



*K*athy was born, bred, and lived in Cleveland, Parma, Brooklyn, Strongsville, Macedonia, and Hudson, Ohio, respectively. Her parents were what Kathy likes to refer to as “Mr. & Mrs. Stewart,” well before Martha’s time! Their artistic and musical talents were unlimited, as was their level of creativity. She attributes to her parents, her constant thirst for new knowledge; her never ending curiosity about life and its components; and a strong belief about “people being treated fairly.”

Kathy’s employment and educational background includes twenty-years with National City Bank in Cleveland. It is here, where she met the love of her life, “Steve” (aka Stephen Collier.) In 1996, just two-months after their December, 1995 wedding, Steve was transferred to Erie, so

they packed up their worldly goods and headed east for a new life. One of Kathy’s many passions that she fulfills through self-employment is in Interior Design, as an Accessory Specialist and Consultant. Three of her (& Steve’s) homes have been featured in magazines, “Victorian Homes” Magazine, “Erie Life,” and the “Erie/Crawford Edge” Magazine. An additional interest finds herself putting quill to paper, as she writes skits and short plays, all of which transport you back in time to the Victorian Era (1837-1901). Kathy, then performs her work in “First person” for genealogy groups, women’s organizations, historical clubs, tea rooms, etc. The topic for this evening’s short play, “Curling” was selected to appease both a male and female audience. Kathy holds a BA in Business Communications from Capital University with an Applied Emphasis in Training and Development. She is also certified to teach Domestic and International Manners and Protocol. Kathy’s other interests include psychology, antiques, philanthropic activities, history, out houses (privies), constant research, past lives, spirits, ghosts, and the world beyond. She and Steve are professionally trained ballroom dancers with many dance exhibitions under their belts. Her constant complaint is that there aren’t enough hours in the day to do all that she’d like to accomplish. She feels that sleep is overrated! Her favorite saying that she would like to share with you, is one from Helen Keller’s quill in 1891—“The most beautiful things in the world are not seen nor touched, they are felt with the heart.”



*S*teve was born and bred in Shaker Heights, Ohio. He is a self-employed Merger & Acquisition Advisory Specialist and financial consultant. His practice consists of advising middle market companies, specializing in their corporate banking, operational improvement and strategic transitional growth and/or exit strategies. Prior to that, Steve was a Manager of Corporate Banking Relationship teams for National City Bank and US Bank for over 30- years.

Steve has been a competitive curler since 1979. He has competed in numerous bonspiels (tournaments) both in the US and Canada. Steve was the Skip of the team that twice won the Great Lakes Regional Curling Association Regional Tournament, representing the states of Ohio, Michigan and Indiana. Those two championship wins also gave his team a spot in

that year’s US Men’s National Curling Tournaments. The first time he competed in the National Championship, his team finished 7th out of 12 teams. The second time that his team competed, his team finished 3rd, earning a bronze medal in the 1992 US Men’s National Curling Tournament. He has also competed in two US Olympic Curling Qualifying Playdown Tournaments, in 1988 and 1992. In 1988, his team won the Regional Playdown for the Great Lakes Region. In 1992, with his 3rd Place win in the National Championship, that gave his team an automatic entry into the US Olympic Curling Qualifying Playdown Tournament. His team competed very well in 1992, ultimately losing in the quarterfinals to the team that represented the US in the 1992 Olympics, in Albertville, France, where curling was a demonstration sport. In the next Olympics, curling became a full medal sport.

☞ Kathy would like to acknowledge and thank her dear friend and actor, Lisa Baumgardner (Elizabeth Beck) for her willingness to partake in tonight’s production. Lisa is a Jane-of-All-Trades with a most generous and giving heart. Kathy would also like to extend heartfelt appreciation to dear friends, Catharina (Katherine Wakefield) and Richard (Narrator & Conductor) Buys, and to her husband, Steve (Stephen Collier) for their joyful acceptance in being a part of the cast. Their creativeness, energy, and dedication far surpassed any expectation imaginable. ☞