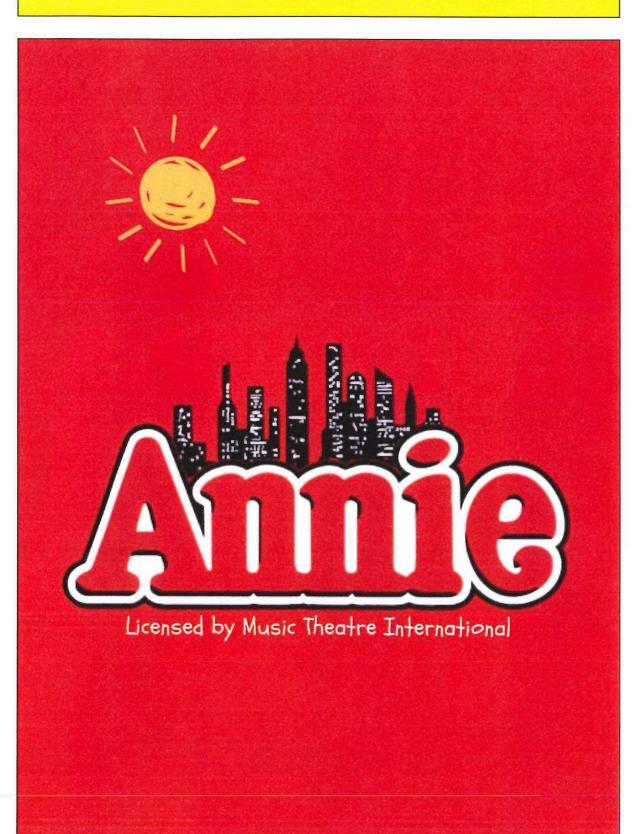
# PLAYBILL®

Wawasee High School Performing Arts in Syracuse, IN presents



# **ANNIE**

Book by THOMAS MEEHAN Music by CHARLES STROUSE

Lyrics by MARTIN CHARNIN

### **Wawasee's Production Staff**

Kristin Bonner Director Sarah LeCount\*
Asst. Director

Adam Moyer Music Director

Chris Dykhuisen Technical Director Weston Plikerd\* Technical Manager Kyle Maxwell Projection Design & Spotlight

Callie Brown Stage Manager Prescott Wagoner\* Lights David Knorr Sound

Julia Stover\* Properties Manager Mya Dyson Projector Noah Smeltzer Sound Effects

Ava Weldy\* Choreographer

Set Design and Construction Dan Wray Jim Cox

\*Denotes Member of the International Thespian Society

Produced with arrangements by Music Theatre International.

## SONGS

### ACT I

Maybe	Annie
Hard Knock Life	Annie, The Orphans
Tomorrow	Annie
Hooverville	Company
Little Girls	Miss Hannigan
I Think I'm Gonna Like It Here	Annie, Grace, Servants
N.Y.C	Warbucks, Grace, Annie, Company
Easy Street	
Why Should I Change A Thing	Warbucks
You Won't Be An Orphan For Long	Grace, Warbucks, Annie, Servants
ACTII	
ACT II	
Fully Dressed	
Fully Dressed (Children)	Orphans
Fully Dressed (Children)  Easy Street Reprise	Orphans Rooster, Lily, Miss Hannigan
Fully Dressed (Children)	Orphans Rooster, Lily, Miss Hannigan
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#### **Cast Members**

Annie	Gwendolyn Frank*
Oliver Warbucks	Jaxon Brown
Grace Farrell	Karissa Boesenberg*
Miss Hannigan	Frankie Levinson
Rooster	Abraham Sanchez-Hernandez*
Lily St.Regis	Ava Weldy*
Molly	Marin Wagoner
Pepper	Charlotte Kompagne*
Duffy	Raelyn Yoder
Kate	Grace Douglas*
Tessie	Chloe Smeltzer
July	Katelyn Plikerd
Drake	Issac Miller*
Ensemble	Elizabeth Anderson Callie Brown Abigail Gross Aryanna Hershberger Jaiden Jones Ali Salvo-McDaniel Alicea Miller Audrey Miller* Issac Miller* Zach Miller* Sophia Smith* Hayden Stanley Julia Stover* Theo Wiggs
Featured Dancers	Elizabeth Anderson Alicea Miller Hayden Stanley Ava Weldy*
Special Guest Stars	Jeremy VanLue Jim Cox Chris Dykhuisen Sarah LeCount* Rogge Merriman Kyle Garner Chad Hoffert Dan Wray

#### CAST/CREW

#### Cast Members (continued)

Sandy/Pound Dogs Taylor Koble
Fred Merriman
Bear Stover

Additional Cast

Voice Overs Kenneth Long
John Snyder
Geoff Walmer

Orchestra

Conductor/Piano Adam Moyer

Bass Matt Pysh

Drums Gary Devore

Reed I Deanna Emmons

Reed II Ben Essick

Keyboard II ...... Judie Meulink





#### Karissa Boesenberg\*

as Grace Farrell

Karissa has been a part of 10 shows since freshman year with her favorites being Tuck Everlasting and Guys and Dolls. She plans to attend college in the fall to major in Neuroscience and Biology. She loved getting to know some of the greats of Wawasee theater and forming lifelong friendships with the crew. Her advice to underclassmen is to appreciate every second of it because it'll be over sooner than you'd like. "I could live like this forever" -Tuck Everlasting



#### **Jaxon Brown**

Jaxon has been a part of two shows, Percy Jackson and Annie. He was the soundboard tech in Percy and now transitioned to the stage as Warbucks in Annie. He has always enjoyed coming to the shows and was glad to have had this opportunity. His favorite memory is screaming songs in the tech booth with Mya and Weston. Jaxon's future plans are to attend college to study either Music Education or history. His advice to underclassmen is to try new things because you never know the friends you'll meet or the experiences you'll have. Don't be afraid to be the oddball because it may be fun.



#### **Gwendolyn Frank\***

as Annie

Gwen is excited to be in her tenth show at Wawasee High School! She's ecstatic to have the opportunity to play Annie this year! Since her freshman year she's been in almost every role imaginable; Ensemble in Guys & Dolls, Tuck Everlasting, The Play That Goes Wrong, and Percy Jackson, Flounder in The Little Mermaid, Crew in 3 shows, Student Director in Murder on The Orient Express, and Holly in Love, Loss, and What I Wore. She has made lifelong friends, cried, laughed, and blossomed on Wawasee's stage. She's been in theatre as a whole for almost 10 years now and has plans to minor in Theatre Arts in college. Additionally, she hopes to go to IWU or Grace to pursue her dreams in Spanish Education. Gwen would like to thank her family and friends for their support. "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters." Colossians 3:23

#### **SENIORS**



#### **David Knorr**

David is an exchange student from Germany attending Wawasee for the 2024-25 school year. He joined the tech crew because he also was a part of the crew for shows at his school in Germany. David shared that the tech crew was very interesting to him and an important part of any production.



#### **Issac Miller**

Issac has been in 4 shows at Wawasee High School, Tuck Everlasting, Play That Goes Wrong, Percy Jackson and The Lightning Thief, and Annie. Issac's favorite memory from Wawasee theatre was when he took a dive for his book that had fallen off stage on a show night during Tuck. Although he plans on pursuing a music education degree, Issac is so glad he stepped out of his shell to join the theatre department. He wishes that others do the same because it's an amazing experience.



#### **Zach Miller**

Zach has been in three shows at Wawasee High School: Tuck Everlasting, last year's musical Percy Jackson & The Lightning Thief, and this year's Annie. Zach's favorite memory was his first time performing on stage. Zach's inspiring words are "Every role matters, even if you're just a background character."



#### **Abraham Sanchez-Hernandez\***

as Rooster

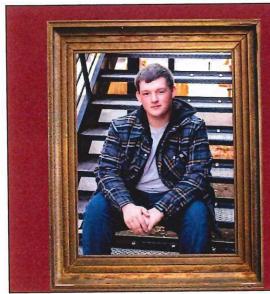
Abraham has been in Guys and Dolls, The Little Mermaid, Murder On The Orient Express, and Tuck Everlasting. His favorite memory is from Murder On The Orient Express after the first show weekend at rehearsal, when everyone couldn't stop laughing all of rehearsal. His advice for underclassmen is "Always allow yourself to enjoy the little moments in life".



#### **Noah Smeltzer**

Noah is participating as part of the tech crew for the first time this fall for Annie. His favorite theater memory was when Prescott went "Super Saiyan" lifting a Christmas tree. Noah's words of advice to younger students are "to thine own self be true. Don't let yourself get hung up on the past when your time is not over yet."





Good luck with your first role! We are so proud of you for stepping outside of your comfort zone. We can't wait to see what God has in store for you in the future.

-Love Dad, Mom & Callie



# Congratulations Frankie!





We are so very proud of you! Lots of love, Mom, Dad, Henry & A.J

Good Luck to all the Performers!!

# WARSAW

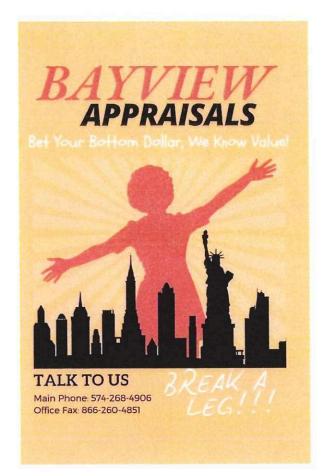
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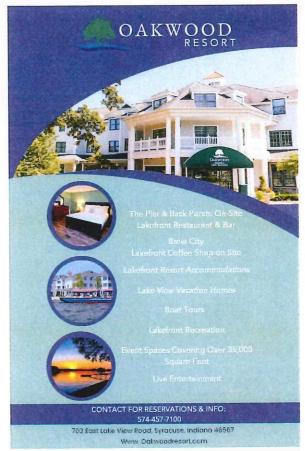
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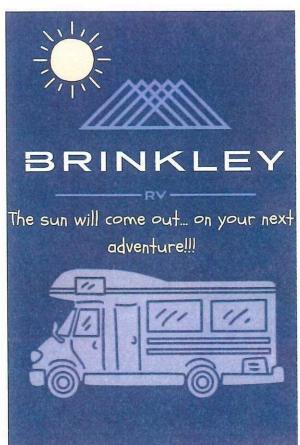
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- Proverbs 31:30



From a little girl....

## Gwen

We have enjoyed watching you follow God and chase after your dreams. We are so proud of the woman of God you are becoming!

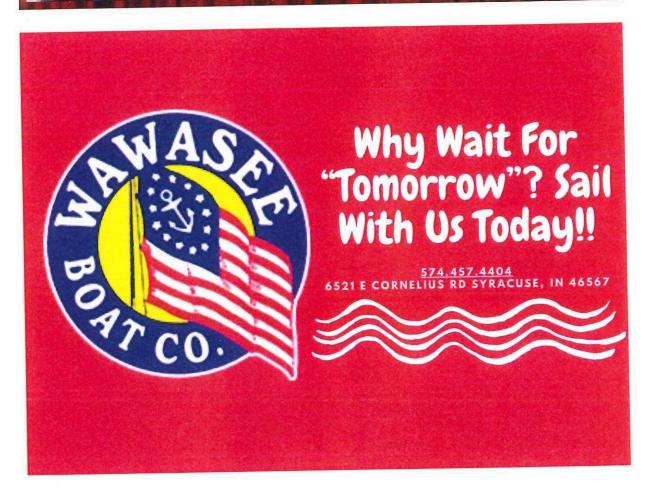
Love you! Mom, Dad, and Lilly

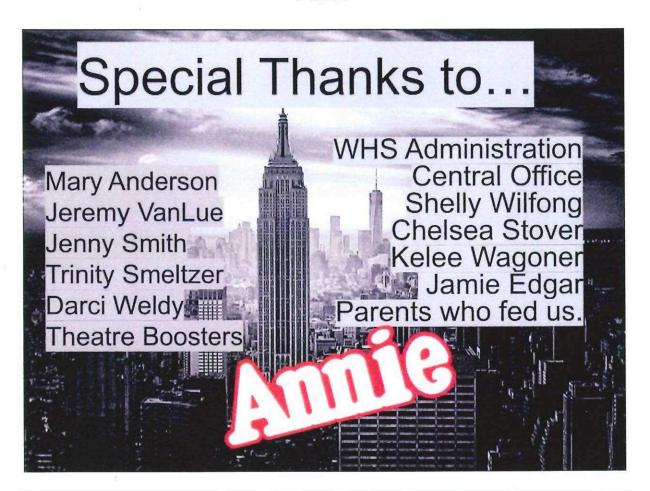
...to a young woman



Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she smiles at the future.

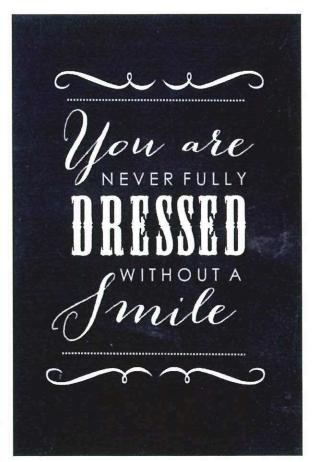
Proverbs 31:25





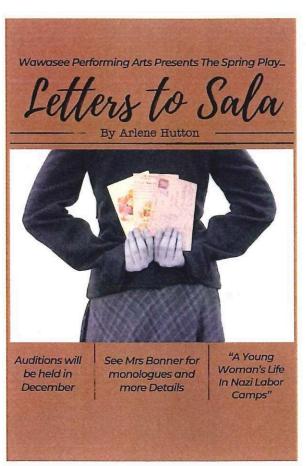
# Please Note:

- There will be one fifteen-minute intermission.
- Be sure to visit our concession stand at intermission!
  - We now accept Venmo!
- Purchase some wooden roses for your favorite cast member.









#### A HOLL I NOW THE PINEVION

Annie is a childhood favorite of kids of the 80's and 90's. We grew up singing all of the songs and performing in our bedrooms and basements. It was our first exposure to musicals and was something that not only inspired our dream to be adopted by someone like Daddy Warbucks, but gave us a hope that even in the darkest of days we could count on the sun coming out tomorrow. I fully expect to hear around me many of you singing along with the orphans. The first time I heard some of the cast sing these songs I had to fight bursting into tears because I was immediately transformed into a young girl again. I hope you will enjoy every moment of this show.

Last year we had a lot of theatre veterans graduate. Kids I've known for years due to my daughter being one of them, exited stage left. You could say that this was a building year, many in this cast are freshman or sophomores, but that doesn't make this show any less spectacular. These kids worked hard and it shows. I'm so proud of them. They are the essence of Annie. Hopeful, kind, friendly, spunky, and ready to overcome any challenge. Their future is bright.

I would like to give a shout-out to my amazing group of theatre-loving friends who worked hard to make this show come together. Theatre is always a collaboration. From building the set and props, putting the orchestra together, gathering costumes, or lighting the stage I could not have done any of this without them. They know who they are. If I had Daddy Warbucks' money I would hire all of you to do what you're good at full-time, and we would have so much fun doing it together.

Speaking of collaboration, drive around to the back of the school and look at the beginnings of our new performing arts center. It's going to be a place of dreams. Dreams of past Wawasee thespians coming true and future Wawasee thespians creating art and music to inspire our community. I hope you will come back to join us!

We live in uncertain times. Knowing that the sun will come out tomorrow should give us hope for a future that is to come. I'm thankful for that. And thankful for your attendance tonight. I hope you enjoy the show. Afterward, join the cast to congratulate them, they will love hearing what you have to say!

Remember, You're Never Fully Dressed Without a Smile.

Kristin Bonner

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