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Name: Norman Filbert

A legend in the local theater scene, Norm Filbert founded the Chanticleer Theater in Council Bluffs almost 50 years ago. He has directed and appeared in numerous productions at various theaters around the city. In the Face drawing, Filbert was depicted in his favorite role as Elwood P. Dowd from the play "Harvey." Note that Harvey stands behind him; they are dressed alike. The former advertising executive was teased about his demanding ways as a director and about the legendary cast parties at his Council Bluffs home. The Town Crier figure represents his former advertising agency with that name. He is standing in a "Golden Pond," another of his favorite plays. The script has Filbert's name and the name of his late wife, Louise. Other theaters in which he has appeared are shown: SNAP, Firehouse, Upstairs and Center Stage. He died in 2004. [Back to Top](#)