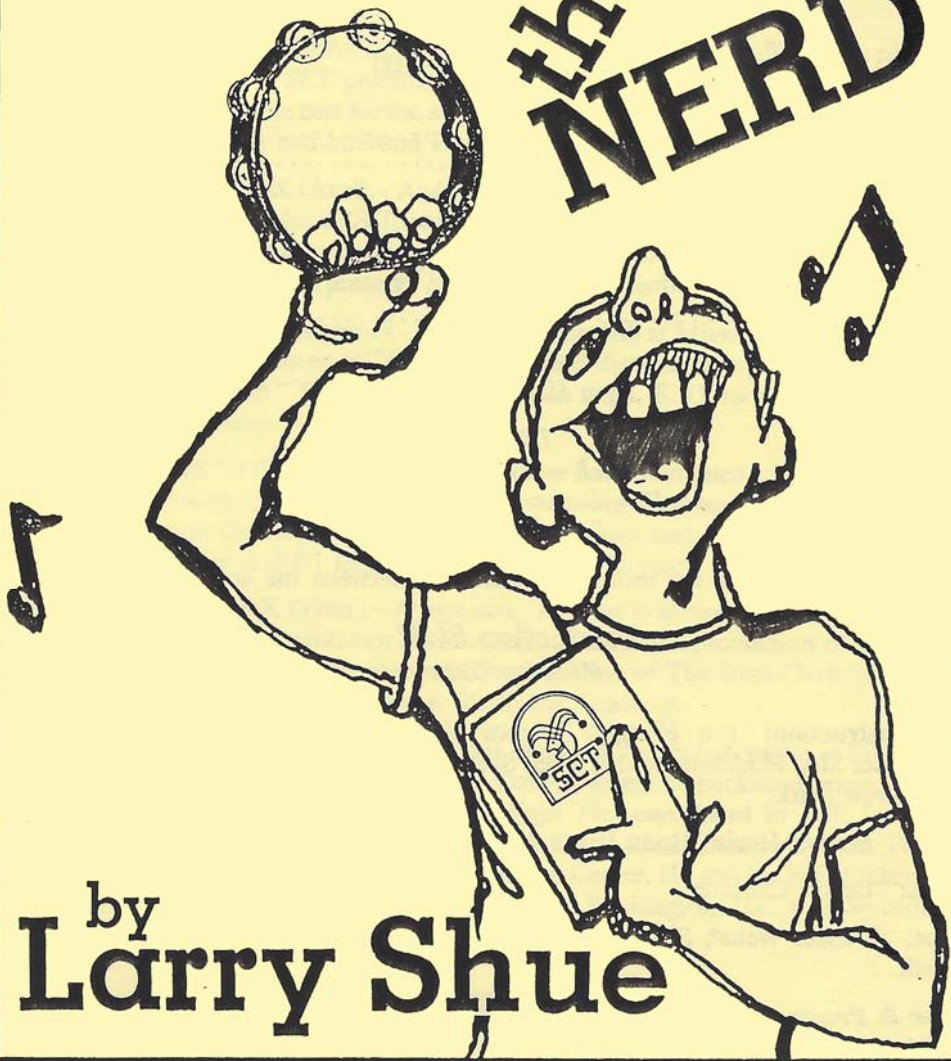


# the NERD



by  
**Larry Shue**

**Greensboro Center Auditorium**

Produced by special arrangement with Dramatists' Play Service

Starkville Community Theatre • Boardtown Players

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Directed by John E. Wells

Assistant Director, Fay Kirk

Production Assistant, Marty Morris

## Cast

(in order of appearance)

WILLUM CUBBERT .....	Christopher Slay
TANSY McGINNIS .....	Terry McDowell
AXEL HAMMOND .....	Andy Erickson
WARNOCK WALDGRAVE .....	E. O. Hawkins
CLELIA WALDGRAVE .....	Madeline Golden
THOR WALDGRAVE .....	Andrew Stark
RICK STEADMAN .....	Fred Slabach

## PLACE:

*Terre Haute, Indiana*

## TIME:

*Act I — November 4*

*Act II — Scene 1 - Six days later*

*Scene 2 - the following day*

(There is a ten minute intermission between the acts.)

## Production Staff

(\*Chairperson)

**Set Construction:** Jim Horton\*, Warren Young, Fay Kirk, Marty Morris, Christopher Slay, Madeline Golden, Fred Slabach, William Watkins, Frances Wells, and Andrew Stark.

**Sound:** Marty Morris\*, Brian Hoots

**Lights:** Dewitt Caillavet

**Props:** Frances Wells\*, Sharon Powe, Martha Barnes, Brett Barnes, and Ralph Braseh.

**Poster & Program Design:** Betty Mac Wilson

**Publicity:** David McMillen

**Photography:** Marty Morris

**Costumes:** Shirley Kitzman\*, Stan Moreland, Dawn Woods, and Mallory Scholl. (Monster costume designed and constructed by Stan and Dawn).

**First Night Party:** David and Dixie McMillen

**Makeup:** Paula Hudson\*, Genie Stark, Lauren Chapman, and Elizabeth Hood.



## The Cast

**CHRISTOPHER SLAY (Willum)** - The Nerd is Christopher's second appearance on this stage. His first was in a production of his seventh grade English class fifteen years ago when the Greensboro Center was Starkville Middle School. Christopher says, "It seems like only a few weeks ago since I first looked out from this stage." Chris is a disc jockey for radio station WKOR and is studying for his second degree at Mississippi State University.

**TERRY REESE McDOWELL (Tansey)** - A Starkville native, Terry has performed a variety of roles in SCT productions. She appeared earlier this year in **Steel Magnolias**, and was in the cast for the award-winning **Octette Bridge Club**. Terry teaches second grade. She and husband B. L. have three sons; Ledge, Silas, and Matt.

**ANDY ERICKSON (Axel)** - Andy is a senior at Starkville High School where he is vice-president of the SHS Thespian Troupe. Andy's SCT debut was in **I Remember Mama**. He has since performed in SCT's **Our Town** and **God's Favorite**. Andy is also a magician and presents his magic act at birthday parties.

**E. O. HAWKINS (Walgrave)** - Professor of English at Mississippi State University, E. O. has acted in seven SCT productions and directed three. He says his favorite role is "all of them." When not in class or on stage, E. O. most often can be found on the golf course.

**MADELINE GOLDEN (Clelia)** - Madeline has entertained many SCT audiences and holds the distinction of performing in two award-winning SCT competition plays, **Tintypes** and **Octette Bridge Club**. She loves cats and is especially dedicated to Baby Kitty, her faithful feline companion of eight years.

**ANDREW STARK (Thor)** - At age nine, Andrew is already a veteran of the stage. He appeared as the professor in Starkville Academy's production of **The Wack-O-Doo Zoo** and was in the recent SCT production of **The Best Christmas Pageant Ever**. Andrew is a third-grader at Starkville Academy.

**FRED SLABACH (Rick)** - The Nerd is Fred's SCT debut. A native of Pike County, Mississippi, Fred attended Mississippi College where he performed many parts, including Henry David Thoreau in **The Night Thoreau Spent In Jail**, Starbuck in **The Rainmaker**, and Snoopy in **You're A Good Man Charlie Brown**. Fred is a graduate of the University of Mississippi Law Center. He and his wife Melany Neilson moved to Starkville/Mississippi State from Washington, D.C. with Senator John C. Stennis's office.

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**NEXT . . .** Watch for audition announcements in June for SCT's next production which will play in July.

**House:** Nelson Westmoreland, Starkville High School Thespian Troupe, Beta Alpha Psi Honorary Accounting Fraternity at Mississippi State University.

# SCT's TEN SEASONS

## 1978-1979

*6 rms riv vu (summer)*  
*You Can't Take It With You*  
*Dial M for Murder*  
*Little Mary Sunshine*

## 1979-1980

*The Wager (summer)*  
*Curious Savage*  
*Vanities*  
*Mary, Mary*  
*Bye, Bye, Birdie*

## 1980-1981

*Arsenic and Old Lace*  
*Spoon River Anthology\**  
*The Rainmaker*  
*Bell, Book and Candle*

## 1981-1982

*Blithe Spirit*  
*Plaza Suite*  
*White Sheep of the Family*

## 1982-1983

*The Man Who Came to Dinner*  
*The American Dame\**  
*Wait Until Dark*  
*Barefoot in the Park*  
*The Five Little Peppers\*\**

## 1983-1984

*I Remember Mama*  
*Close Ties*  
*A Thousand Clowns*  
*Peter Pan\*\**

## 1984-1985

*Our Town*  
*The Philadelphia Story*  
*Forty Carats*

## 1985-1986

*Tintypes\**  
*John Brown's Body*  
*How the Other Half Loves*

## 1986-1987

*Harvey*  
*The Octette Bridge Club\**  
*Critic's Choice*

## 1987-1988

*Witness for the Prosecution*  
*God's Favorite*  
*A Bad Year For Tomatoes*

*\*State Competition Play*

*\*\*Children's Theatre Production*