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Lyrics by
JOHNNY MERCER

Music by
GENE de PAUL

New songs by
AL KASHA & JOEL HIRSCHHORN

Based on the MGM Film and
"The Sobbin' Women" by Stephen Vincent Benet

Originally Directed for Broadway by LAWRENCE KASHA
Originally Produced on Broadway by Lawrence KASLAN PRODUCTIONS INC

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CAST LIST

BROTHERS

ADAM Daniel Jackson
BENJAMIN Parry Peacock
CALEB Talon Mortenson
DANIEL TC George
EPHRAIM Derek Meanea
FRANK Isaac Merrick
GIDEON Uel John

BRIDES

MILLY Korinne Peacock
DORCAS Talia Wilhelm
RUTH Naomi Mortenson
LIZA Hannah Taggart
MARTHA Adelle Hacking
SARAH Raelynn Gaskill
ALICE Shanda Morton

SUITORS

NATHAN Ben Hardin
LUKE Zachery Bean
MATT Eligh Richardson
JOEL Bronson Merrill
ZEKE Ryan Bartholomeusz
JEB Landyn Anderton

TOWNSPEOPLE

PREACHER Obern Mayes
PREACHER'S WIFE Lacy Bartholomeusz
MR HOALLUM Kevin Gittins
MRS HOALLUM Hilary Richards
MR SANDERS Jeff Allen
MRS SANDERS Loretta Allen
ENSEMBLE RyLeigh Slaugh, Uela Sheffer

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Jannell Barker
Jared Heaps
Jason Stone
Jessica Bartling
Jessica Evans
JoAnn McDaniel
Joey Bascom
John Laursen
KaLynn Sheffer
Kasey Aposhian
Lana Arthur

Lea Ann Jolley
LeeAnn George
Linda Kidd
Marcia Barber
Marcia Borton
Margaret Smith
Mary Pape
Megan Hirschi
Misty Thomas
Nikolas Keyes
Obern Mayes
Pam Bentz
Pam Cannon

Pat Mecham
Ryan Bartholomeusz
Stacia Watkins
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Steven Cowling
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TC George
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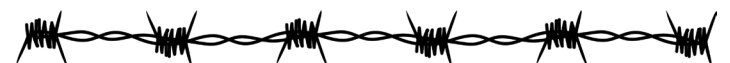
ACT 1

- Gallant and Correct - Townspeople
- Bless Your Beautiful Hide - Adam
- Wonderful, Wonderful Day - Milly and Brides
- I Married Seven Brothers - Milly and Townspeople
- Goin' Courtin' - Milly and Brothers
- Challenge Dance - Full Cast
- Love Never Goes Away - Adam, Gideon, Milly
- Sobbin' Women - Adam and Brothers

INTERMISSION

ACT 2

- The Kidnapping - Full Cast
- Suitors' Lament - Suitors and Townspeople
- Where Were You? - Adam
- We Gotta Make It Through the Winter - Brothers
- We Gotta Make It Reprise / Lonesome Polecat - Brides and Brothers
- Spring Dance - Brides and Brothers
- Am I Stubborn? - Adam
- Glad That You Were Born - Milly, Brides and Brothers
- Love Never Goes Away Reprise - Milly and Adam
- The Chase - Full Cast
- Wonderful Day Reprise - Milly and Adam
- Wedding Dance - Full Cast



PRODUCTION TEAM

Director..... Russell Pearson
 Assistant Director Ashley Slaugh
 Stage Manager Kathryn Peacock
 Assistant Stage Manager Kristin Meanea
 Music Director Karilynne Pearson
 Choreographer Megan Pearson
 Props McKenna Christiansen
 Costumes Rachel Smuin
 Costume Assistant Stacey Stamper
 Sound Technician Brycelynn Hunting
 Light Technician..... Mea Averett
 Spotlights Grace Gale, Kate Sorenson
 Set Construction Daniel Jackson, Kathryn Peacock,
 Korinne Peacock, Hannalyn Jackson
 Set Painting McKenna Christiansen, Nashelle Jackson,
 Production Prep Class
 Headshots Joie Madison
 Poster Design Amber Young
 Playbill Layout Andrea Wardle



DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Welcome to Vernal Theatre: LIVE's Season 10 production of *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*. I feel honored and humbled to have been asked to direct this show. There has been a lot of work that has been put into the show by the cast, the stage managers, the props, the costumers, the set builders, the music director and the choreographer. They have literally built this show and made it what it is. I am so grateful to each one of them individually that I can not adequately express all my thanks to their devotion to make this a top notch show! I am so pleased to have been able to work with you. So in the words of Lennon and McCartney "BLESS YOUR BEAUTIFUL HIDE(S)!"

Russell Pearson





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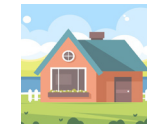
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UEL JOHN *Gideon*

"I have been told by many to try theatre, I have also been told I should get married. And after years and years of asking, I finally said yes... (to both). Okay, okay, I asked her. I am happy to join the Vernal Theatre: LIVE family and I'm even more happy to do it with my fiance. I love you, Shanda. You are the prettiest girl I ever acquainted."



UELA SHEFFER *Townsperson*

"I'm so glad that *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* is my first production. I'm so grateful for this opportunity. I love purple elephants!!"



ZACHERY BEAN *Luke*

"Remember to cheer for your local suitors!"



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CAST BIOS



RYLEIGH SLAUGH *Townsperson*

"I am so excited to be a part of *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* and thankful I get to do this with my mom and with Bronson. Thankful for my family and friends that support me in my love for the theatre. Thanks for coming to the show. Also, I love you Nana and Papa."



SHANDA MORTON *Alice*

"This is my first show at Vernal Theatre: LIVE and it's been an absolute blast! I've been able to learn so much, especially having such a fun role and getting to know what it's like being the youngest! This show has definitely helped me make it through the winter! ;)"



TALIA WILHELM *Dorcas*

"I'm a wife and mom of two. My love of dance led me to theatre, where movement became story. *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* is my favorite show—its energy and heart inspire. This is my eleventh show, and I'm excited to be a part of it! I'm grateful for the friendships this show has brought, and for my husband who makes it possible for me to do this."



TALON MORTENSON *Caleb*

Talon is thrilled to make his theater debut in *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*. Raised on a farm with five brothers, he feels a special connection to this story. He carries his late mother's love of theater with him onstage and thanks his wife, Naomi, his family, and the cast and crew for their unwavering support.



TC GEORGE *Daniel*

"*Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* has been a part of my life for years. From watching it on Sundays growing up, to being my first show in Jr High, to seeing it open Season 3 at VT:L and bringing me back into theatre. I'm grateful to be a part of this beautiful show again. All my love to my family and friends who have supported me in my theatre life."

CAST BIOS



NAOMI MORTENSON *Ruth*

This is Naomi's first production with Vernal Theatre: LIVE and she has loved every minute of it. She thanks her family and loved ones who have helped watch her daughter so that she and her husband, Talon, could be in this production. She dedicates this production to her recently passed mother-in-law, Lynaun, as she was their number one fan and supporter. "Thank you all for coming! Enjoy the show!"



OBERN MAYES *Preacher*

"This is my first show, and I've gained a new appreciation for all that happens behind the scenes. Shawndell, you're the gal for me!"



PARRY PEACOCK *Benjamin*

"It's been a pleasure for me to have participated in this show, and since this is also the final show of the 10th year, I can also say that it's been a great blessing in my life to have been able to do shows here. I look forward to participating in more in the future."



RAELYNN GASKILL *Sarah*

"I'm so grateful for this amazing opportunity to be in this show. I have loved being a part of this cast and loved all the connections I've made. This is my first time being on stage rather than behind the curtain or in the booth for a performance and I couldn't be happier. Thank you so much to everyone who has supported and helped give me this chance. (Hi Mama!)"



RYAN BARTHOLOMEUSZ *Zeke*

"I love acting and being a part of this cast. I have been in multiple Vernal Theatre: LIVE plays and junior shows. I am so excited for you to see *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*. GO DODGERS!"

CAST BIOS



ADELLE HACKING *Martha*

"I love theater. It's one of the best things I've ever decided to do. I've done around 10 shows now, but this one will forever hold a special place in my heart. I'm so grateful for all of these new friends I've grown to love so much. I'll miss you all."



BEN HARDIN *Nathan*

"Mornin'."



BRONSON MERRILL *Joel*

"This has been an amazing show! You may have seen me on stage before. Some of my favorite roles have been "Earthworm" from *James and the Giant Peach JR*, "Drake" in *Honk! JR*, and "Cosmo Brown" in *Singin' in the Rain JR.*, or "Coach Bolton" from *High School Musical JR* where I first stepped foot on stage!"



DANIEL JACKSON *Adam*

"I am a husband and father ready to reimagine the 1850s Oregon frontier. I recently appeared as "Cinderella's Prince" in *Into the Woods* and love bringing intensity and heart to complex roles. By day, I work as a health educator, and I'm grateful for the chance to share this story again. All my Love to N&H!"



DEREK MEANEA *Ephraim*

"I know the music is catchy, but PLEASE do not kidnap someone you want to marry. It WILL NOT WORK. Thank you for listening to my TED Talk. If it is your birthday tonight, Happy Birthday! This one's for you. ;)"

CAST BIOS



ELIGH RICHARDSON *Matt*

This is Eligh's 4th show at VT:L, and he is excited to be part of this production as "Matt". He previously appeared in *Annie* and loves performing, particularly when it involves dancing, physical comedy, and a lot of energy. Eligh has really enjoyed working with this cast and is excited to share the show with you. He hopes you enjoy the performance—and that the suitors get at least one win.



HANNAH TAGGART *Liza*

Hannah has been dancing her whole life. She was a competitive dancer for 13 years; four of those as a Cougarette on Union's drill team. This is Hannah's third musical at Vernal Theatre: LIVE. She was previously seen in *Annie* and *Clue*. She is so excited for the "Detective" and "Professor Plum" to finally get their happy ending. ;)



HILARY RICHARDS *Mrs. Hoallum*

Hilary is excited to join Vernal Theatre: LIVE after relocating from Colorado Springs. A classically trained singer, she has performed in the choir for *Lamb of God* multiple times and been a soloist in an Easter cantata. Most of her time is spent with her husband, raising their own brood of four children, and caring for their various animals.



ISAAC MERRICK *Frank*

"The show is *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*. It is a show unlike any others. They dance and they sing, Your joy they will bring. You'll want to come back for another!"



JEFF ALLEN *Mr. Sanders*

"I'm glad to be back onstage as VT:L wraps up Season 10. I'm not just here as an advisor because I saw something once, nor is this some kind of bug hunt. I say we take off and do the show from orbit. It's the only way to be certain. Here's to many more Seasons of theatrical magic! Try the cornbread and stay frosty!"

CAST BIOS



KEVIN GITTINS *Mr. Hoallum*

Kevin is ecstatic to be returning to the VT:L Stage! His recent shows include *Fiddler On The Roof* and *Oliver*. When not playing the grumpy, protective "Mr. Hoallum", he loves being husband to Lynnette and father to Roselyn. He wishes to thank them along with family and friends for supporting him in this performance!



KORINNE PEACOCK *Milly*

Korinne is once again happy to be doing a show with her family members and she is very grateful for their support both on and off the stage. (Can you guess which of the Pontipee boys is her brother?) "Enjoy the show!"



LACY BARTHOLOMEUSZ *Preacher's Wife*

"This is my second play with Vernal Theatre: LIVE and I love it. Thank you all for coming and seeing the play. Now sit back, relax, and welcome to my home state of Oregon."



LANDYN ANDERTON *Jeb*

"What is goody guys. I love you all. I would like to say thank you to my family for their support, especially Aunt Ida."



LORETTA ALLEN *Mrs. Sanders*

"Newly married and living in Vernal, I am honored to serve the community alongside my husband Jeff Allen "Mr. Sanders". Giving back to the community is very important to me, even if it is just a smile. Being part of the cast for *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* is a way to serve and give back. Thank you Vernal Community for this wonderful adventure."