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## 8 Days a Week:



Broadway in Allentown: Frankie Grande (J. Pierrepont Finch) and Meredith Kate Doyle (Rosemary Pilkington) star in the Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre (MSMT) production of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," through July 29, Baker Theater, Trexler Pavilion for Theatre and Dance, Muhlenberg College, Allentown. MSMT co-founder Charlie Richter directs the musical. Muhlenberg dance program director and founder Karen Dearborn choreographs the production, with music direction by Bryan L. Wade, scenic design by John Raley, costume design by Hunter Kaczorowski, and lighting design by Gertjan Houben. "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," with music by Frank Loesser and book by Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock, and Willie Gilbert, is based on Shepherd Mead's 1952 book of the same title. Tickets: Trexler Pavilion for Theatre and Dance box office, Muhlenberg College, 2400 Chew St., Allentown; [muhlenberg.edu/smt](http://muhlenberg.edu/smt); 484-664-3333

Allentown on Broadway: Tessa Grady (Peggy Sawyer, that best little tapper from Allentown, Pa.) and Blakely Slaybaugh (Billy Lawlor) star in "42nd Street," through Aug. 4, Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope. The production directed by Bucks County Playhouse Artistic Associate Hunter Foster has a 17-member Actors Equity and six Acting Apprentice cast. The original 1980 Broadway stage musical, with a book by Michael Stewart and Mark Bramble, lyrics by Al Dubin and Johnny Mercer, and music by Harry Warren, received the Tony Award for Best Musical. The 2001 Broadway revival received a Tony for Best Revival. The musical is based on a novel by Bradford Ropes and the 1933 Hollywood film. The musical includes songs from other films for which Dubin and Warren wrote songs, including "Gold Diggers of 1933," "Roman Scandals," "Dames," "Gold Diggers of 1935," "Go Into Your Dance," "Gold Diggers of 1937," "The Singing Marine" and the song, "There's a Sunny Side to Every Situation," by Warren and Johnny Mercer, from "Hard to Get." Tickets: Bucks County Playhouse box office, 70 S. Main St., New Hope; [buckscountyplayhouse.org](http://buckscountyplayhouse.org); 215-862-2121