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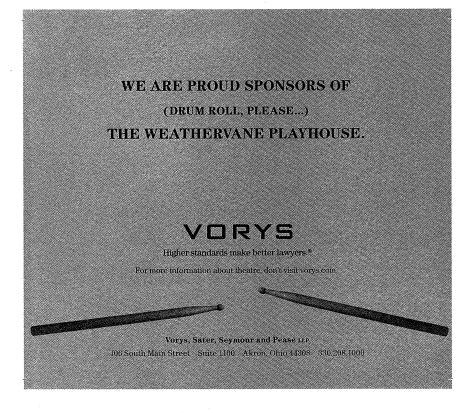
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#### A Brief History of Weathervane Playhouse

From the "barn" to Copley Road to the Valley...

Weathervane Community Playhouse began its run in 1935. Four artistically talented Woman's City Club members -- Grace Hower Crawford, Muriel MacLachlan, Laurine Schwan, Helen Troesch -- and a core of charter members rented the empty carriage house belonging to Akron's Senator Charles Dick. Their goal was to present a wide spectrum of plays: classics, dramas, comedies, new works - even opera - with casting open to anyone who fit a part.

The women chose a carnival as their fundraiser to start paying the rent. Despite a drenching downpour, they raised \$60. They named their space "Weathervane" after the rooster on the barn's cupola. After cleaning their new home, scrounging for seats, a curtain and a coffee pot, Weathervane opened its first season. During that summer of 1935 the group presented seven fully costumed and staged plays. In 1936, Muriel MacLachlan with the other founders offered classes to children and adults, beginning a tradition that has become today's Education Department. In 1938 a Women's Board was formed to offer volunteer financial assistance. It, too, continues to this day.

The "barn" was home until it was sold. In 1951 the Playhouse purchased a cement block building at 1471 Copley Road and renovated it for a theater with seating capacity of 125. The all-volunteer organization hired its first employee, Nora Scott, as custodian/tickét manager. Actual management of the Playhouse was handled by the Operating Board, which reported to the Board of Trustees. Because directors were becoming scarce, the Board hired Bob Belfance as full-time Manager/Director. He held the position from 1961-69 and from 1974-92. During the Copley Road days, plays were presented six days a week. Because of their popularity, not everyone who wanted to see a show could be accommodated. A new home was planned. During the 1960s the membership's plans came together in June 1970 with the opening of Dark of the Moon here on Weathervane Lane. Longtime friend and founder Grace Hower Crawford died in 1971, remembering the Playhouse in her will. Her money enabled the Board to pare down the mortgage and set up an Endowment Fund. The last mortgage payment was made in 1974 through a contribution of the Women's Board. Three major additions followed; these included first-floor restrooms, classrooms, a costume shop, fly gallery and elevator. The former scene shop became the John L. Dietz Theater/Classroom in 2005 and the lobby project was just completed for the opening of the 75th season.

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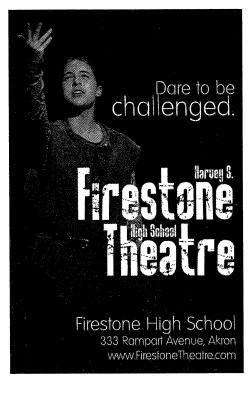
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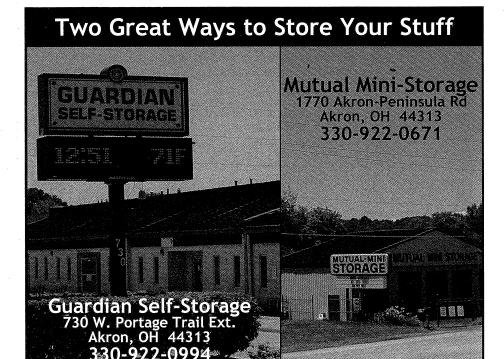
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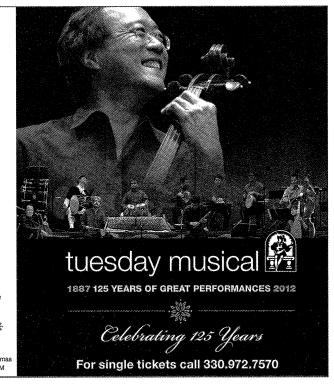
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In a recent study by economists from New York University's Stern School of Business, companies that give to charities earn back \$6 for every \$1 donated. The study concluded by saying "in business terms, sponsoring or contributing to a good cause can be as easily justified as research and development, capital expenditures, or marketing campaigns." For a company, contributing to a nonprofit organization can not only be a nice thing to do, but it can be good business as well.



But what about for the individual – the average person who works hard to make ends meet – why should they give?

The answer to that question lies in the veracity of our mission: Weathervane Playhouse exists to enrich the quality of life in Northeast Ohio by providing life-enhancing artistic experiences and to engender greater understanding, empathy and tolerance in our community. Theater at its best is a place where we can come together as a community to experience a shared sense of our own humanity – in addition to being entertained. In an age where technology is driving us further apart, that simple act of coming together to reconnect with what makes us all more alike than different is an increasingly rare and important act – and one that can reverberate in positive ways throughout our community.

When I came to Weathervane five years ago I asked people to tell me their stories about the theater and what it meant to them. I received an overwhelming number of responses including this one:

"As I became more involved at Weathervane, the sense that something was 'missing' from my life vanished. What I found wasn't just a great creative outlet, but truly a new extension of my family. Weathervane has amazing energy."

This, and countless other stories like it, are the reason why Weathervane is worthy of your support – because we are literally changing and improving lives every day.

I hope you will consider giving to Weathervane Playhouse this holiday season, either as a tax-deductible contribution or by purchasing one or more of our coupon ticket books for yourself or as gifts. In so doing you will be supporting a nonprofit that may not help people with the means to live, but you'll surely be assisting an organization that gives people a reason to live.

I wish you all a happy and blessed Holiday Season and New Year.

Sincerely.

John Hedges Executive Director



## Weathervane

— PLAYHOUSE —

78th Season -- 2012-2013 -- Young Actor Production #92 Melanie Y.C. Pepe, Producer November 20 - December 23, 2012



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#### **About the Musical & Composers**

#### About the Musical -- the Story

The plot of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* comes from the Old Testament of the Bible in *Genesis, Chapter 37*: "Now Jacob loved Joseph more than all his children because he was the son of his old age; and he made him a coat of many colors. And when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all of them, they hated him and could not speak peaceably unto him." On a trip to Dotham, the brothers met a company of Ishmaelites on their way to Egypt. The jealous brothers saw an opportunity not to be missed: they stripped Joseph of his many-colored coat and sold him into slavery to the Ishmaelites. It may have been a case of good riddance for the brothers, but life is never what it seems (even in Biblical times!). Joseph, with his prophetic dreams, became a favorite of the Pharaoh and thus rose to political power. When famine struck, his brothers had to plead with Joseph for food, not recognizing him as their own brother.

#### About the Show's Composer and Lyricist

Composer Andrew Lloyd Webber was born on March 22, 1948, and grew up in South Kensington, England. His childhood was spent in a home filled with music and he demonstrated, from an early age, an extraordinary talent for it. He is the composer of many musicals, including Jesus Christ Superstar, Evita, Cats, Starlight Express, The Phantom of the Opera and Sunset Boulevard. Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom knighted him in 1992 as Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber. He is the recipient of seven Tony Awards, three Grammys, one Oscar, an International Emmy and a Golden Globe. In 2006, he was named one of five of that year's Kennedy Center Honors recipients. Love Never Dies, a sequel to his The Phantom of the Opera, opened in London in 2010. His most recent work is a new stage version of The Wizard of Oz. Starring Michael Crawford (the original star of Broadway's The Phantom of the Opera), the production opened in London in March 2011 and closed this past September.

Lyricist Tim Rice was born in Buckinghamshire, England, on November 10, 1945. He entered the world of popular music as the lead singer of the pop-rock group the Aardvarks and went on to sing occasionally with other popular rock groups of the 1960s. He published his first song, *That's My Story*, in 1965 -- the same year he met his eventual musical partner, Andrew Lloyd Webber. In addition to *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, the two Englishmen collaborated on the blockbuster musicals *Jesus Christ Superstar* and *Evita*. Rice has worked with other notable composers, including Marvin Hamlisch and Paul McCartney, and received three Grammys for his work on Walt Disney's *Aladdin*. With Elton John, he wrote the lyrics for Disney's *The Lion King*. In 2010, he reunited with his *Joseph* collaborator Andrew Lloyd Webber on new songs for a stage version of *The Wizard of Oz*. Starring Michael Crawford (the original star of Broadway's *Phantom of the Opera*), the production opened in London in March 2011 and closed this past September.

#### About the Show's Performance History

Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice wrote *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* in 1968 as an end-of-term concert at a small preparatory school in West London. The first version of the show had a running time of only 15 minutes. Eventually, over a period of several years in the late 1960s and early 1970s, they expanded their show from a simple "pop oratorio" to a full-length musical-theater favorite. Since 1972, the show has had four major productions in London's West End theater district and two on Broadway in New York City — in addition to numerous national touring productions in the United Kingdom, the United States and in international locales. In 2007, the show became the focus of a BBC-TV reality show, *Any Dream Will Do*, in which a dozen young men competed (in the style of *American Idol*) to play the title role of Joseph in a new West End production (which opened in July of that year and ran in London for nearly two years). The show's licensing agent, the Rodgers & Hammerstein Organization, estimates that more than 20,000 productions have been staged over the years by schools and amateur-theater groups. Since 2000, audiences at Weathervane Playhouse in Akron have come to embrace this production as an annual holiday tradition perfect for children, their families and the young at heart.



#### Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat ~ Cast

Joseph	Brett Gregory Parr
Narrators	Brooke'Lytton & Jackson Sturkey
	Jeff Bixby
Pharoah	Justin Wiley
Potiphar	Troy Kowatch
Mrs. Potiphar	Paige Burris
Baker & Butler	Gracie Thanasiu & Taylor Nicole Bryan
	Zach Fretag & Cait McNeal
Simeon & Wife	Jeremy Feola & Madison Leigh Deckert
Levi & Wife	Troy Kowatch & Taylor Nicole Bryan
Napthali & Wife	Christian Perkowski &
	Taylor McWilliams-Woods
Issachar & Wife	Codey Montecalvo & Halley Hopson
	Justin Wiley & Paige Burris
Dan & Wife	Noah Casino & Kay Caprez
Zebuloxn & Wife	Zachary Troyer & Ingrid Schmetzer
Gad & Wife	Josh T. Johnson & Gracie Thanasiu
	Christopher J. Ha & Calista Pepe
Benjamin & Wife	Charlie Gruhler & Kate Klika
	Owen Casino, Theodore Mansfield,
	Amara Mascioli & Bailey McWilliams-Woods

#### INTERMISSION ~ 15 minutes following Act I

#### **MUSICIANS**

Sharon Alberson ~ Piano Don Day ~ Bass Ryan McDermott ~ Guitar Doug Tabbutt ~ Drums

#### PLEASE...

- Turn OFF your cell phone/BlackBerry because even silenced calls and text messages interfere with the sound system backstage, on stage and throughout the theater.
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- We request that you remain seated until the house lights have come up at intermission and after the curtain call.
- NOTE: In case of an emergency in which the performance cannot continue, Calamity Vouchers will be issued for a future performance. Thank you.



#### **About Our Directing Team**



SARAH ELAINE BAILEY (Director and Choreographer) with this production marks her tenth consecutive year as the director of Weathervane's annual Young Actor Series production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. This past summer, she directed Weathervane's Young Actor Series production of *Annie*. Her other Weathervane directorial credits include 2011's *Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella*, 2010's *Seussical*, 2009's *Madeline and the Gypsies*, 2008's *Go, Dog. Go!* and 2006's *Madeline's Rescue*. As a performer on the Weathervane stage, this past June and July she played Trix (The Aviatrix) in *The Drowsy Chaperone*. Other Weathervane performance credits include Sister Margaretta in 2006's *The Sound of Music* and Sister Amnesia in 2004's *Nursense* (for which she won a Chanticleer Award, the Playhouse's

version of the Tony Award!). She has taught Weathervane youth classes for nearly a decade and she is a frequent performer with The Not-Ready-for-Mainstage Players at the Playhouse's annual Chanticleer Awards ceremony. Since September 2010, as Weathervane's Education Outreach Coordinator, she has also assisted the Playhouse's education department in coordinating the hiring and training of the many teachers who staff the Playhouse's participation in Akron After School (on-site, after-school theater-education classes at dozens of Akron Public Schools facilities). She received her bachelor's degree in music from Ohio Northern University and her master's degree in music and pedagogy from Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey. She has sung at Carnegie Hall with the New York Philharmonic and was a grand finalist in Guangdong, China, International Vocal Competition and has also performed at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe in Scotland. Her favorite roles include Adele in *Die Fledermaus*, Juliette in *Romeo and Juliette* and Cherubino in *Le Nozze de Figaro*. Her grandest roles, however, are as mother to three daughters – Isabelle, Sophia and Cecilia – and as wife to her husband, Kyle Bailey, with whom she makes her home in Cuyahoga Falls.



SHARON DOBBINS ALBERSON (Musical Director) is a graduate of Kent State University School of Music and was a Blossom Music Scholar with the Cleveland Orchestra. A graduate of The University of Akron School of Law, Harvard Divinity School and Oxford University, Sharon is a minister, lawyer and musician. She is the founder and director of Faith Musicals, a faith-based musical company that produces eight original musicals for the benefit of local and national charities. For Weathervane Playhouse, she served as the musical director for the 2009 and 2011 productions of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella* in 2011, Seussical in 2010 – and most recently she served in

the same capacity for this past summer's production of *Annie*. She lives in Cuyahoga Falls with her husband, Ramsey, and their daughter, Heather.



KYLIE CASINO (Assistant Choreographer) is a recent college graduate, having earned her Bachelor of Arts in Dance from The University of Akron. She currently teaches at Creative Motion Studios, LLC and Diana Durkin Dance Studio, educating students who range in age from 3 to 18. She is no stranger to Weathervane, as she's been involved with backstage work for *Joseph*, as well as other various productions, for the past five years. She also made her onstage debut in *Pippin* two summers ago. She's thrilled to be lending her knowledge of dance to such an amazing production.





#### **Cast Biographies**



BRETT GREGORY PARR (Joseph) is honored to spend another holiday season in the dreamcoat after appearing as

Joseph in last year's production. He made his Weathervane debut

in the summer of 2006 as Rolf in *The Sound of Music*. Since then, Brett has gone on to appear on many Northeast Ohio stages. Favorite credits include *Spring Awakening, The Rocky Horror Show* and *Beauty and the Beast* (Lumiere). Brett has interned at Walt Disney World, sung the National Anthem for the Akron Aeros and spent this past summer working for Merry-Go-Round Playhouse in Auburn, New York. He is studying communications at Kent State University. He thanks Sarah, Melanie and Sharon for this opportunity, this fantastic cast and crew, and his family and friends. TPOG.



BROOKE LYTTON (Narrator) spent this past summer singing and dancing on our stage as Grace Farrell in *Annie*. She is a senior at Stow-Munroe Falls High School, where she serves as the

public relations officer for her school's drama club (for which she also co-wrote and directed a murder mystery). Her other school activities include the National Honor Society and the National Forensics League. She appeared on her school's stage in such shows as *Little Shop of Horrors* (Ronnette), *Twelve Angry Jurors* (Juror No. 12) and *Grease* (understudy for Rizzo). On our stage, she played Joy in *Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella* and The Bird Girl in *Seussical: The Musical*.



JACKSON STURKEY (Narrator) grew up in the Akron area and says that *Joseph* was one of the first shows he ever saw. "It's cool to be coming back to Weathervane in a production of one of

the shows that got me hooked!" he adds. His previous appearance on our stage was as a Muleteer in 2009's Man of La Mancha. Elsewhere, he has performed with Faith Musicals and on the stages of The University of Akron and Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy in Cuyahoga Falls. He is an alumnus of New York Film Academy in New York City.



JEFF BIXBY (Jacob) returns for his second year in this role. Last spring, he entertained our audiences as the Rev. Arthur Humphrey in *See How They Run*. His other Weatheryane

performance credits include Clarence in Mrs. Bob Cratchit's Wild Christmas Binge and the

Barber in Man of La Mancha (for which he won a Marquee Award from the Youngstown Area Community Theatre Association). Backstage, he's served as a stage manager (Annie and The Taming of the Shrew), as an assistant stage manager (A Tuna Christmas and The Wedding Singer) and he's also helped with stage properties and lighting for several productions here. This past August, he received a special Chanticleer Award from Weathervane when he took home the Producer's Award for service on and off the stage during the Playhouse's 2011-2012 season. After growing up in Medina and then graduating from Kent State University, he taught elementary school for 30 years in Cincinnati before retiring and moving back to the Akron area.



JUSTIN WILEY (Pharaoh and Asher) returns for his fourth consecutive year in this production. He is a senior at Barberton High School, where last year he played Bud Frump

(and served as a student director) in *How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying.* In 2010, he played Fender (one of "the nicest kids in town") in his school's production of *Hairspray.* Elsewhere, he played a Munchkin and an Emerald City resident in *The Wizard of Oz* at the now-closed Carousel Dinner Theatre, and he has also appeared in two productions of *A Christmas Story* at Magical Theatre Company in Barberton.



TROY KOWATCH (Potiphar and Levi) is appearing in his second show at Weathervane and is very excited to be doing *Joseph* for the first time. He was recently seen as Mr. Throttle in our production

of *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*. Troy is a sophomore musical theater major at Kent State University. Some of his favorite roles have been Sweeney Todd in *Sweeney Todd*, God in *Children of Eden* and Oliver Warbucks in *Annie*. Troy thanks his friends and family for all their love and support.



PAIGE BURRIS (Mrs. Potiphar and Levi's Wife) celebrates her fourth consecutive year as a member of our *Joseph* ensemble. A senior at Manchester High School in New Franklin, her

stage credits at school include Miss Maple in *The Butler Did It*, Glinda in *The Wizard of Oz* and Reno Sweeney in *Anything Goes*. Looking to the future, Paige says that she aspires to become a professor of music.



#### **Cast Biographies** continued



GRACIE THANASIU (The Baker and Gad's Wife) most recently on our stage played Tessie in Annie, and she was also a member of our It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play ensemble

last December. A seventh grader at Akron's Miller South School for the Visual and Performing Arts, Gracie serves as an officer in her school's Thespian Troupe. She has also acted in several productions at her school (Charlotte's Web, Alice Through the Looking Glass, Gulliver's Travels and Willie the Shake's Greatest Hits). Gracie sends thanks to her family and friends for supporting her and to "the fabulous cast!"



TAYLOR NICOLE BRYAN (The Butler and Levi's Wife) played Rumpleteazer in the Mercury Summer Stock production of *Cats* this past summer. She is a sophomore majoring in musical

theater at Kent State University, where last year she played Kristine in *A Chorus Line*. She is also an active member of her sorority, Alpha Xi Delta.



ZACH FRETAG (Reuben) makes his first appearance on our stage in this production. He is a junior at Stow-Munroe Falls High School, where he most recently appeared in *Little Shop of Horrors*.

He is also active as a competitor in his school's speech-and-debate team.



CAIT MCNEAL (Reuben's Wife) is a junior in the Visual and Performing Arts Program at Akron's Firestone High School who can boast many Weathervane credits. Most

recently, she spent this past summer playing Miss Hannigan in Annie. Her other Weathervane roles include Katherina in The Taming of the Shrew, Irene Adler in Art of Deduction: Inside the Mind of Sherlock Holmes, Levi's wife in the 2010 Joseph, Mayzie LaBird in Seussical, Mary Bennet in Pride and Prejudice, Issachar's Wife in the 2009 Joseph, Gypsy Mama in Madeline and the Gypsies, Egeus in A Midsummer Night's Dream, a chorus member in the 2008 Joseph and Madame in Disney's The AristoCats Kids.



JEREMY FEOLA (Simeon) played Levi in last year's production of this show and is delighted to assume the role of Simeon this year. A freshman studying theater at Kent State University, he first

became involved with Weathervane when he

was in high school and joined Weathervane's summer-stock ensemble. With this group, he appeared in 2010's *All in the Timing* and 2011's *The Actor's Nightmare*. He is a graduate of Medina High School, where he performed on stage in *Almost Maine*, *Les Miserables* and *Of Mice and Men*.



MADISON LEIGH DECKERT (Simeon's Wife) is a junior at Copley High School who makes her Weathervane debut in this production. When she was a student at Spring Garden Waldorf

School in Copley, she played the title role in *Hamlet*. Her interests and activities include playing piano, running and world travel. Madison says that she aspires to become a professional musician.



CHRISTIAN PERKOWSKI

(Napthali), a sophomore at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School in Akron, makes his Weathervane debut in this production. This past summer, he was an

ensemble member of the first annual All-City Musical production of *Hairspray* at the Akron Civic Theatre. Last year, he played Officer O'Hara in his school's *Arsenic and Old Lace*. A resident of Tallmadge, Christian enjoys playing piano in his spare time.



TAYLOR McWILLIAMS-WOODS (Napthali's Wife), a junior at Theodore Roosevelt High School

Theodore Roosevelt High School in Kent, played the roles of Cecile and Sarah on our stage this past summer in *Annie*. This past

spring, she played the Tailor in our *The Taming of the Shrew*. She has also appeared in her school's productions of *Pirates of Penzance*, *Brigadoon*, *Rehearsal for Murder* and in two one-act plays.



CODEY MONTECALVO

(Issachar) is a sixth grader at Miller South School for the Visual and Performing Arts in Akron who spent this past summer on our stage in *Annie*.

Last summer, he was in our *Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella*. Outside of school and his theater work, Codey enjoys art, soccer and karate.



HALLEY HOPSON (Issachar's Wife) with this production celebrates her fourth consecutive year as a *Joseph* cast member. Her other Weathervane credits are *Rodgers and Hammerstein*'s

Cinderella and Seussical. Most recently, she appeared in North Canton Playhouse's



#### **Cast Biographies** continued

production of *Chicago* and Medina County Show Biz's production of *Children of Eden*. Halley is a graduate of Barberton High School, where she played Prudy Pingleton in *Hairspray* and was in the ensemble of *Beauty and the Beast* and *Footloose*. "I would love to live in Chicago or New York some day," says Halley.



NOAH CASINO (Dan) played Drake this past summer on our stage in *Annie* and this past spring he played Biondello in *The Taming of the Shrew*. This year marks his fourth consecutive year

as a *Joseph* cast member. This past spring, he worked as an extra on 3 *Day Test*, a film directed by Corbin Bernsen that shot in the Akron area. At Magical Theatre Company in Barberton, he has performed in several productions – *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, *A Christmas Story* and *The Island of the Blue Dolphins*. His special skills include 11 years of piano instruction, a black belt in karate, dance training (including tap, ballet and hiphop), juggling, magic tricks and playing the guitar, ukulele and the harmonica. A homeschooled eleventh grader, he lives in Akron.



KAY CAPREZ (Dan's Wife) joins us for her third consecutive production of *Joseph*. Her other Weathervane credits include *Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella* and *Seussical*. Last

summer, she played Tracy Turnblad in *Hairspray* in the first annual All-City Musical at the Akron Civic Theatre. Now in her senior year at Our Lady of the Elms High School in Akron, Kay played Meg in her school's production of *Little Women* and Diedre in *Sahara Nights*. She has been awarded the Dominican Preaching Award and has been an active participant in her school's speechand-debate team, qualifying at the state level for three years.



ZACHARY TROYER (Zebulon) makes his Weathervane Playhouse debut in this production. He is a member of the ETC Main Street Singers Show Choir, in which he is a soloist for

the 2012-2013 season. An eighth grader at Roberts Middle School in Cuyahoga Falls, he is active in his school's Leadership Team and is a member of Stand Against Bullying.



INGRID SCHMETZER (Zebulon's Wife) played Asher's Wife last year on our stage in this show and is delighted to return for her second year (this time, married to a different brother!). A sophomore

at Revere High School, she participates in student council and is active with the Revere Players (she played Baby Jane in the group's Cheaper by the Dozen). Elsewhere, she appeared in Speaking of Murder at Western Reserve Playhouse and played a Munchkin and a Snowflake in The Wizard of Oz at the now-closed Carousel Dinner Theatre. Outside of school, she enjoys photography, art and cats. "I hope to continue performing after my high school years," she says, "and I hope to travel and study in London."



JOSH T. JOHNSON (Gad) is a seventh grader at Copley Middle School. This production marks his first time as a member of our *Joseph* ensemble, though he did sing with one of our youth

choruses in the 2009 production. Outside of Weathervane, Josh is a member of the Summit Choral Society, and he has sung in New York City's Times Square with the group.



CHRISTOPHER J. HA (Judah) returns to our stage for his third consecutive production of *Joseph*. Most recently, he played Lt. Ward in *Annie*. His other Weathervane credits include the 2010 and 2011

productions of this show, *Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella* and back-stage experience as an apprentice stage manager for *The Taming of the Shrew*. Elsewhere, he was in *Aurora's Wedding*, a classical ballet, at Dance Institute of The University of Akron. Christopher is 14 years old and home educated. His skills include Suzuki piano instruction and classical ballet, tap and jazz dance training. In his spare time, he enjoys working on his iPad and listening to waltz, ragtime and classical music.



CALISTA PEPE (Judah's Wife) most recently was a member of our orphan ensemble in this past summer's *Annie*. An eighth grader at Miller South School for the Visual and Performing Arts in

Akron, she also played a Who in Seuessical in 2010. Also here, she played the Magician's Assistant in 2009's Madeline and the Gypsies, appeared in the chorus of our 2008 Joseph and also in that same year played Ima Hog in The Tale of the Three Little Pigs and Black and White Dog in Go, Dog. Go! At Miller South, she played a Dwarf in Rip Van Winkle and has participated in the school's Rising Stars Choir, Junior Thespians group and yearbook committee. This past summer, you may have also seen her on a local TV commercial for the Akron Aeros.



#### **Cast Biographies** continued



CHARLIE GRUHLER (Benjamin) played a Policeman and Louis Brandeis on our stage this past summer in *Annie*. During the previous summer, he played a Footman in our Rodgers and

Hammerstein's Cinderella. He is a seventh grader at Miller South School for the Visual and Performing Arts in Akron, where his performance credits include roles in The Music Man and Guys and Dolls. He'll next appear in his school's upcoming production of *Dr*. Dolittle. This past spring, he traveled with his schoolmates to Germany and the Czech Republic, where he sang for various audiences. In his spare time, Charlie likes to play the ukulele and percussion.



KATE KLIKA (Benjamin's Wife) says that after countless hours singing in her church, on the stage at Miller South School for the Visual and Performing Arts and in Europe last spring with

the school's show choir, she has decided to pursue a career in musical theater. She and her fellow cast mates invite you to come see the musical Dr. Dolittle this spring at Miller South (where she's currently in the seventh grade). She says that she's very excited to be in Joseph and thanks Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Kaufman, Ms. Sharon, and her family. "Good luck to my Joe cast mates!"



OWEN CASINO (Ishmaelite/ Swing) has taken several of Weathervane's youth education classes and is now delighted to sing and dance on our stage in this production. A home-

educated Akronite, Owen previously appeared on stage in Barberton at Magical Theatre Company in The Best Christmas Pageant Ever. He also worked as an extra on the movie 3 Day Test, which director Corbin Bernsen shot in the Akron area this past spring. Outside of his schooling and theater activities, Owen has studied piano for four years and has enjoyed some dance training.



THEODORE MANSFIELD (Ishmaelite/Swing) has for the past six years sung with one of

our youth and/or anchor choruses in this production and now assumes a role in our

ensemble. His other Weathervane credits include Theo in *Pippin*, Rob in *Shine!* (with special guest artist Hal Linden), and JoJo in Seussical. Earlier this year, he played Edgar in Ragtime at Kent State University and was an ensemble member of the first annual All-City Musical production of Hairspray at the Akron Civic Theatre. A sixth grader at Miller South School for the Visual and Performing Arts in Akron, he traveled with his schoolmates this past spring to Germany and the Czech Republic, where he sang for various audiences.



AMARA MASCIOLI (Ishmaelite/ Swing) played Mrs. Pugh on our stage this past summer in Annie and spent the previous summer in our Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella. She is a senior at Revere

High School, where she serves as president of the school's Anime Club. Outside of school and Weathervane, she also enjoys reading, writing and playing video games. Amara says that she longs to travel to Japan.



**BAILEY McWILLIAMS-WOODS** (Ishmaelite/Swing) is an eighth grader at Stanton Middle School in Kent, where she sings with her school's choir and ensemble group. Most recently, she played

the role of Mrs. Greer in her school's production of Annie. With the Kent Parks & Recreation's Children's Musical Theater program, she has appeared in several productions at the Kent Stage: Alice in Wonderland, Honk!, This Old Gingerbread House, Seussical, Cinderella and Go Fish. In her spare time, she plays lacrosse and serves as the president of her church's youth group.



#### **Creative Team Biographies**



HANNAH CONKLE (Stage Manager) Hannah is so excited to be back stage managing her favorite show for the third year in a row. Hannah has been see on Weathervane's stage in Joseph and The Great White Hope. She was also the stage manager for Dancing

at Lughnasa and the assistant stage manager for Italian American Reconciliation, Hannah has also been seen on the stage of Western Reserve Playhouse in Suburb as Woman 1 and in The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee as Logainne and Stow Players production of Working as Babe. Hannah thanks her family, her wonderful boyfriend Igor and her girls (Mandy, Mary and Tess) for all their support.



JAMIE ORITI (Properties Co-Designer) spent the early part of this past summer here co-designing the stage properties for The Drowsy Chaperone. Prior to that, she worked backstage on our props crew for Amadeus. Elsewhere, she has

performed on area stages in such shows as Annie Get Your Gun, Give My Regards to Broadway, The Wizard of Oz and Oliver! Jamie holds a Master of Arts degree in higher-education administration from The University of Akron.



JULIA "J. J." McADAMS (Properties Co-Designer) served Weathervane as properties désigner for last year's production of Joseph. For Art of Deduction: Inside the Mind of Sherlock Holmes, she was properties codesigner and assistant stage manager.

She was assistant stage manager and co-designer of properties for both the 2009 and 2010 productions of this show. Her prior Weathervane stage-management credits also include Seussical and Pride and Prejudice.



GARY ROBINSON (Sound Desinger) first became involved with Weathervane this past summer, when he filled in as part of the sound crew for Weathervane's production of *The* Drowsy Chaperone. Most recently, he served as the sound designer for our

production of The Mystery of Edwin Drood. Gary has been working with sound design and production since the early 1980s, specializing in

live performance at houses of worship. He is a graduate of Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy and The University of Akron.



JASEN J. SMITH (Costume Designer) joined the Weathervane professional staff in August 2008 as its Resident Costume Designer and Costume Shop Manager. Since then, he's designed costumes for such Weathervane productions as Children

of Eden, Bloody Murder, Intimate Apparel, Pride and Prejudice and The Mystery of Edwin Drood, among others. His co-design credits include *Putting it* Together (with Adam Thatcher) and Man of La Mancha (with Hedy Jones), the latter of which earned him and his collaborator the Chanticleer Award for best costume design of the 2008-2009 season. He also won the 2009 Marquee Award for best costume design from the Youngstown Area Community Theatre Association for his work on Weathervane's Children of Eden. His other regional costume-design credits include Porthouse Theatre, Case Western Reserve University and Ohio Light Opera (Pirates of Penzance, The Mikado, Robin Hood and The Merry Widow).



ALAN SCOTT FERRALL

Scenic/Lighting Designer) began at Weathervane as a backstage volunteer under the tutelage of the late John R. Thomas. This is Scott's 16th season as a Weathervane staff member. Other design work includes

Cuyahoga Falls High School, The Players Guild of Canton, Cleveland Signstage Theatre and Western Reserve Public Media (PBS-TV Channels 45/49). At Weathervane, Scott has earned seven Chanticleer Awards -- one as the stage manager for Fences; one each for his lighting designs for The Laramie Project, A Lesson Before Dying and Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat; and one each for his colighting designs for A Man for All Seasons, The Full Monty and Man of La Mancha. In his spare time, Scott has written three one-act children's plays that tour local schools: Two Swords, a Bag of Marbles and a PB & J; The Mystery of the Missing Robot and How the Bee Learned to Spell: A Fable. He also takes great pleasure in writing the end-of-the-season revue for the Not-Ready-for-Mainstage Players, who appear at Weathervane's annual Chanticleer Awards banquet. He was the recipient of the 2012 Trustees Award.



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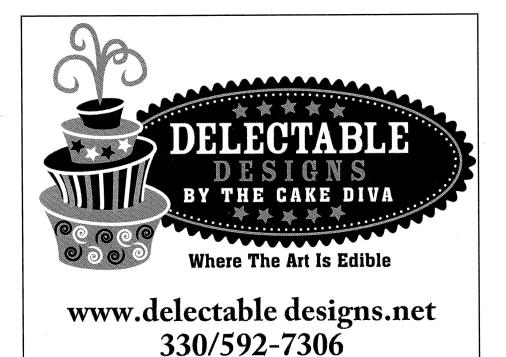
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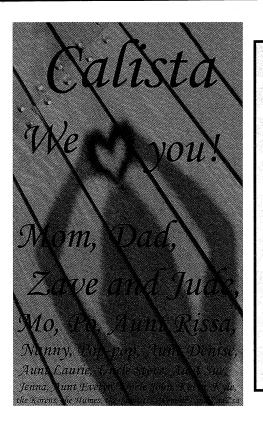
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Mr. Hedges is currently in his sixth season as Executive Director of Weathervane Playhouse. He has enjoyed an award-winning career as both a producer and an actor. In the spring of 2012, John received critical acclaim for his portrayal of Michael in the Cleveland premiere of God of Carnage at Dobama Theatre. Prior to coming to Weathervane, he spent ten years in the Resident Acting Company at the historic Barter Theatre in Virginia where he performed in over sixty shows. Other acting credits include performances at Broadway's Town Hall, the Pantages Theatre in Los Angeles, the Indiana Repertory Theatre, the Kentucky Shakespeare Festival, Actors Theatre of Louisville and the American Stage Festival in New Hampshire where he appeared opposite Academy Award-winner Olympia Dukakis in The Cherry Orchard. Film work: Freedom (Best Supporting Actor, SA International Film Festival). John has been Managing Director of First Stage Milwaukee, Associate Producer of North Shore Music Theatre, Business Director of Gloucester Stage Company, and General Manager of New York's Pearl Theatre Company. Mr. Hedges is a member of Actors' Equity Association, has served on the Board of Directors of Boston's StageSource, has been a Conference Panelist for the American Alliance for Theatre & Education, and written for American Theatre magazine. He studied at Indiana State University, the Professional Theatre Training Program at the University of Delaware, is a graduate of the National Shakespeare Conservatory and holds an honorary MFA in theatre from Stafford University. He is a graduate of Leadership Akron (Class XXV).

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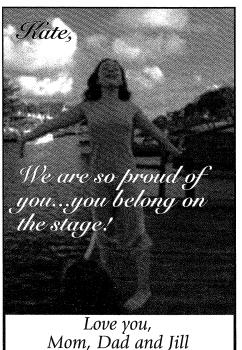


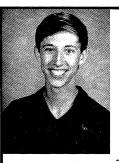


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Way to go, Teddy!

Love, Mom, Dad, Josh & Jake





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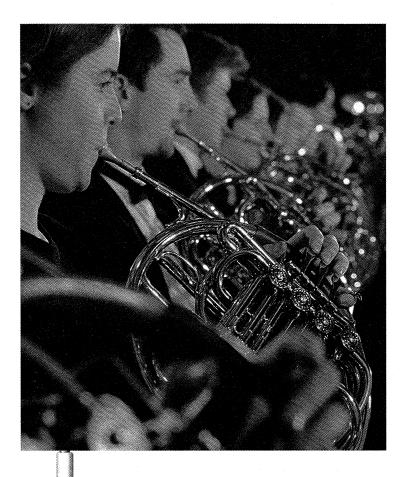
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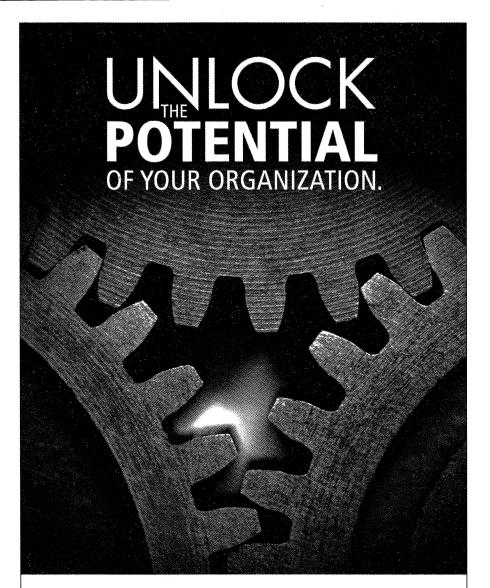
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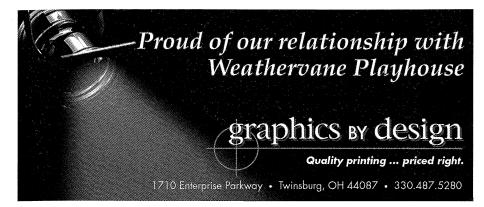
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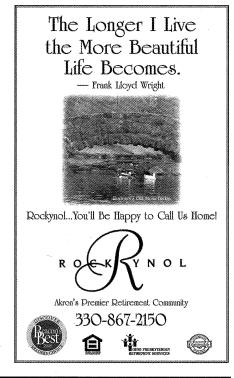
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