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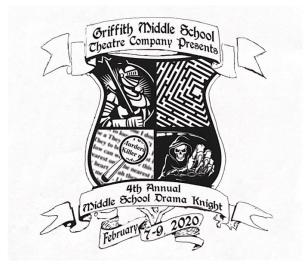
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4th Annual Middle School Drama Night



Producer-Director VICTORIA PLIEGO Assistant Director JENNA PARKER

Technical & Set Director JIM GRAFF Costume Director SHANNON SCHEIDEL

Hair & Makeup Director LAUREN JANUSKA To all our cast and crew:



We are so proud of the work you've done for us this season! It has been our pleasure to watch you perform, create, and expand your talents.

Congratulations on a great show!

Love: Plíego, Parker, Graff, Scheidel, & Januska

Just Another Reason To Love Our Show!

We will be selling concessions and tshirts before, after, and during intermission! Please look for us in the lobby!



50/50 Raffle will be drawn at intermission.

No one was lost in the maze during the making of this production.



Cast Profiles

Max Amezcua, *Colonel Muckle, King Arthur*: Max is an eighth Grader at GMS and he is excited to be in the middle school play this year, as he was last year. Some other things he does is schoolwork. He also likes to exist and finds it better than not existing. He does extra curriculars like Academic Bowl and Drama. And that's the end of his bio.

Isabella Aranda, *Dr. McCandish*, *God*, *Lights & Sound*: Isabella is a sophomore and has been in acting in The GTC since The 1st Annual Middle School Drama Night. When not on stage, she's in student council, sophomore class council, Paranormal Society, color guard, and choir. Outside of school she's the vocalist of an upcoming rock band Clouded Vision. She wants to thank her Mom, Dad, and Derek for being there for her. She wants to wish the cast and crew a great show, and you, the audience to enjoy!

Aseret Baez, *Dr. Carron, Director*: Aseret is a sophomore and she's been involved in The Griffith Theatre Company since she was in seventh grade! She is honored to be one of the directors for this middle school production. Besides being in drama, Aseret is also part of student council, International Club, choir, and color guard. She hopes everyone enjoys the performance and wishes the best of luck to her middle schoolers!

Aleya Burnett, *Violet, Pansy, Cecily*: Aleya is an eighth grader and loves being in the drama department, In 6th grade she did a show called "Kids life". Aleya also swims for GMS and is also interested in track. Swim and drama are her two favorite after school activities.

Braden Certa, *Sir Gawain, Pink, & Inspector Black*: Braden is performing in three of the plays that are being presented tonight. He is playing Sir Gawain, Pink, and Inspector Black. This is Braden's second year of being in Griffith Theatre Company and he is very excited. Other than drama and being awesome, he is in track and cross country. So just sit back and watch Braden be a star.

Cast Profiles Continued

Abby Cotney, Magenta, Mrs. McGarragher, Elaine: Abby is an eighth grader in drama and an honors student. Abby loves being in the drama department and looks forward to it every year. She cannot wait for next year when she can start doing high school theatre productions. Abby was in choir for four shows and also participated last year in the 3rd Annual Middle School Drama night . When you don't find her acting on stage you can find her cheering at competitions, dancing in her basement, or organizing spreads for yearbook. All she has to say is enjoy the show and this is for you mom.

Connor Crafton, *Green, Judge, Director*: Connor Crafton is a sophomore with a mind focused on liberty, freedom, and the pursuit of happiness. This is his directorial debut with *Dystopia!*. He enjoys magnets and milksteak.

Rebeca Cruz, *Brown, Countess de Mer, Jester*: Rebeca is a seventh grader and is very excited about working on the winter play. She has not done any other plays so this will be her first play. She wants everyone to enjoy the show!

Jason Czyz, Bernard, Jeremy, Set & Stage Crew: Jason is a junior in his fifth play. He has worked both set and stage crews and acted in previous plays. Aside from drama, Jason plays drums/percussion in several of Griffith High School's bands - symphonic, jazz, marching and pep. He is a member of the GHS Travel Group; the Business Manager of the Reflector yearbook staff and a member of the National Honor Society.

Ryan Davenport, *Garth, Lights & Sound*: Ryan is returning as "Hype Man" for this production.

Chloe Edwards, *White, Hilda, Diana*: Chloe is in seventh grade and this is her first time in drama. She really loves drama and hopes you enjoy the show!

Gabrielle Fink, *Lavender, Lily, Orange, Director*: Gabrielle is a sophomore and this is the fourth show with the Griffith Drama Department. Tonight, she is excited to be playing several roles in various shows on stage. Gabrielle is also part of the girl's golf team, Paranormal Society, and plays trumpet in symphonic band.

Cast Profiles Continued

Julia Gonzalez, Jessica, Miss Hibdon-Brown, Fashion Sense, Costumes: Julia is a freshman in high school at GHS. This is her third show for the GTC and her second time doing costume crew. Previously she was Mama in the 2nd Middle School drama night's production of *The True Story of Cinderella*. Outside of drama she is involved with Griffith Paranormal Society, Choir, and plays the guitar. She plans on sticking with the Griffith Theatre Company all throughout high school and highly recommends it for anyone considering drama.

Paige James, *Dot, Gamemaster*: Paige is in her first performance and it has been a great time. She enjoys playing with her siblings and talking to her friends using her lines. She is hopefully going to be in the National Junior Honors Society. She plans to be a music producer when she grows up. You might catch her as a catcher for the high school softball team in a few years. She hopes you enjoy all of our shows.

Stephanie Kaezmarzewski, *Merlin, Guard 1*: Stephanie is a seventh grader finds drama to be pretty fun. This is her first year in the drama department. Stephanie will be seen in *Sir Gawain, The Green Knight,* and *Dystopia!* Stephanie has been in volleyball for two years, and also plays for a volleyball club.

Cecilia Mendoza, *Nancy*, *Mauve*: Cecilia is new to the drama department, so this is my first time being in drama and acting as a different character or person. She plays Mauve in *Dystopia* and Nancy in *Nobody to Murder*. She enjoys drama and hopes to do it again next year.

Abby Morrison, *Satan, Director*: Abby is a sophomore at Griffith High school. She started participating in shows around the age of 8 and has loved it ever since. Previously, she's been involved with 15 other shows in highland, Griffith, and Merrillville. Outside of theatre, she enjoys playing accordion (badly) and being with her dog. Hope you enjoy the show!

Alize Nova, *Miss Van Brune, Purple, Game Show 1, Hair & Makeup Crew*: Alize is a ninth-grade student at GHS. This is her first year working in the Griffith Drama Department and she is excited to be a part of it. Besides being in Drama Alize is in FCCLA, track & field, student council, and is the secretary for freshman class council.

Cast Profiles Continued

Sara Oprisko, *Black, Billie Body, Morgan Le Fey*: Sara is an eighth grader and has always had a passion for acting. Sara has participated in the 3rd Annual Drama Night and now currently the 4th Annual Drama Night. When Sara is not participating in drama she likes to do soccer, cross country, track and field, and cheer. Another thing Sara is passionate about is writing. She hopes that one day she can publish a story of her own.

Carter Pala, *Steve, Beat Boxer, Greg, King Bertilak*: Carter is finally a freshman in high school now. He can no longer be the star of every middle school show but has seen so much talent in tonight's performances. Carter is now doing football, choir, and band. Since He hopes you have a wonderful time seeing the show!

Harry Pala, *Minstrel, Announcer, Lights & Sound*: "If you don't know where you're going, any road will take you there."-George Harrison

Madison Pearson, *Mrs. Cuddles, Donnie Destiny, Costumes*: Madison is a senior and has done drama for three years. This is her first time helping with the middle school show with both costumes and acting. She also cheers and likes to help out with volunteering whenever she can. Madison is also the proud mom of 13 mice.

Nathan Pinkelton, *Robert, Origami, Beauregard, Magee, Set & Stage Crew*: Nathan is a freshman at Griffith and is super excited to be working on The 4th Annual Middle School Drama Night. He previously acted in the middle school shows, *The Alamo*. and *Milestones in Comedy*. Nathan hopes everyone that comes to watch will enjoy the show.

Kyle Rassel, *Death/Bill, Director*: Kyle is a junior at Griffith High School. He has often been described as an old man by his peers. This is mostly due to his taste of music, interest in bingo, and love for oatmeal raisin cookies. Besides acting, Kyle loves playing guitar with his friends and singing in the Griffith Choir. He is very excited to have you all here and hopes you enjoy the show!

Cast Profiles Continued

Danny Sheffield, *Dr. McCracken*, *Director*: Danny is a sophomore directing his first ever show. When signing up, he expected to be directing middle schoolers but it turns out his show was bumped to an all high school cast. Danny is incredibly proud of everyone involved and all of his actors. This is Danny's 8th show associated with the GTC, also acting in the upcoming *Shrek the Musical* (April 24-26th). When not on stage, he is serving up some tasty licks on bass guitar, slammin the courts with the tennis team, tootin the sax in band, and listening to Pink Floyd with one of his Co-directors, Abby Wroblewski. He really hopes you enjoy the show because of how much effort that was put into everything, especially from his Co-directors Abby Wroblewski and Bella Andriessen. Enjoy!!

Alexia Spore, Paisley, Ellen Mook, Lancelot: Alexia, who likes to be called Lexi, is in eighth grade. This is her first time in drama and is super excited! She is also very proud of herself for getting the courage to audition. When she's not being a complete weirdo, she's most likely annoying her friends or watching Netflix and Snapchat stories. As you can tell, she has too much time on her hands and no life. But hey, she bets she's watched more Scooby Doo shows than you, so ha, she's definitely winning here. P.S. Hi dad and Heather! Hope you guys made it:)

Ashley Taylor, *Tulip, Orange, Nina, Judge, Director*: Ashley is a freshman at Griffith High School. She has been in the 2nd and 3rd Middle School Shows prior to tonight's performances. She has also performed in *The Music Man, I Remember Mama*, did costumes for *Honk!*. She is super excited to be in the 4th Middle School Show. Not only is she a director for *Dystopia! The Hungry Maze Game*, she will be acting tonight as well. Tonight, she plays Nina, Tulip, and Orange in three of the four shows. Although she loves to act, Ashley is in Choir, Class Council, FCCLA, Cross Country, and Paranormal Society. She wants to thank everyone for another successful Drama night and says to make sure to come out and see *Shrek* this April 24th-26th. Enjoy the shows!

Cast Profiles Continued

Grace Wothke, *Judge, Game Show 2, Director*: Grace Wothke is a junior and this is her ninth show with the GTC. She has previously portrayed roles such as the Stage Manager in *The Audition,* Mandy & Tabitha's Neighbor in *30 Reasons NOT To Be In A Play,* Dwarf in *The Lion The Witch And The Wardrobe,* Queenie & Mother Swan in *Honk!*, and Florence Dana Moorhead in *I Remember Mama.* She has worked in crew for MS Drama Night 2018 (hair & makeup), *The Music Man* (GLS), MS Drama Night 2019 (student director), and MS Drama Night 2020 (student director). Grace is currently working on the Spring musical *Shrek* as a member of the ensemble & vocal production assistant. Outside of drama Grace is president of Best Buddies, captain of the Color Guard team, club editor for the Reflector staff (yearbook), and a member of NHS.

Lily Wroblewski, Green Knight, Conception, Costumes: Lily is a freshman and this is her seventh show. The shows she was in were: 2nd Middle School Drama Night, *The Music Man, The Lion The Witch and The Wardrobe*, 3rd Middle Drama Night, *Honk!*, and *I Remember Mama*. She has been a part of the costume department in the past shows, but now she is on stage as The Green Knight in *Sir Gawain and The Green Knight*, and as Conception in *Don't Fear The Reaper*. Outside of drama she is involved in girl scouts, band, color guard, and cross country. She hopes everyone has a great time with the show!

Vincent Zarndt, *Jack, Grendel, Game Master 2, Director:* Vincent is a BIG G Junior this year and his eighth production while being part of the GTC, but the seventh that he has acted in. Not only is he a director for *Nobody to Murder* he is also acting in the other three shows as well. Vincent loves to share his singing with the Griffith high school choir. He is a hardcore bike rider and he wishes all of the middle school and high school students the best of luck in this production. In the words of the great Ronald Reagan , "There are no great limits to growth because there are no limits of human intelligence, imagination, and wonder."

Director's Notes

To the cast and crew of the 4th Annual Drama Night, and all members of the Griffith Theatre Company,

Wow, our hard work is coming to fruition. All the long hours of practice has paid off! To quote Sean Kingston, "Shawty's like a melody in my head That I can't keep out, Got me singin' like, Na na na na everyday, It's like my iPod stuck on replay, replay-ayay-ay." And we did replay, repeat, and review our parts. I know because of this diligence, the 4th Annual Drama Night will be a smashing success.

I admire you all for the hard work and dedication you gave for this show and all others. We started with four scripts, and ended with four spectacular shows. Student directors, you blew me away with your ability to juggle the demands of being a modern High School student, and forming your own work of art. Because that is what theatre is-- ART. Art is a combination of elements and in this case everyone involved is a part of the final piece. You all came together to create something magnificent... each and every one of you. I could not be more proud of you all or more honored to have had the opportunity to work with you all on this project. GTC is a family, don't forget that. Support each other. Help each other. Keep being the wholesome, kind, and talented people I know you are. Love ya all!

Keep Vibing GTC, Ms. Pliego P.S. Break a Leg!

No Body To Murder

Directed By: Aseret Baez, Jesse Miller, & Vincent Zarndt Written By: Edith Weiss Published By: Pioneer Drama Service

Mrs. McGarragher	Abby Cotney
Magee	Nathan Pinkelton
Nina	
Nancy	Cecilia Mendoza
Dot	
Garth	Ryan Davenport
Dr. McCandlish	Isabella Aranda
Dr. McCracken	Danny Sheffield
Dr. Carron	Connor Crafton
Countess de Mer	Rebecca Cruz
Billie Body	Sara Oprisko
Colonel Muckle	Max Amezcua
Ellen Mook	Alexia Spore
Miss Hibdon-Brown	Julia Gonzalez
Miss Van Brune	Alize Nova
Bernard	Jason Czyz
Cecily	Aleya Burnett
Hilda The Hairdresser	
Greg	Carter Pala
Inspector Black	

Time: Present Day.

Place: The lobby of the Come On Inn, located on an island in Nova Scotia.

We would kindly like to remind you that during all performances the use of flash photography, photography equipment, or recording devices is strictly prohibited. You will also see cast and crew members utilizing the aisle ways during the performance. Thank you.

Sir Gawain & The Green Knight

Directed By: Gabrielle Fink, Abby Morrison, & Kyle Rassel Written By: Craig Sodaro Published By: Pioneer Drama Service

Minstrel	Harry Pala
Winnie/Jester	Rebecca Cruz
Lady Elaine	Abby Cotney
Lady Lilly	Gabirelle Fink
Lady Diana	
Merlin	
Morgan le Fay	Sara Oprisko
Sir Lancelot	
Sir Penrose	Ryan Davenport
Sir Beauregard	
King Arthur	
Queen Guinevere	Chloe Edwards
Grendel	
Sir Gawain	Braden Certa
Green Knight	Lily Wroblewski
Pansy	Aleya Burnett
Tulip	
Violet	Gabrielle Fink
Sir Bertilak	Carter Pala

Time: 865 BCE Place: England Scene One:.....Christmas Eve in the dining hall at Camelot Scene Two:.....A year later at Camelot. Scene Three:.....Shortly after the Forbidden Forest.

15 Minute Intermission

Concessions by National Honors Society will be sold in the lobby.

Don't Fear The Reaper

Directed By: Bella Andriessen, Danny Sheffield, & Abby Wroblewski Written By: Eddie Zipperer Published By: Dramatic Publishing

Death/Bill	Kyle Rassel
Robert	Nathan Pinkelton
Jessica	Julia Gonzalez
Jack	Vincent Zarndt
Steve	Carter Pala
God	Isabella Aranda
Satan	Abby Morrison
Jeremy	Jason Czyz
Conception	Lily Wroblewski
Donnie Destiny	Madison Pearson
Announcer	Harry Pala
Game Show 1	Alize Nova
Game Show 2	Grace Wothke

Time: The Present.

Place: Three suburban living rooms and God's office.

Thank you for joining us this evening. If you would like to support the kind of theatrical programs you've seen tonight or would like to make a donation to the Griffith High School Drama Department, please contact Miss Jenna Parker at (219) 924-4281 EXT 5146.

Dystopia! The Hungry Maze Game

of Divergent Death

Directed By: Connor Crafton, Ashley Taylor, & Grace Wothke Written By: Don Zolidis Published By: Playscripts Inc.

Gamemaster	Paige James
Guard 1	Stephanie Kaczmarzewski
Guard 2	
White	Chloe Edwards
Pink	Braden Certa
Brown	Rebecca Cruz
Green	Connor Crafton
Lavender	Gabrielle Fink
Purple	Alize Nova
Mauve	Cecilia Mendoza
Paisley	Alexia Spore
Black	Sara Oprisko
Magenta	Abby Cotney
Violet	Aleya Burnett
Orange	Ashley Taylor
Fashion Sense	Julia Gonzalez
Origami	Nathan Pinkelton
Beat Boxer	Carter Pala
Mrs. Cuddles	Madison Pearson
Gamemaster 2	Vincent Zarndt
Judges	Connor Crafton
	Ashley Taylor
	Grace Wothke

Time: The Future. Dystopia

Place: The entrance to the mazegrounds.

The Production Staff

Producer/Director	Victoria Pliego
Assistant Director	Jenna Parker
Technical & Set Director	Jim Graff
Costume Director	Shannon Scheidel
Hair & Makeup Director	Lauren Januska

Technical Director (student)	Jen Martinez
Properties Manager	Gabrielle Fink
Stage Managers	Damian Villapando
	Emily Dross
Costume Director (student)	Sarah Thomas
Hair & Director (student)	Esther Rossi
Makeup Director (student)	Hayley Ratliff

Programs & Tickets.....Jenna Parker Victoria Pliego

The Production Staff Continued

Middle School Set & Stage Crew

Bryanna Derrington Aaliyah Edwards Jayden Johnson Anastaca Jones Megan Land Makayla Parrish Mackenzie Parrish

Middle School Costume Crew

Kayla Doctor Abbey Lair

Middle School Hair & Makeup Crew

Rebeca Albarran Sarah Issa Brianna Lopez



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The Production Staff Continued

High School Set & Stage Crew

Jason Czyz Melanie Meyer Nathan Pinkelton Kayla Serna Damiar

Emily Dross Ever Charles Murphy Kelton Aidan Rivera James Sherbit Damian Villalpando

GLS

Isabella Aranda Emma Jacobs Harry Pala Ryan Davenport Jen Martinez Esther Rossi

High School Costume Crew

Elaine Beck Callie Linders Morgan Schoon Peyton Stojakovich Sarah Thomas Lily W

Julia Gonzalez Madison Pearson Kaylee Sheline Kovich Aubrie Svilar Abby Wroblewski Lily Wroblewski

High School Hair & Makeup Crew

Lysandra Bahena Destiny Magana Beverly Orne Amiah Re

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About The Directors

Victoria Pliego, *Director:* Victoria Pliego is ecstatic to be a part of The Griffith Theatre Company. This is her first-year teaching in Griffith Public Schools and when she heard about the opportunity to join the GTC as Middle School Director, she literally cried. Throughout high school Miss Pliego was involved in the Drama program as an actor, crew member, and assistant director. She is passionate about theatre and fine arts and believes they are crucial programs in our schools for a well-rounded education. In her free time, she likes to watch movies and documentaries, read, play nerdy games of all types, spend time with those she loves, and ponder the mysteries of life. Victoria LOVES to travel but doesn't get to as often as she would like. This experience has been surreal, and she is so proud of all those involved and grateful to be a part of the Griffith Theatre family.

Jenna Parker, Assistant Director: Mrs. Parker started her work in the theatre early with her first performance in Tales of Wonder. A graduate of Munster High School, she both acted and worked on several productions such as The Sound of Music, Turn Back the Clock, Play it Again Sam, Cinderella, and A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum. After graduating from Ball State, she directed such shows as Alice in Wonderland Jr, & Honk Jr. She has been teaching here at Griffith for nine years and this is her sixth year as director for The Griffith Theatre Company, directing A Funny Thing Happened on The Way To The Forum, The Addams Family, Footloose, And Then There Were None, Cinderella, 30 Reasons, The Music Man, The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe, Honk!, & I Remember Mama for The GTC. She is very excited for the audience to see the show tonight and truly enjoys working with all her directors and students.

Jim Graff, *Technical/Set Director:* Mr. Graff has been an art teacher at GHS for 26 years. He graduated from Ball State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Visual Arts Education. He currently teaches ceramics, 3D Art, and photography. Mr. Graff has been involved with GHS Drama for 18 years as the set director. For the last seven years he has also taken on the technical director position. Some of Mr. Graff's favorite past productions have been *Pirates of Penzance, Little Shop of Horrors, A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum, & The Music Man.* Fun fact: Mr. Graff is also a graduate of Griffith High School.

About The Directors Continued

Shannon Scheidel, *Costume Director:* This is her ninth year as Costumer and she has loved working on all the shows, *The Crucible, A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum, The Addams Family*, and *Footloose*, and helping out with the student directed shows! She helped with costumes while she was in high school as well. Shannon graduated from Griffith High School in 2003, Purdue University with a Bachelor's in FACS Education in 2007, and Indiana Wesleyan with a Master's in Education with emphasis in Curriculum Development in 2011. This is her 13th year at GHS as Family and Consumer Science teacher. She also is head coach of Cross Country and Track. Thanks for making these experiences so memorable!

Lauren Januska, Hair & Makeup Director: Mrs. Januska has had a love for the performing arts her entire life. She started at age three, with dance classes and performing in dance recitals. She continued to dance and eventually became a member of the Gavit High School Woodmar Singers Show Choir, merging her passions of dance and singing. She ultimately found her love for theatre and was the lead role in *Cinderella* and *Scrooge*, inspiring her to take acting courses at Indiana University. During her four years at IU, she was affiliated with the Marching Hundred as a member of the Redsteppers Dance Team. Mrs. Januska also had the incredible opportunity to perform a lead role in the long lived traditional musical-drama competition, *IU Sing*. This is Mrs. Januska's eight year as a mathematics teacher at GHS. She is beyond excited to be a part of The Griffith Theatre Company. Working with such talent students and creative directors, she cannot wait to see what the years to come have in store. The future looks very bright!

The Production Staff

Bella Andriessen, *Director:* Bella has been a part of the GTC since the start of her seventh-grade year. She has been a part five shows! *The Music Man*, *I Remember Mama*, The second and third annual Middle School Drama Nights, and now she is directing a show in the fourth annual Middle School Drama Night! She is directing the show *Don't Fear The Reaper* along with two other directors, Abby Wroblewski and Danny Sheffield. She wants to say thanks for coming. Now please silence your cell phones and enjoy the shows!

Jesse Miller, *Director*: Jesse is a senior and this is his second year in drama. He played Tumnus in *The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe*, Ugly in *Honk!*, and Papa in *I Remember Mama*. He had a wonderful time directing tonight's production. He hopes everyone has an amazing time watching the show.

Abby Wroblewski, Director, Costumes: This is Abby's ninth show with The Griffith Theatre Company. She was a pit member for *Cinderella* and a costume director for *30 Reasons Not To Be In A Play*, Second Middle School Drama Night, *The Music Man*, *The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe*, Third Middle School Drama Night, *Honk!*, and *I Remember Mama*. This is also her second year being voted costume officer for the Griffith Theatre Company. Not only is Abby involved with costumes for tonight's drama night, she is also a co-director of Don't Fear the Reaper with Danny Sheffield and Bella Andriessen. Besides drama, Abby is a drum major in band, a member of NHS, and a member of Paranormal Society. She enjoys Pink Floyd, her rabbits, and going to thrift stores with Danny. She is incredibly proud of the actors in Reaper, the middle schoolers, and her girls in costumes and wishes everyone involved in tonight's production the best of luck!

Production Bios Continued

Aaliyah Edwards, *Set & Stage Crew:* Aaliyah is an eighth grader and always likes helping in building and other things. Aaliyah joined drama because she likes helping kids and being on stage. When she grows up she wants to be neurosurgeon or a teacher.

Jayden Johnson, *Set & Stage Crew*: Jayden is an eighth grader and likes to dress up and likes helping others. When she gets older, she wants to be a pediatrician. She wants the cast and crew to break a leg, but not a real one!

Megan Land, *Set & Stage Crew:* When Megan is not helping with drama she is also on the bowling team and soccer team and likes to help everyone.

Mackenzie Parrish, Set & Stage Crew: Mackenzie is a seventh grader and thought drama would be fun and turns out she was right! She loves it so much she is planning to come back next year! She wishes everyone the best of luck on their performances this evening.

Makayla Parrish, *Set & Stage Crew*: Makayla Parrish is a seventh grader here at GMS. Makayla has two sisters and four brothers and likes to spend time with them. Makayla is shy and not a talker but when she gets use to a person she likes to talk. She wants to wish the cast and crew best of luck tonight!

Anastaca Jones, *Set & Stage Crew*: Anastaca is an eighth grader and has always liked participating in building and painting, so she joined drama. Anastaca has always dreamed about working with kids on a daily basis so she has decided to go to school to be a pediatric nurse.

Emily Dross, Stage Manager: Emily is now stage manager.

Melanie Meyer, *Set & Stage Crew*: Melanie is a senior and this is her third year in the theatre company. She has acted in many shows and helped in crew also. This is her second time helping with the middle school show. She wishes everyone to "Break A Leg" and hopes all the middle schoolers will thrive in theatre and be a part of the high school shows. She loves theatre and hopes everyone else will see what a great family the company truly is.

Production Bios Continued

Charles Murphy, *Set & Stage Crew:* Charles is a senior participating in drama, all available school bands, tennis, and Paranormal Society. He has been in drama since his freshman year, working set and playing in the pit band for *Cinderella*. Since, Charles has begun acting and has also worked on the middle school shows. He is an overall G.O.A.T! -Billy Goat

Aidan Rivera, *Set & Stage Crew*: Aidan is a Junior at GHS and also participates in soccer for the school. This is his fifth production. Aidan is excited for the show and hopes everyone preforms well.

James Sherbit, Set & Stage Crew: James is a sophomore at Griffith High School and has done five shows so far for The Griffith Theatre Company. James has participated in *Honk!, The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe, I Remember Mama*, and The 2nd and 3rd Annual Middle School Nights. When James is not at drama he is with the Griffith's robotics team, Need More Zip-Ties.

Emma Jacobs, *Lights & Sound*: Emma is a sophomore and this is her second show with the Griffith Theatre Company. She is excited to be working the middle school show with GLS. She thinks Graff and lights are pretty cool. Enjoy the show!

Esther Rossi, *Lights & Sound, Hair Director:* Esther has been part of the GTC for the past four shows and thoroughly enjoys being a part of the Hair and Makeup team. This year Esther is the Hair and Makeup Officer. Aside from drama Esther swam for two years, was a part of panther university, has been a part of the cross-country team for two years, and is the Historian for NHS.

Kayla Doctor, *Costumes:* Kayla is very excited to be in costumes for her second show. Aside from drama she is involved in National Junior Honors Society, soccer, softball, track, and cross country. She is hopeful to be involved in many more shows, and she wishes everyone the best of luck!

Abbey Lair, *Costumes:* Abbey is an eighth grader who wants to achieve her goals. Sadly, sports and school have kept her busy, so she could not act this year. She is, however, doing costumes. Abbey Lair is involved in softball and loves the sport as much as she loves her mother. Abbey likes to hang out with friends and watch her older brother play basketball. Go Panthers! She also loves to read. Like seriously. That's all she does. She reads.

Production Bios Continued

Elaine Beck, *Costumes:* Elaine is a ninth grader who worked on costumes for this performance. She has previously worked with set crew, hair and makeup, and pit band. Elaine enjoys playing the violin, listening to music, being in Girl Scouts, and playing with her dog. She hopes you enjoy the performance and that you remember to brush your teeth twice a day. :)

Callie Linders, *Costumes:* Callie is a freshman at GHS. This is her second show for the GTC, her first being the Third Annual Middle School Drama Night as Babe Ruth in *The Alamo*. Callie is involved in costumes and plans on sticking with the GTC all throughout high school. Outside of drama, Callie is involved in Pantherettes, Booster Club, softball, Griffith Paranormal Society, and band.

Morgan Schoon, *Costumes:* Morgan is a junior, and this will be her first year being active in the theatre department. She takes part in the costume crew as this being her second production. She is very excited to be a part of the department. In her free time, she bowls on the Saturday afternoon leagues at Plaza Lanes and she is also a part of the GHS bowling team. She wants to wish the cast and crew an amazing show!

Kaylee Sheline, *Costumes:* Kaylee is a freshman and has been working with the Griffith Theatre Company since she was in seventh grade. She has worked on the past two middle school drama nights *Honk!*, and *I Remember Mama*. She is very excited for you to see the show, and the costumes her and the costume department have worked on so hard on.

Peyton Stojakovich, *Costumes:* Peyton is a freshman. She does choir and this is her first year in the Griffith Theatre Company. She is very excited for the show!

Aubrie Svilar, *Costumes:* Aubrie is a freshman at GHS. This is her third show doing costumes for the GTC. She previously did costumes for the 3rd Middle School Drama Night, Honk!, and *I Remember Mama*. She is super excited to be working on costumes for tonight's performance. She wishes the cast and crew luck and thanks everyone coming out today. Enjoy the show!

Production Bios Continued

Sarah Thomas, *Costumes:* Sarah has been a part of many performances over the years as a dancer. She danced for six years with Pattie's All American and in the three years she danced with IYB she was cast as a Tender Shepherd in *Peter Pan*, Tin Soldier, Gumdrop and Snow Princess in three productions of the *Nutcracker*. Outside of Drama Sarah has just completed her third year running XC and second year as a Captain of the Girls XC team. She is passionate about travel and languages. She speaks French and Spanish. Sarah loves working with Miss Scheidel and everyone in costumes. She is looking forward to this theatre season!

Brianna Lopez, *Hair & Makeup:* This is Brianna's second year in Hair and Makeup crew. She enjoys doing different hairstyles on people, and it lets her be creative. In her free time, she is part of NJHS, plays soccer, runs cross country, and track. She hopes you enjoy the show and appreciate all the hard work the actors put in!

Hayley Ratliff, *Makeup Director:* Hayley is a senior this year and this is her third year with the GTC. She loves working in hair and makeup department and has been in it for six shows. She's also a varsity cheerleader and a part of booster club.

Abby Frank, Hair & Makeup: Abby Frank is a freshman and this is her second show in the Drama Department. She did hair and makeup for *I Remember Mama*. While not behind the scenes, Abby participates in Student Council, Freshman Class Council, and FCCLA. Abby is very excited to do hair and makeup again and work with all these great people.

Destiny Magana, *Hair & Makeup:* Destiny Magaña in in ninth grade and is working hair and makeup for tonight's performance. She has acted in shows such as *The Big Bad Musical, The Wizard of Oz, The True Story of Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty, I Remember Mama,* and more. When she is not acting she enjoys singing, dancing, and she also plays volleyball. She hopes you enjoy watching the show, the whole group has been working very hard on it.

Amiah Reinbold, *Hair & Makeup*: This is Amiah and she's a sophomore enjoying her second show in drama. She's excited for the finished product of all the students hard work. Aside from working with the Griffith Theatre Company, she also enjoys; singing, baking, and spending time with friends.

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