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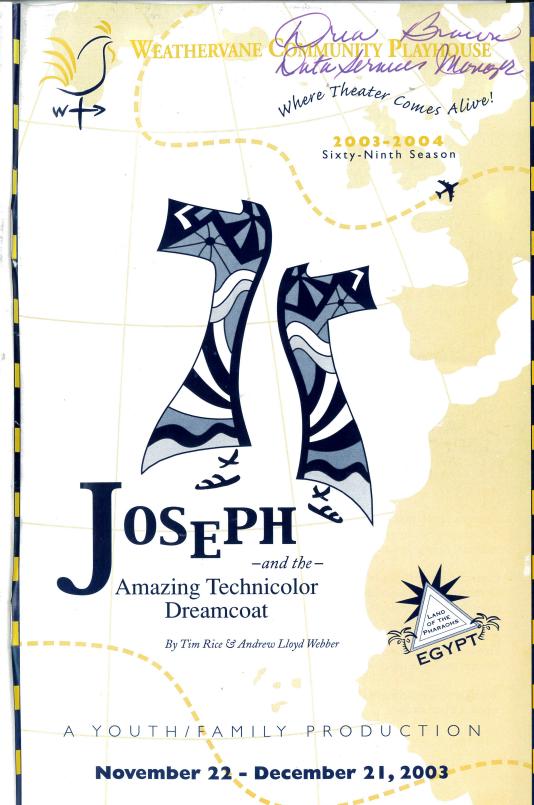
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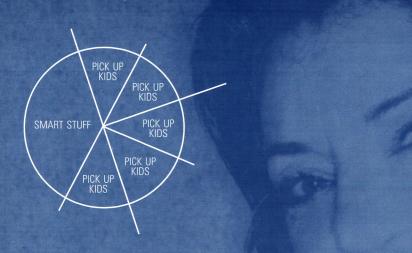
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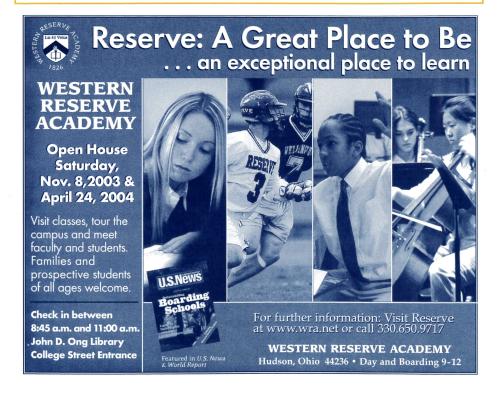
ters but especially the energy and devotion of four ladies, Grace Hower Crawford, Laurine Schwan, Helen Troesch and Muriel MacLachlan, who believed that Akron deserved the best in theater and that volunteers could make it happen. A lobby plaque lists the names of other founders who shared their commitment. The rooftop weathervane gave the theater its name and logotype character, the Chanticleer.

In 1951, the organization renovated a building on Copley Road and, from 1960 - 1992, Bob Belfance served as director. Along with custodian/ticket office manag-

er, Nora Scott, the two-person staff relied on volunteer support. Paid guest directors and children's theater instructors served in part-time positions. Ticket receipts and donations helped meet expenses and created a modest endowment. A fund-raising drive resulted in construction of the present 263-seat facility which opened in 1970. Thanks to Grace Crawford's legacy, the mortgage has been paid off.

Construction made possible by the most recent Capital Campaign added class-rooms, rehearsal space, scene shop, additional prop storage, elevator, library, fly gallery and fly system, a sound-proof production booth and a costume workshop.

Weathervane celebrated its 500th Mainstage production, *The Laramie Project*, during the 2002-2003 season. Thanks for being a part of our history.





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Weathervane offers professionally taught classes in acting, stagecraft, musical theatre and improvisation for children up to age 18. Fall and spring classes are held on Saturdays and two-week Hands on Theater (H.O.T.) workshops are planned throughout the summer. The cost is minimal with a limited number of scholarships available and discounted fees for Weathervane members.

Children may also audition for roles in many productions. Casting is not dependent upon class enrollment. Participation is an extension of valuable training in every facet of production from the audition process to technical and performance experience. Family members may also have learning opportunities by participating in such productions.

Weathervane works with area schools by providing outreach information and study guides as part of our **Project STAGE** program, which brings public and private school students to see as many as five productions each season. This season, **Proof, The Crucible** and **A Lesson** 

**Before Dying** will be featured in the **Project STAGE** events. Tickets are only \$8.

For information about classes or audition schedules for Youth Productions, please call our Education Coordinator at 330-836-2323.

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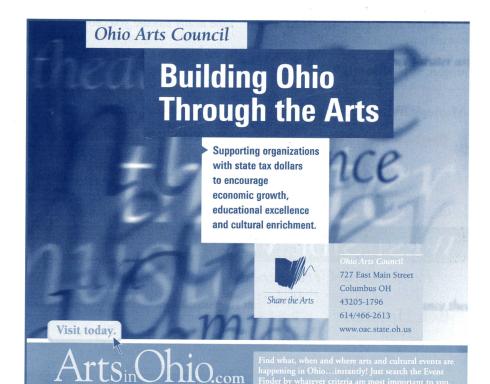


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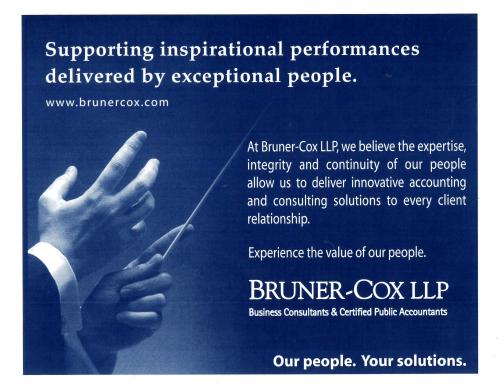
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#### Our Directing Team

#### Sarah Bailey - Director

Sarah is making her directing debut at Weathervane with Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. You may have seen her teaching musical theatre classes or perhaps at the Chanticleer Awards, as a Not-Ready-for-Main-Stage Player. Sarah received her Bachelor of Music degree from Ohio Northern University and her Masters of Music and Pedagogy from the prestigious Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey. Sarah has sung onstage at Carnegie Hall with the New York Philharmonic, and was a grand finalist at the Guandong International Vocal Competition in China. She has graced the stage with such diverse performances as Amnesia in Nunsense to her operatic turns as Adele in Die Fledermaus, Juliette in Romeo and Juliette, Cherubino in Le Nozze de Figaro, and she also performed in The Mikado and at the famed Edinburgh Fringe Festival. Her biggest role, however, is as a mother to her beautiful baby Isabelle and wife to her handsome husband Kyle.

#### J.T. Buck - Musical Director

J.T. Buck has directed plays and musicals ranging from The Laramie Project to State Fair. He made his Weathervane debut nearly a decade ago in the Youth production of Puckish Pranks. Buck is two semesters away from completing a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theatre from The University of Akron. He has served as musical director for fourteen productions and currently serves as the choir director for the Covenant Community United Church of Christ.

#### Tracy Schuler - Choreographer

Tracy Schuler completes the professional staff of Joseph. She is a choreographer with national credits including work on Godspell; Pippin; Big River; Grease; Finian's Rainbow and You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown! A graduate of Youngstown State University, Schuler is certified to teach ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical, latin, hip-hop, and aerobic dance. She has certification in Stage Combat, with her areas of expertise being Rapier and dagger, broadsword and unarmed combat.



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#### Act I

Overture Prologue/Any Dream Will Do Jacob & Sons/Joseph's Coat Joseph's Dreams Poor Poor Joseph One More Angel in Heavens Potiphar Close Every Door Go Go Go Joseph

#### Act II

Entr'acte Pharaoh Story Poor Poor Pharaoh/Song of The King Pharaoh's Dreams Explained Stone the Crows Those Canaan Days The Brothers Came to Egypt Who's the Thief Benjamin Calypso Joseph All the Time Jacob in Egypt Any Dream Will Do Reprise One: One More Angel/Calypso Reprise Two: Grovel Grovel/Go Go Go Joseph

Musicians J.T. Buck, Piano/Conductor Joel Milani, Guitar Adrian Susanin, Violin Doug Everton, Drums/Percussion/Banjo Isaac Bowers, Bass

**SHAWN KINSER** (Joseph) is making his Weathervane debut. Kinser is a graduate of the Hugh Glauser School of Music at Kent State University. He appeared in several productions at the university and has extensive backstage experience as well. An Akron resident, Kinser works as a supervisor at Bed, Bath and Beyond.

MARISSA MONTIGNEY (Narrator) is appearing in her thirteenth Weathervane production including the last six holiday productions -- Cinderella, Babes in Toyland and the past three years of Joseph. A freshman at The University of Akron, Ms. Montigney won the 2002-2003 Chanticleer Award, Best Supporting Actress in a Musical, for her role of Hodel in Fiddler on the Roof.

**AARON J. VEAL** (Jacob) is a graduate of Wright State University with a degree in Communications. Veal is an Akron resident and a fledgling filmmaker. Mr. Veal is making his Weathervane debut in *Joseph*.

ANDY SCHUENEMAN (Pharaoh/Potiphar/Judah) has grown up on the Weathervane stage, and is part of the talented Schueneman clan. He is a senior at Stow-Munroe Falls High School, where he is active in the band. Schueneman has been seen previously in Joseph, The Jungle Book and Stuart Little and served as the stage manager for Our Town at Weathervane.

KYLE HERMAN (Ruben) is a freshman at Stow-Munroe Falls High School. Herman is a seasoned performer who has previously appeared at Weathervane in Joseph and as Wilbur in the 2001-2002 production of Charlotte's Web.

**BRITTANY** UNRUH (Simeon/Ishmaelite) is another newcomer to Weathervane. An eighth grader at

Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy, Unruh is an active performer seen locally onstage at The Magical Theatre Company. Unruh lives in Akron with her family.

**CORY SCHAFER** (Isaacher) is returning to Weathervane's Joseph. He has also been seen in our productions of Anne of Green Gables, Romeo and Juliet and Babes in Toyland. He is a senior at Stow Munroe Falls High School and is a student in the Pre-Engineering Academy.

LEE WILSON (Levi) was last seen here at Weathervane in the 2003 Summer Stock production of The Laramie Project. A sophomore at Highland High School in Medina, Wilson is a talented soccer player and hopes to find a career in the arts.

**DREW REILLY** (Dan) is an eighth grader at Mogadore Junior High School. He enjoys reading, football and music and has been seen onstage at numerous area theatres including ANTIC and Carousel Dinner Theatre. He performed in Anne of Green Gables and Joseph at Weathervane.

ADAM J. FEHRENBACH (Napthali) is performing at Weathervane for the first time. A student at The University of Akron, Fehrenbach is an accomplished pianist.

SANTINO JAMES RUSSO (Benjamin) is a sophomore at Highland High School. He has been seen on the Weathervane stage in Our Town, Stuart Little and all three productions of Joseph. Russo recently appeared as Mike in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory at Brecksville Theatre on the Square, and is very active in the theatre program at his high school.

DERRICK TURNER (Gad) is a sophomore at Copley High School, Turner has appeared in school productions of The Music Man and Father of the Bride and



enjoys sports and percussion. This is his member of the ETC All-American Show second time around in Weathervane's Choir, Farmer is a sophomore at Joseph.

RYAN KEPES (Asher) is pleased to return to the cast of Joseph at Weathervane. His other credits include Arsenic and Old Lace, Guys and Dolls, Oklahoma! and A Christmas Carol at Copley High School. Kepes is a junior and hopes to join the Air Force upon graduation.

MATT TALLEY (Zebulun) is a junior at Copley High School, where he appeared as Slovich in Neil Simon's Fools. Talley, making his Weathervane debut, enjoys playing the guitar and basketball.

KATIE FARRAGHER (Potiphar/Napthali's Wife) is a sophomore at Highland High School where she is active in many sports and the performing arts. Farragher has been seen in Weathervane productions of Our Town and the past three seasons in Joseph.

ELISE MARIE CORDLE (Reuben's Wife) is a student at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. She has performed as Golde in Fiddler on the Roof and Marian in *The Music Man*. Cordle is making her first appearance on the Weathervane stage.

CAITLIN BOLDEN (Simeon's Wife) is performing at Weathervane for the first time, having been seen onstage many times at Miller South School for the Performing and Visual Arts and the Ingenue Theatre Ensemble. Bolden is a freshman at Firestone High School and enjoys reading, creative writing and performing.

AMY FARMER (Isaacher's Wife) is a member of the Jr. National Honor Society and is a varsity soccer player. A

Firestone High School where she was most recently seen as Nellie in Annie Get your Gun.

CARLA PIZZINO (Dan's Wife) is returning to *Joseph* after being part of the Youth Chorus in 2001. Pizzino is a freshman at Walsh Jesuit High School and her interests include acting, singing and playing the flute.

BRITTENY SMITH (Levi's Wife) is a freshman at Ellet High School, where she has been onstage in The Wizard of Oz, The Gift and Joseph. Making her Weathervane debut, Smith is also an accomplished poet, with several pieces in publication.

AMANDA BOUFFARD (Benjamin's Wife) is an honors student at Copley-Fairlawn Middle School and plans on attending Columbia Law School. She further hopes to earn a second degree in Musical Theatre. Bouffard has done local television commercial work and was last seen onstage at Weathervane in Fiddler on the Roof and this summer's Youth production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

ALIX SANDRA REILLY (Gad's Wife) is a sophomore at Mogadore High School. She has been seen in local theaters in The Wizard of Oz, Oliver Twist, The King and I, Annie and, of course, the last two years' productions of Joseph. Reilly is a master of the pogo stick and loves to travel.

DANIELLE NICOLE SCHPRECH-MAN (Judah's Wife) is a sophomore at Firestone High School, where she participates in the Women's Chorus and is active in the theatre program. She has

performed in school productions of *Peter* Pan and The Wizard of Oz and appeared in Fiddler on the Roof at Weathervane. She is involved with the Debate team and is an accomplished dancer, competing in many competitions all over Ohio.

JESSI HALE (Asher's Wife) is an International Baccalaureate and Drama program student at Firestone High School. Making her Weathervane debut, Hale has also performed in Grease, Little Shop of Horrors and The Tempest at Western Reserve Playhouse. Ms. Hale hopes to pursue a career as a writer.

LEAH MARISSA SASS (Zebulun's Wife) has been active back stage for the better part of thirteen years Weathervane. She is a winner of a Chanticleer, along with her mom, for the costuming of Fiddler on the Roof and, most recently, designed costumes for the Youth production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. A junior at Revere High School, Sass is active in Symphonic

Choir and the Revere Players.

FRIEDERIKE NAGEL (Ishmaelite) is an exchange student from Minden, Germany and is attending Firestone High School. A junior, Nagel is an accomplished Irish Step dancer and has acted in The Taming of the Shrew and The Marriage of Figaro in Germany. Nagel is living with the Bolden family here in Akron during her stay.

EMILY CAITLYN SCHPRECHMAN (Ishmaelite) is a competitive dancer in the areas of tap and jazz. A fifth grader at Bath Elementary, Schprechman is making her debut on the Weathervane stage, having performed recently as Belle in Beauty and the Beast at her school.

HELENA OLEE (Ishmaelite) is a fifth grader at Sharon Elementary in Wadsworth. Another first time Weathervaner, Olee is a volunteer at Hearts and Paws Animal Rescue in Medina and enjoys taking voice lessons.



#### Backstage Callboard

DANIELLE RUSEN (Stage Manager) is bowling alley. Brenner is a seasoned thepleased to be working on her fourteenth atre person having performed or worked show at Weathervane. She is a 10th grader at Copley High School and has experience working with lights and props for Mainstage and Youth productions at Weathervane. Her time spent Weathervane and other organizations has allowed her to be named one of the top five volunteers in her age group in Northeast Ohio.

LAURA BRENNER (Assistant Stage Manager) is a senior at Cuyahoga Falls High School and works at North Lanes

on crew for productions at school, Weathervane, Stow Players, Hudson Players, and ANTIC.

NANCY ZEIGLER (Properties Design) is pleased to be involved yet again in this, her fourth production of *Joseph*. She looks forward to her daughter's involvement in the show upon her return from Ohio University. She encourages all other Youth Theatre parents to become involved in production aspects of the shows at Weathervane Playhouse.

Alan Scott Ferrall -- Technical Director

Kathy Kohl -- Assistant Technical Director



CHRISTINE SCHUENEMAN (Costume Designer) is happy that the volunteer hours she spends at Weathervane also give her time to enjoy her husband, Max, and three children, and to continue learning the "ins and outs" of theater. She is a graduate of Kent State University and has been working in Weathervane's costume shop since 1996 on shows including Stuart Little, The Wiz and The Jungle Book. She's also worked with the Lakeview Musical Theater on productions of Annie and Fiddler on the Roof. She recently won Chanticleer Awards for costumes for A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum and The Wiz.

**LORI REILLY** (Costume Coordinator) is a mom who loves to keep busy. Mrs. Reilly has worked to coordinate the parent volunteers and has also found time to enjoy the performances of her children, Alix and Drew, in *Joseph* the past three years.

CHARLES KORECKI (Sound Designer) designed lighting for Weathervane's The King of the Kosher Grocers, As Bees in Honey Drown, and The Wiz, as well as last season's production of Joseph. Korecki designed sound for this season's spectacular production of My Way. A ager for Cuyahoga Falls High School. Ferrall has won three Chanticleer awards, as stage manager for Fences, as lighting designer for The Laramie Project and collighting designer for A Man for All Seasons.

graduate of Albion College, he is the auditorium manager at Cuyahoga Falls High School.

KATHRYN A. KOHL (Assistant Technical Director) holds a degree in Elementary Education from Bowling Green State University and a Masters of Business Management from Aurora College in Aurora, IL. Kohl began her theatre career as a volunteer on many lighting and set construction crews. She served as Properties Designer for Dracula and won a Chanticleer for her work on The Philadelphia Story. She lives in West Akron with husband Doug and their three children, Stephanie, Zachary and Katie.

ALAN SCOTT FERRALL (Scenic and Lighting Design) began at Weathervane Community Playhouse under the guidance of former Technical Director, John R. Thomas. Before joining Weathervane's staff, he was the auditorium manager for Cuyahoga Falls High School. Ferrall has won three Chanticleer awards, as stage manager for *Fences*, as lighting designer for *The Laramie Project* and colighting designer for *A Man for All Seasons*.

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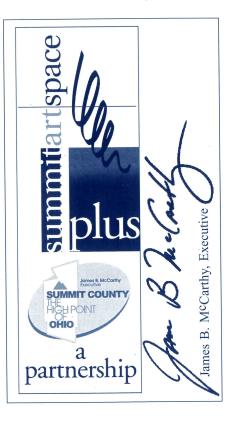




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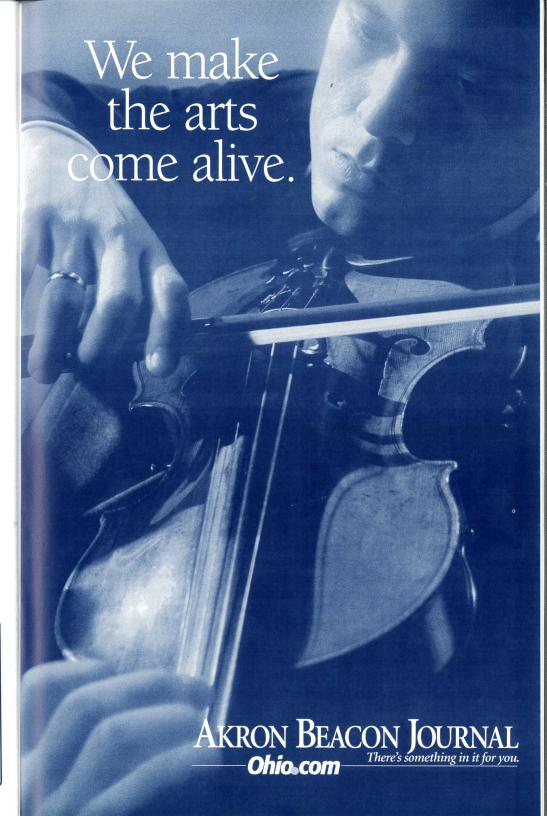


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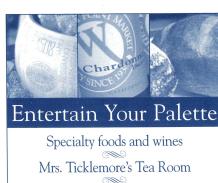
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Their spirit is the backbone of our continuing operations, a valued support on which our professional staff relies.

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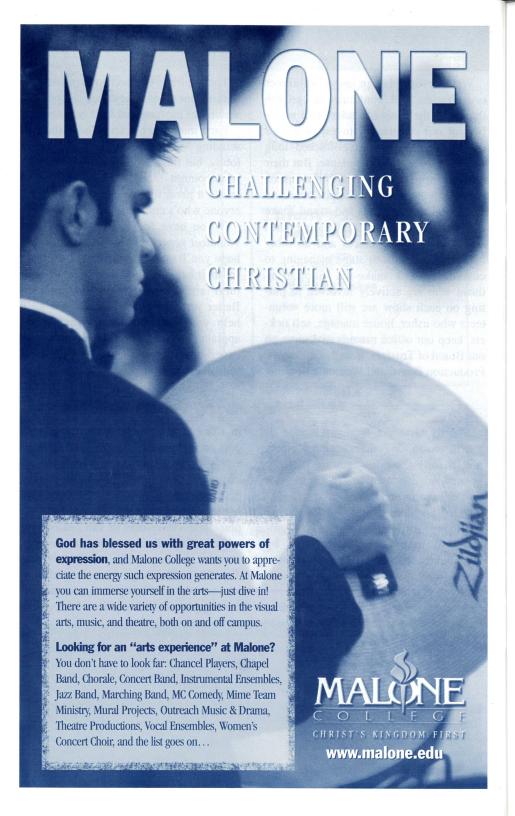
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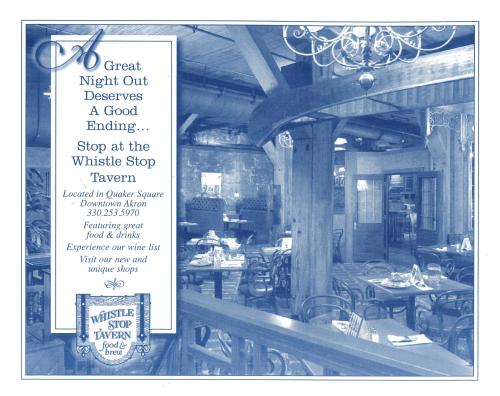
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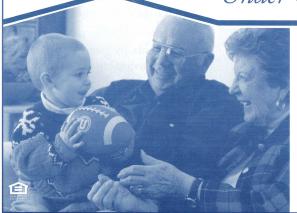
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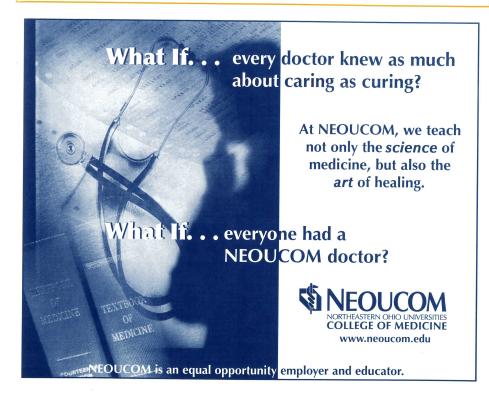
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