



# LAKESWOOD THEATRE COMPANY

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## *The Man Who Came to Dinner*

By Moss Hart & George S. Kaufman

**Directed by Joe Theissen**

**Nov. 6. - Dec. 13, 2009**

*Thursdays - Saturdays at 7:30 PM (new time!)*

*Sundays at 7 PM, Nov. 8, 15 & 22*

*Sundays at 2 PM, Nov. 15, 19 & Dec. 6, 13*

Tickets: \$26 Adults, \$24 Students/Seniors

Written in 1939, this light-hearted comedy has relevance for today's audience as it takes a look at the private lives of celebrities when they're not on the stage.

Sheridan Whiteside (**Tobias Andersen**) comes to dinner at the home of the Ohio social couple Mr. and Mrs. Stanley (**Scott Malcolm** and **Jane Fellows**) during the Christmas season. Unfortunately for the Stanleys, Sheridan slips and falls on the ice of the homestead steps fracturing his hip. The local doctor (**Tim Park**), who is also a frustrated playwright, plops him in a wheelchair and the long term patient becomes the house guest from hell. The playwrights have patterned this personality after Alexander Woollcott, a celebrated critic and radio personality known for his wit and worldly manner.

What happens to the Stanleys shouldn't happen to a dog. Whiteside, who gives new meaning to the word curmudgeon, takes over the living room and all sorts of celebrities show up to wish the famous man a joyful holiday. Hart and Kaufman have patterned these folks after famous entertainment figures

of the day. Professor Metz (**Brian Al-lard**), a look alike of Albert Einstein, brings a glass-enclosed miniature city of 10,000 cockroaches; Beverly Carlton (**Sammuel Hawkins**) comes tap dancing in as a Noel Coward figure; stage star Lorraine Sheldon (**Margie Boulé**), comes slinking in like Gertrude Lawrence and Banjo (**Garland Lyons**), a zany comedian resembling Harpo Marx, stops by to visit his old pal and celebrate the holidays. Maggie Cutler (**Jill Westerby**), Whiteside's personal assistant, manages all the appointments but even she gets frustrated when some ex-convicts get invited to dinner and four penguins unexpectedly show up from Admiral Byrd.

Others in the cast include **Ellen Bloodworth**, **Matt Brown**, **Daniel Buntin**, **MaryAnne Glazebrook**, **Jeff Gorham**, **Anne Hargreaves**, **Andy Lee-Hillstrom**, **Megan Misslin**, **Christopher Mullens**, **Cheryl Nelson**, **Bob Rindt**, **Alyssa Roehrenbeck**, **Shea Mackinnon**, **Cole Jackson** and **Todd Tschida**.

Stage direction for *The Man Who Came to Dinner* is by **Joe Theissen**. Set design is by **Robert Vaughn**,

lighting design is by **Kurt Herman**, costume design is by **Allison Dawe**, properties are by **Sammuel Hawkins**, the stage manager is **Jessica Downs** and the producer is **Kay Vega**.



*Pictured:  
Tobias  
Andersen as  
Sheridan  
Whiteside,  
Anne Har-  
greaves  
as Nurse  
Preen and  
Jill West-  
erby as  
Maggie  
Cutler.*