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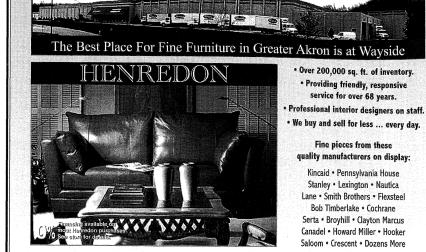
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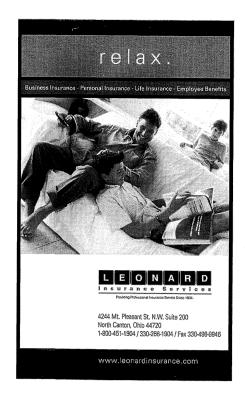
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Four society women urged Weathervane Playhouse into existence in 1935 - Grace Hower Crawford, Laurine Schwan, Helen

Troesch and Muriel Maclachlan. They started with amateur theatricals at Coach House Theater, then as now part of Akron Woman's City Club. Back then Coach House was a club theater with closed membership and profits going back to the club. This left nothing for theatrical expansion or experimentation, so the ladies set up shop in a barn owned by U.S. Senator Charles Dick on Marshall Avenue. They had no money so they planned a carnival. After expenses, they cleared \$65 and declared themselves good to go.

Friends assisted in cleaning the barn that had been a garage for the Senator's cars. They scrounged for seats, curtains and a coffee pot. Seven fully costumed and staged plays were presented during the first three weeks of the summer of 1935. The audience applauded while bringing cushions from home to sit on -the benches were hard. There was no running water or heat in the barn, but the operation had a name -- Weathervane, named for the chanticleer on the cupola of the barn. The ladies agreed that they would produce everything -- comedy, tragedy, Shakespeare, new works -- even opera. They also decreed that anyone who fit a part could be on their stage.

"The barn" was home until 1951 when it was sold, leaving the troupe homeless. The Board renovated a cement block building on Copley Road. This served until the late 1960's when the troupe moved to the Valley. In the early years,

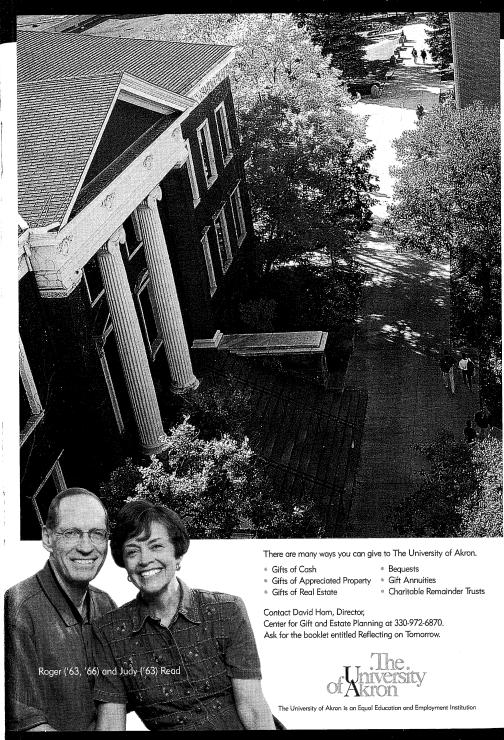
directors came from the membership and were charged with casting, costumes, settings and publicity. By 1960, there were so many shows that Bob Belfance was hired as theater director. Along with custodian/ticket manager Nora Scott, the two-person staff relied on volunteer support.

A Women's Board was formed in 1938 to offer volunteer and financial assistance. The Youth Theater Workshop grew out of classes offered by the original founders. Muriel Maclachlan was particularly energetic in teaching children, bringing in experts in dance and voice to assist her in teaching the youngsters. Muriel's classes grew until they became today's Education Department. Project STAGE©, a program with reduced-price, school day matinees for students, was added in the early 1990s.

A fund-raising drive in the late 1960s built the present facility on Weathervane Lane. The Playhouse opened in 1970 with Maggie Moore's production of Dark of the Moon. Grace Crawford, who died in 1971, left a legacy to pay off the mortgage. Construction made possible by the most recent Capital Campaign added classrooms, rehearsal space, scene shop, additional prop storage, elevator, library, fly gallery, stage mechanics, a soundproof production booth and a costume shop, and also upgraded the roof and HVAC system.

Weathervane celebrated its 500th Mainstage production with the awardwinning The Laramie Project in February, 2003. The John L. Dietz Classroom Theater for students and black box productions had its inaugural production as part of our 70th Season, opening with Angels in America: Millennium Approaches in January 2005.

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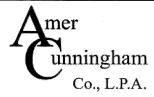
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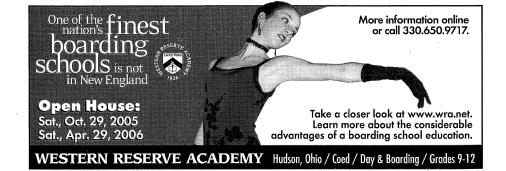


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ELYNMARIE KAZLE (Executive Director) is in her ninth Weathervane season. Her 25+ year theatre career began in stage management then moved into producing, fundraising and public relations. She's had the pleasure of working with a wide range of artists from Baryshnikov to Tommy Tune to Viggo Mortenson, in theaters such as The Mark Taper Forum, San Diego's Old Globe, Sacramento Theater Company, Opera Columbus, Great Lakes Shakespeare Festival and Brooklyn Academy of Music. Akron played an important part of her career early on when she apprenticed with Tom Skelton at Ohio Ballet. In addition, past experience includes a stint with the Wall Street Journal, working at Brandt & Brandt, Robert Freedman Dramatic Agency serving as cultural ambassador to Sweden. She has served six years as USITT's VP of Membership and Development where she founded the nationally-known Stage Management Mentoring Project. She lives in Akron with husband Mark and her 10year-old son Banno.

JANIS L. HARCAR (Director of Marketing & Development) holds an M.A. in Arts Administration from The University of Akron and a B.S. in Music Education from Kent State University and has been a Weathervane staff member since 1993. She serves as the Artistic Director of the Ravenna Community Choir and Director of St. Paul Lutheran Church Choir also in Ravenna. Jan was honored with the 2003 Trustees Award.

ALAN SCOTT FERRALL (Scenic Designer/Technical Director) began at Weathervane under the tutelage of John R. Thomas. This is his ninth season. Before Weathervane, he worked at Cuyahoga Falls High School where he was awarded a Design Excellence citation from USITT

and a place in Who's Who Among America's Teachers. He has designed for many local high schools as well as for The Players Guild, Cleveland Signstage and Channels 45/49. This past year he was awarded an Excellence in Set Design from the Ohio AACTFEST for A Lesson Before Dying. Scott has earned four Chanticleer Awards -- one as stage manager for *Fences*, the others as lighting co-designer for A Man for All Seasons and lighting designer for The Laramie Project and A Lesson Before Dying. He takes great pleasure in writing the end-of-the-season revue for The Not-Ready-for-Mainstage Players who appear at our annual Chanticleer Awards Dinner.

SEAN McCONAHA (Director of Education and Producer of Youth/Family Productions) holds a dual major in Theater Performance and Pre-Law from West Virginia Wesleyan College and an M.A. in Theater from The University of Akron. He is a free-lance actor and director throughout northeastern Ohio. Sean directed the OCTA award-winning production of Romeo and Juliet as well as Chanticleer winners for Best Production, The King of the Kosher Grocers and A Lesson Before Dying and the inaugural Dietz production of Angels in America: Millennium Approaches. He lives in Bolivar with wife, Beth, daughters, Leda and Delaney, and twins Zoe and Griffin.

KEITH D. CAMPBELL (Supervisor Front-of-House & Patron Services) holds a B.A. in English from The University of Akron, where he served as editor of The Buchtelite and sang with the Akron Symphony Chorus. During the summers of 1995 and 1996, he interned in the box office at Porthouse Theatre Company. Keith joined the Weathervane staff in November 1996 and was honored with the 2005 Trustees Award. He lives in Akron.

JOHN COTTER (Business and Public Relations Assistant) has the duties that come with helping Jan and Keith in the Marketing and Box Office areas. He also coordinates our Acme Community CashBack program and urges everyone to save their Acme register tapes and bring them to him at the Playhouse. John retired after 36 years with Ohio Edison and has been a long-time volunteer of the Playhouse having served on the Production Board as its President and Co-Chair of Properties. He has also worked backstage for many productions and has won Chanticleers for Properties Design for four productions. He is, however, most proud of his three grandchildren, Dana, Nicholas and Kristin. KATHRYN A. KOHL (Assistant Technical Director) holds a degree in Elementary Education from BGSU and a

Master of Business Management degree from Aurora College in Aurora, IL. She began her theater career as a volunteer on many lighting, set construction and props crews. She won a Chanticleer for properties co-design of The Philadelphia Story. Kathy also serves as Resident Master Carpenter and Master Painter for the Theatre Department at Firestone High School. She lives in West Akron with husband Doug and their three children. Stephanie, Zachary and Katie.

DREAJEAN L. BROWN (Data Services Manager) holds a Master of Science degree in Technical Education and a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from The University of Akron. She is the Director of Administration for the Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition. She is an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. Inc. Akron Alumnae Chapter. Drea says her major priority is spoiling her grandchildren. Balancing her time with work and family, she still finds time to crochet baby blankets for the Neo Natal Unit at Children's Hospital in Akron, and lap afghans for the Life Care Facility in Pittsburgh, PA.

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Holiday Drop In -- Join us for holiday festivities. Wednesday, December 14, 6 - 9 p.m.

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I am very pleased that you chose to spend part of this season with us and am very grateful for your continued support.

Happy Holidays!

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#### Weathervane Community Playhouse

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## Tim Rice & **Andrew Lloyd Webber**

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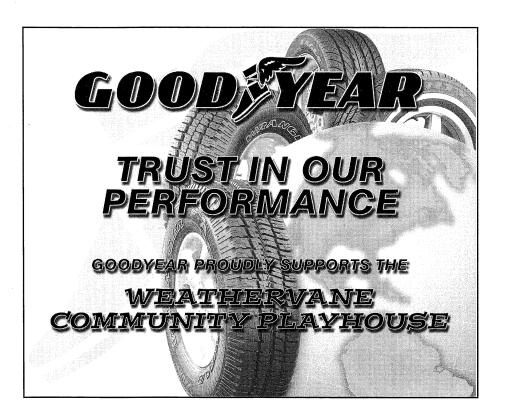


#### About the Composers

Andrew Lloyd Webber was born on March 22, 1948 and grew up in South Kensington, England. His home was filled with music and he showed, from an early age, an extraordinary talent for it. He has created or co-created musicals including *Jesus Christ Superstar, Evita, Cats, Starlight Express* and *Phantom of the Opera*. Webber has received the following awards: seven Tonys, three Grammys, one Oscar, an International Emmy and a Golden Globe.

**Tim Rice** was born in Buckinghamshire, England. He entered the world of popular music as the lead singer for a pop group called the Aardvarks, and went on to sing occasionally with other 1960s rock groups. His first published song, *That's My Story*, appeared in 1965, the same year he met Andrew Lloyd Webber. Rice has worked with many notable composers including Marvin Hamlisch and Paul McCartney, and has received three Grammy Awards for his work on Walt Disney's *Aladdin*.

**Webber** and **Rice** wrote *Joseph* as an end-of-term concert at a small preparatory school in west London. At first the show lasted fifteen minutes, but it has since grown to an hour and a half. Rice and Webber also wrote songs together that have not been in shows including *It's Easy for You*, recorded by Elvis Presley in 1976.



# Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat -- Cast

Joseph	Jack Allen Bartholet
Narrator	Elise Cordle
Jacob	Kurt Fitzgerald
Pharaoh	Tim Singleton
Reuben	Chris Simmons
Simeon	George McCarty II
Judah	Joseph Snell
Isaachar	J.D. Bechter
Levi	Michael Ritzert
Dan	Jim Cirner
Benjamin	Clay Smalley
Gad	Zack Jewell
Asher	Mike Ullinger
Zebulun	Kody Fitzgerald
Napthali	Tim Singleton
Potiphar's Wife	Amanda Davis
Reuben's Wife	Kellie Hale
Zebulun's Wife	Kathryn O'Connor
Dan's Wife	Sarah Scafidi
Isaachar's Wife	Amanda Morrow
Levi's Wife	Jessica Posey
Benjamin's Wife	Helena Olee
Gad's Wife	Kaitlin E. Schnee
Judah's Wife	ndria LaForce-Marzullo
Napthali's Wife	
Simeon's Wife	
Asher's Wife	Shelley Wyzynski
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NOTE: A strobe light is used in the Act I finale, *Go*, *Go*, *Go Joseph*.

There will be ONE 15-minute intermission between acts one and two.

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#### *Our Director/Choreographer*

Sarah Elaine Bailey returns to Weathervane to direct Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat for the third time. You may have seen her around the building as Sister Mary Amnesia in Nunsense, teaching musical theatre classes or perhaps at the Chanticleer Awards, as a Not-Ready-for-Main-Stage Player. Bailey received her Bachelor of Music degree from Ohio Northern University and her Masters of Music and Pedagogy degree from the prestigious Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey. Bailey has sung at Carnegie Hall with the New York Philharmonic, and was a grand finalist at the Guandong International Vocal Competition in China. Bailey 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 and Cherubino in Le Nozze de Figaro. She also performed at the famed Edinburgh Fringe Festival. Her biggest role, however, is as a mother to her beautiful daughters Isabelle and Sophia and wife to her handsome husband Kyle.

#### Our Musical Director

Margaret Knepper is an accomplished actress, singer, musician, director and costume designer. She has directed or musical directed over a dozen productions at Weathervane including Joseph, My Way and Nunsense. She was Mrs. Lovett in Sweeney Todd and was also seen in Fiddler on the Roof here at the Playhouse. Margaret is a voice and flute instructor at Medina High School where she has directed many productions as well as the highly-respected show choir, The Encore Entertainment Company. She was a music performance major at Baldwin-Wallace Conservatory of Music with additional studies at The University of Akron and The University of Michigan. She has performed with Cleveland Opera, Berea Summer Theatre, Goodyear Community Theater, Greenbrier (Cassidy) and First Night Akron.

# In the Bank One Visual Arts Gallery

The artwork in our Bank One Visual Arts Gallery during the run of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat is proudly displayed by third grade students from Crouse Elementary School in Akron. These students are from the classrooms of Mr. Twigg, Mrs. Preston and Mr. Dettling and their artwork is supervised by Ms. Erica Flemmer. The students are invited guests for a daytime performance of the show and a reception afterwards. Thanks to Marci Paolucci, Gallery Director, for framing the pieces and showing them off so nicely.

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#### Musical Numbers & Musicians

Act I Overture Prologue/Any Dream Will Do Jacob & Sons/Joseph's Coat Joseph's Dreams Poor, Poor Joseph One More Angel in Heaven 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 amd

Go, Go, Go Joseph

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JACK ALLEN BARTHOLET (Joseph) is the son of Kathleen and Perry Bartholet and is a junior at Lake High School. He participates in the Lake show choir, Stark County Arts Council and serves as president of the speech team. Jack is thrilled to return to Weathervane in the role of Joseph. His other work includes Jane Eyre at Mercury Summer Stock, Kent State - Stark's production of The Secret Garden (Colin) The Players Guild's Children of Eden (Cain), Les Miserables and Titanic. Jack would like to dedicate his performance to Vicki.

ELISE MARIE CORDLE (Narrator) is a student at Firestone High School. She has performed at Weathervane as Mary Warren in *The Crucible* and was in the last two *Joseph* productions. Other credits include Golde in *Fiddler on the Roof*, Marian in *The Music Man* and Cinderella in *Into the Woods*. She loves dancing, horseback riding, classical piano and opera.

KURT FITZGERALD (Jacob) is making his Weathervane debut with his son Kody. Employed by the Summit County Metro Parks, Kurt was born in Misenbach, West Germany and has lived in the Philippines, California, Texas, Utah and Colorado. He lives in Cuyahoga Falls with his wife Kirsten and children Kody, Kansas, Karson and Kassidy.

TIM SINGLETON (Pharaoh/ Napthali) is a senior at Chippewa High School, where he has performed in productions of *Twelve Angry Men, South Pacific, Les Miserables* and *Children of Eden*. Tim has received a superior rating at state vocal contests the last four years and will attend Baldwin-Wallace College in the fall.

**CHRIS SIMMONS** (Reuben) is a resident of Massillon and returns for his second production of *Joseph*. A sophomore at The University of Akron, his work includes

roles in Cabaret, Titanic, Footloose, The Rocky Horror Show and in the 2002 Weathervane production of Fiddler on the Roof.

**GEORGE MCCARTY II** (Simeon) is appearing onstage at Weathervane for the first time. A Canton resident, George is currently employed at David's Bridal and enjoys costuming. He was last seen as the Scarecrow in *The Wizard of Oz* at the Firehouse Theatre in Alliance.

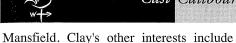
JOSEPH SNELL (Judah) is a Cuyahoga Falls resident who has been active in school productions such as *Cinderella* at Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy, where he is currently enjoying his sophomore year. *Joseph* is his first Weathervane experience.

**J.D. BECHTER** (Isaachar) enjoys playing basketball and being a member of the show choir and chamber ensemble of his school. A senior at Walsh Jesuit High School, J.D. has performed in productions of *Anything Goes*, *Pygmalion*, *Grease*, *The Miracle Worker* and *Guys and Dolls*.

MICHAEL RITZERT (Levi) is in his second season of *Joseph*. He enjoys collecting crazy straws, shopping, miniature golf, playing the saxophone and stargazing. Michael's favorite roles include Peter in *The Diary of Anne Frank*, Jim in *Titanic* and one of the phantoms in *The Rocky Horror Show*.

**JIM CIRNER** (Dan) is an 8th-grader at Kimpton Middle School in Stow. He has played Albert in *Bye*, *Bye Birdie* and performed in *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Music Man* and *Yard Sale*. Jim's interests include basketball, playing the drums and running.

**CLAY SMALLEY** (Benjamin) is a student at Central Intermediate School. He has recently been seen on stage in productions of *Gypsy, The King and I* and *Joseph* in



soccer and singing.

**ZACK JEWELL** (Gad) is a freshman at Roosevelt High School in Kent and is also a first-time performer at Weathervane. He has been part of the company for *The Nutcracker* at the Akron Civic Theatre and *Coppelia* with the Children's Ballet Theatre.

MIKE ULLINGER (Asher) is also a freshman at Roosevelt High School in Kent and a member of the OMEA District VI Honors Choir. He recently served as the crew chief for *The Wizard of Oz* at Dynamics Theatre.

KODY FITZGERALD (Zebulun) has performed in nine shows in the past three years. A freshmen in the Visual and Performing Arts program at Firestone High School, Kody also enjoys playing piano, singing and video games. His work includes roles in *The Wizard of Oz, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and *The Sound of Music*.

KELLIE HALE (Reuben's Wife) is an 8th-grader at Litchfield Middle School. She has appeared on stage in *Grease, Annie* and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. Kellie made her Weathervane debut this season in *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* and has worked backstage on *Joseph* and *Little Women*.

**SARAH SCAFIDI** (Dan's Wife) is performing in *Joseph* for the first time having been seen on stage in *The Wizard of Oz, Cinderella* and *On the Radio*. Sarah is a sophomore at Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy, and she enjoys dance, singing and learning all about the theatre.

AMANDA MORROW (Isaachar's Wife) is an accomplished actress who has appeared in *The Sound of Music*, *Flapper* and *Ladies of the Tower* at Manchester

High School and was recently seen on the Weathervane stage as the title character in Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs and in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Amanda loves to perform and hopes to make it to Broadway someday.

JESSICA POSEY (Levi's Wife) is a sophomore at Walsh Jesuit High School where she has the highest grade point average in her class. She has performed in various plays including *A Little Princess*, *Guys and Dolls* and *Once on This Island*. She is appearing in her second year of *Joseph*.

**HELENA OLEE** (Benjamin's Wife) is a 7th-grader at Highland Middle School in Medina. Another *Joseph* veteran, Olee has also been seen on stage at Weathervane as The Narrator in *Winnie-the-Pooh* and enjoys singing and snowboarding.

**KAITLIN E. SCHNEE** (Gad's Wife) is a freshman at Copley High School. She appeared in *Joseph* twice as a member of the St. Hilary chorus and also performed in school productions of *Once on This Island, The Music Man* and *Godspell*. Kaitlin also enjoys horseback riding, skating, Irish dancing and painting. She plans to study to be a large animal veterinarian at the University of New Mexico.

AMANDA DAVIS (Potiphar's & Napthali's Wife) is studying pre-med psychology as a sophomore at Kent State University. (She was valedictorian when she graduated from Firestone High School.) Now in her third go-around with Joseph, Amanda also stage managed Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs and played Hero in Much Ado about Nothing at Weathervane this season.

**SHELLEY WYZYNSKI** (Asher's Wife) is a junior at St. Vincent - St. Mary's High School, where she is active in show choir, International Thespian Society and liturgi-



cal choir. Her production credits include, Annie, The King and I, A Midsummer Night's Dream and Hello, Dolly.

KARALAYNA STEWARD (Simeon's Wife) is a junior at Cuyahoga Falls High School where she has received the High Academic Achievement Award and was named a Rotary Club Scholar. She also performed in the school's production of Sleeping Beauty.

ALEXANDRIA LAFORCE-MARZUL-LO (Judah's's Wife) is making her debut on the Weathervane stage having performed at many area theatres. She has been seen in productions of *Annie*, *Gypsy*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Honk*, *Seussical* and *Fiddler on the Roof*. A freshman at Hudson High School, she has also studied ballet and jazz and plays flute in marching and concert band.

**KATHRYN O'CONNOR** (Zebulun's Wife) is new to the Weathervane stage. A freshman at Green High School, Kathryn has appeared in Theatre 8:15 productions of *Haunted Theatre, Bring in the Heart* and *Jingle Bell Follies*. She was also a member of the ETC Show Choir for five years.



DANIELLE RUSEN (Stage Manager) is pleased to be working on her eighteenth show at Weathervane. She is a senior at Copley High School and has experience working with lights, sound and props for our Mainstage and Youth productions at. Her time spent at Weather-vane and other organizations has allowed her to be named one of the top five volunteers in her age group in northeast Ohio. She plans to major in French in the field of Education.

**ASHLEY SHAW** (Properties Coordinator) has solo designed and collaborated with her father on shows including *Winnie-the-Pooh* and *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*.

NANCY ZEIGLER (Properties Design) is an avid WCP volunteer who encourages other to become involved in production aspects of our shows. She is also a member of the Women's Board.

CHRISTINE SCHUENEMAN (Costume Design) is a graduate of Kent State University and has been working in Weathervane's costume shop since 1996 on shows including *Stuart Little* and *The Jungle Book*. She has also worked with the

Lakeview Musical Theater on productions of *Annie* and *Fiddler on the Roof*. She won Chanticleer Awards for Costume Design for *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* and *The Wiz*.

**HENRIETTA COOK** (Costume Coordinator) is one of our regulars in the costume shop. A member of the Women's Board since 1996, "Aunt Hen" is also seen hostessing for mainstage productions.

**KAREN MORROW** (Costume Coordinator) co-designed costumes for *Snow White* earlier this season. She is a teacher's aide with Manchester Schools.

CHARLES KORECKI (Sound Design) designed lighting for Weathervane's *The King of the Kosher Grocers, As Bees in Honey Drown, The Wiz,* the last two seasons' production of *Joseph* and our spectacular production of *My Way* in 2003. A graduate of Albion College, he is the Theater Operations Manager at Cuyahoga Falls High School.

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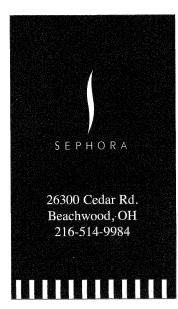
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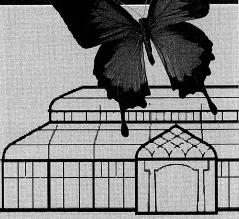
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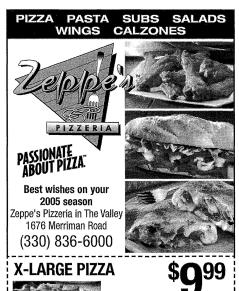
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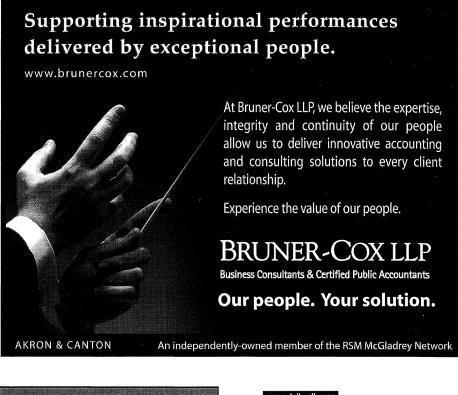
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Weathervane began as a volunteer organization and continues its growth thanks to the time and talent that members of our community invest in it. Our on-stage performers have worked long and hard to earn your applause. But their work is supported by many other unseen men and women who've helped build and paint sets, run the lights and sound, make sure that properties and set dressing items are in their proper places and do other backstage labor from stage managing to costuming and make-up. Supporting those who are actively involved in putting on each show are still more volunteers who usher, house manage, sell tickets, keep our office running and serve on our Board of Trustees, Board committees, Production Board and Women's Board.

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

Each month, we acknowledge the outstanding Volunteers of the Month in our lobby, but those volunteers represent all who commit their time and interest to create a great theater experience for everyone who's come to see this show.

If you have friends or relatives who volunteer generously at Weathervane, we hope you'll take a moment to thank them for their help and their support of the cultural enrichment of our community. Better yet, join them! Call us and we'll help you win your own share of the applause for a "jolly good show," an experience that offers unique challenges with every performance.

#### Share the Annual Chanticleer Celebration

Let's talk Chanticleer! Shortly after the final production of each season (August 19, 2006). Weathervane volunteers, subscribers and friends share an exciting awards banquet and party to acknowledge outstanding performances by performers and technical volunteers. And, if you have seen all of the six mainstage productions, you are eligible to be a judge!

The top performers are awarded rooster statuettes -- Chanticleers -- in recognition of their work, as voted by Chanticleer "judges." It's a great night to get together, share hopes, fun and festivities and is open to all.

Awards are presented for outstanding lead performances by a male or female in a drama or comedy, outstanding support performances, and outstanding lead and support in a musical, as well as choices in technical achievement. Chanticleers are also awarded for properties, lights, costumes and sound design, plus best production of the season. In addition to performance and production awards, the event also recognizes the Top 25 outstanding volunteers of the season. We welcome you to take part in the biggest nail-biting party of the year. Make sure to pick up your ballot at the end of the season and join us!



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#### Volunteer

#### Responsibilities

Here's a quick introduction to the responsibilities volunteers undertake to make our shows work. If you'd like to try your hand at any of these jobs, please call us. We'll help you learn! Volunteers with 100 hours or more of service are eligible for a special Weathervane membership!

- \* Stage Management Duties include assisting the director throughout the rehearsal period, calling cues, keeping backstage safe and orderly, and coordinating the technical needs of the show with the actors. A great opportunity for those who enjoy planning, communicating and taking charge. Once the director's work is done, it's the Stage Manager who runs each performance.
- \* Set Construction Use your building skills, carpentry or painting techniques to help make illusion come to life. Help is needed days and evenings.
- \* Costumes Designers and workers are vital. We invite skilled and unskilled seamstresses to make or alter costumes, create patterns, care for costumes during a show and keep our wardrobe department organized.
- \* Lighting Experience is a plus, but you can learn by assisting others who know computers and electrical requirements. We'll train eager volunteers to help hang, focus and add color to lighting instruments. We'll also teach you how to run the light board and follow spots. Nobody can see the show without you.
- \* Sound Create the music and sound effects tapes that enrich the aural envi-

- ronment for each show or add "live" backstage sound. Run the sound system for technical rehearsals and productions.
- \* Properties All the items that help "dress" a set and all those used by actors in rehearsal and performance (from tea sandwiches to "deadly" weapons and "shattering" windowpanes) must be borrowed, built or cooked. Many volunteers are needed to work on each performance.
- \* Office Volunteer If you enjoy dealing with the public, we can use your help during office hours and on show nights to assist in taking money and answering the phone to take reservations. You may also help with mailings, work with staff, and greet customers and visitors.
- \* Ushering Welcome audience members with your smile, show them to their seats. pass out programs, and serve refreshments at intermission. Your help is always welcome.
- \* House Manager This representative greets the audience, tears tickets and guides theater-goers to ushers for seating. You'll work with the stage manager to coordinate the timing of intermissions and remain in the lobby throughout the show to handle any emergency.

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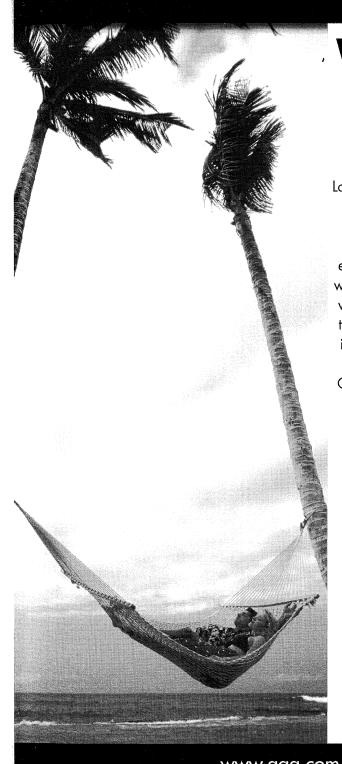


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Many performers come with substantial theatrical experience. Others are new to the stage. Auditions are open to all and our non-traditional casting policy opens the way for many performance opportunities. Except in cases where race, gender, age or disability is essential to the play, all roles are cast on the basis of talent.

Local newspapers carry audition dates and times or call Weathervane at 330-836-2626 to be added to the audition mailing list. Some directors prefer to set appointments for audition times and may ask that you come prepared with a brief

monologue, improvisational subject or musical number. Copies of plays scheduled or audition scenes are often available for a nominal deposit.

When you arrive at the theater on audition nights, you'll learn about the rehearsal and performance schedule. You may also register as a production volunteer if you're interested in learning about the technical opportunities in the show.

You may be asked to return for call-backs and will be notified of the director's cast selection as soon as possible. Please note that if you don't win the role you've wanted so badly, it may not necessarily reflect on your talent. The director's choice of cast members must take many factors into account to develop the proper "relationships," style and reality of the ensemble. Don't be discouraged.

#### Beware of the Dreaded No-Show

Have you ever seen empty seats at a *sold out* sporting event or concert? Weathervane has the same problem. Subscribers who may have exchanged from another performance wonder why they weren't given those prime empty seats for the evening.

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Subscribers: Please call the Ticket Office at 836-2626 if you will not make your ticketed performance. Thank you.

#### Weathervane Traditions

Meet the cast Many cast members spend a few minutes in the lobby area to meet and greet friends after performances. It's your chance to thank them for their performance.

**Intermission Tea** is served with our compliments by our volunteers. Soft drinks are available at a nominal cost.

Opening Night Receptions welcome audiences on Main Stage first Friday performances. We provide light refreshments after the show so you can share in the celebration.

For your sweet tooth snacks are available for purchase before the show and during intermission.

Refreshments (other than water) are not permitted in the auditorium.



#### Youth Education

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 Theatre (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, *Much Ado about Nothing, Crowns* 

and Antigone will be featured in the Project STAGE© events. Tickets are \$8.

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

#### Adult Classes

Professionally taught adult theatre classes have included classical drama, improvisation, scenic design, stage lighting and directing. These classes help actors expand their performance and public speaking skills. Look for new schedules for classes periodically.

Learning On the Job

Every production participant becomes part of Weathervane's continuing education process. You'll learn from more experienced volunteers who share the creation of production and performance. If you don't have time for structured classes, sign on to become a crew member or performer. We'll help you expand your knowledge of backstage and onstage responsibilities.



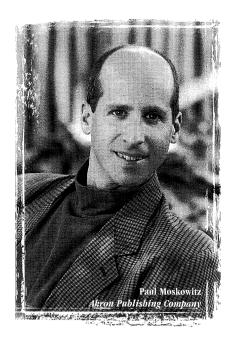
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