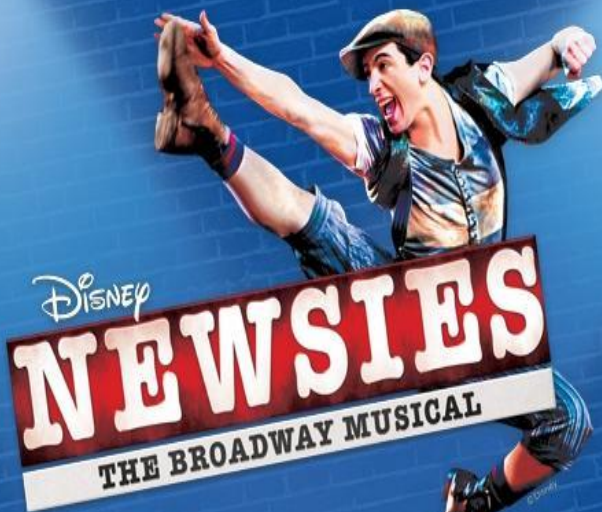


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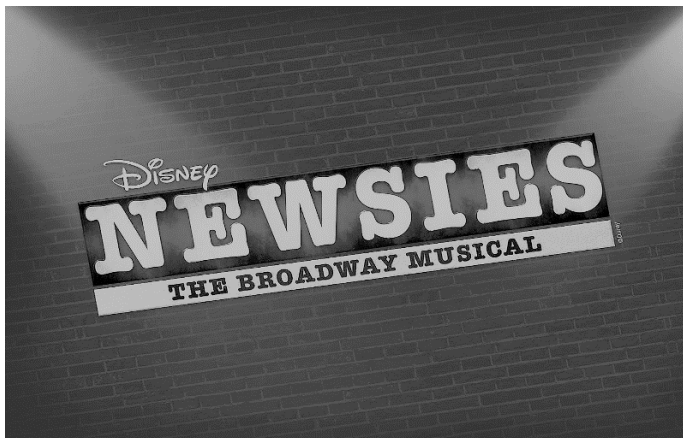
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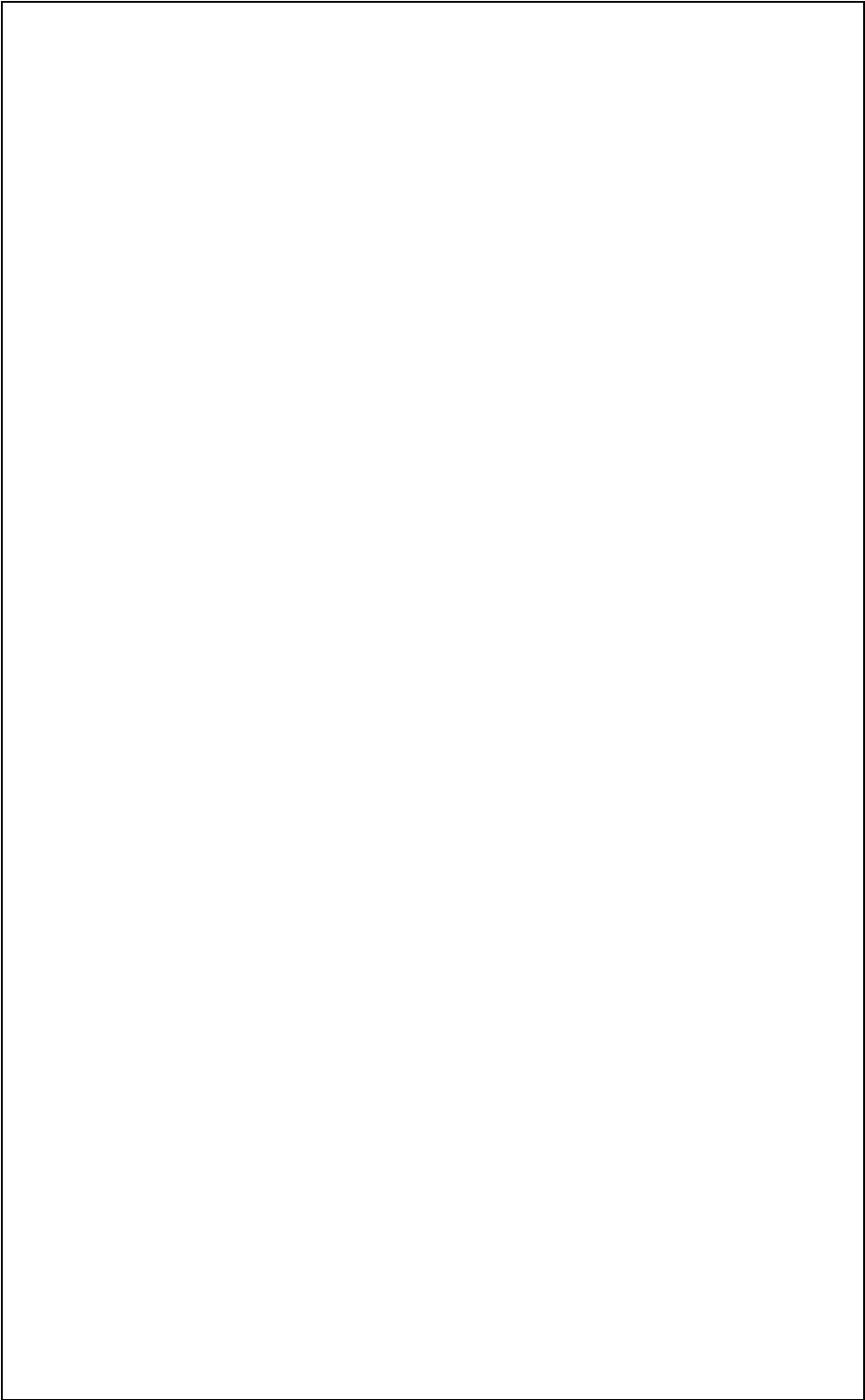
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Asst. Choreographer	Shelbi Sellers
Stage Combat Director/ Production Assistant	Emily Oliver
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Kent Long
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Rachel Thomas
Stacey Thomas

Cast Headshots

Alex Thomas

Banner/Poster Design

Rachel Thomas



Lalanía Vaughn is the Director of Fine Arts for Choral and Theatre activities at Tipton-Rosemark Academy, where she has been working for 22 years. She began her tenure at TRA in 1999 as the elementary music teacher and the coordinator of the Middle and High School Choir program. She currently directs the High School and Middle School National Award-winning Concert Choirs and Show Choirs, as well as, the Middle School and High School Drama productions. In 2018, Lalanía received a U.S. Congressional commendation from the House of Representatives and Honorable Diane Black for her 20 plus years of service at Tipton-Rosemark Academy as Fine Arts Director and her advocacy for the Arts in Tennessee and across the U.S.. In that same year, Lalanía and her husband Cary, were selected as Millington Star's

"Man and Woman of the Year" for their faithful service and leadership roles in the Millington community and the Mid-South area.

Lalanía is a 1992 who's who graduate of Lambuth University with a Bachelors in Vocal Performance. She was the 1991 Miss Lambuth University and represented the University in the Miss Tennessee America Pageant. While at Lambuth, she spent much of her time performing with the Lambuth Theatre Department. Throughout her theatre career, she has performed in over 30 musical productions with such theaters as the Springer Opera House in Columbus, Ga., Springwood Theatre in West Point, Ga., Jackson Theatre Guild in Jackson, Tn., Bellevue Baptist in Memphis, Tn. and most recently Playhouse 51 in Millington, Tn, where she revived the role of "Patsy Cline" in A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline (2011).

Lalanía has been selected six times by the Tennessee Governor's School for the Arts as an "Outstanding Music Educator in Tennessee." She served as President for the West Tn. Vocal Music Educators Association 2014-2016 and is currently serving on the WTVMEA Executive Council and Music Education Council. She is a member of MENC (National Association for Music Education), TNMEA (Tennessee Music Educator's Association), ETA Educational Theatre Association and is a 2012/ 2015 Alumni of the Tennessee Arts Academy for Fine Arts. Lalanía has directed 40 shows with the TRA Theatre Department and she is a six-time nominee for the Orpheum Theatre's "Outstanding Musical Direction" Award. In 2018, TRA's "Crazy For You" under her direction was nominated for 12 Outstanding Orpheum HSMTA nominations and TRA won for "Best Choreography." In Spring 2016, she won the "Outstanding Music Direction" award for TRA's "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers", which was also nominated for "Best Over-all Production." TRA's world-premiere musical "An Evening with the Characters of Pride and Prejudice" under her direction, was also nominated for the Orpheum's 2015 "Best Over-all Production" and "Best Musical Direction" and she was nominated "Best Musical Direction" for TRA's 2017 "Oklahoma" and 2018 "Guys and Dolls." Many of her students have received national recognition in Music and Theatre. Lalanía has two Solo Contemporary Christian CD projects, three American Worship CDs and is a featured soloist on 7 of the Bellevue Baptist Choir CDs. She has been an active member of the Bellevue Sanctuary Choir, Women's Ministry Praise Team and a featured soloist on Sunday mornings for 25 years and now serves alongside her husband in ministry at Community Baptist Church in Rosemark, Tn.

She has been married 29 years to her husband Cary, who serves as CEO of Love Worth Finding Ministries in Cordova, Tn. and Pastor of Community Baptist Church. They have two children, daughter Logan (2011) and son Colton (2016), graduates of TRA. "I thank God for allowing me to work with the incredibly talented MS and HS students at TRA. My desire is to help each student discover and develop their God-given talents, while providing numerous opportunities for them to share those talents locally, regionally, nationally and world-wide for the Glory of God."



Logan Star Vaughn attended and graduated from Tipton Rosemark Academy in 2011. She has been performing since the age of 5, always having a passion for the fine arts, specifically music and theatre. She was a member of the award-winning TRA Show Choir, Women's Choir, Jazz Ensemble, Concert Choir and performed in 10 productions during her time at TRA. Logan has since gained a new love for the direction side, after directing at a private school in mobile Alabama, where she also attended University of Mobile to study Musical Theatre & Vocal Performance. Logan is currently a private voice & acting instructor and loves being back at her alma mater assisting her Mom, Lalanina Vaughn, with TRA Fine Arts.



Rachel Thomas is a graduate of the University of Memphis (c/o 2019), where she obtained her BFA in Theatre with a concentration in Musical Theatre. During her time at the U of M, she performed in seven productions and several vocal cabarets. She has also attended the Open Jar Institute in New York City and has interned with the Orpheum Theatre Group. Rachel is an alum of Tipton-Rosemark Academy (c/o 2015). She now works for Chad Stewart & Associates, Inc., as well as volunteering her time to assist Lalanina Vaughn in the Fine Arts Department. She would like to thank the incredible creative team and cast for all of their hard work, her coworkers at CSA for being so supportive, and her family and friends for their love and encouragement. She would also like to give a special shout-out to her little brother, Alex Thomas, who is a senior and is performing in his final production at TRA. "Alex, I am SO proud of you. Soak up every minute of these performances and remember to always "Seize the Day". Love you, brother!"



Emily Oliver is a graduate of the University of Mobile where she obtained a Bachelors of Music in Musical Theatre and a Masters of Music in Vocal Performance. Alongside performing during her education, she gained knowledge in stage management, set and props design, costuming, and directing. In 2017 Emily signed her first professional contract as a performer at Carey Dinner Theatre in Hattiesburg, MS. Through the South Eastern Theatre Conference, she was presented with new opportunities to travel to New York and Virginia, where she worked at various theatre companies as a box office manager. Emily has enjoyed her time spent working with the students and production team at TRA and hopes to continue building her relationship with TRA's community.



Rachel Vernon is from Bartlett and is a TRA c/o 2012 Alumna. She graduated from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville in 2016 with a Bachelor of Science degree. She has been working with TRA's Fine Arts program for 4 years. During her time, she has choreographed for several shows such as White Christmas, Guys and Dolls, Beauty and the Beast, Addams Family, Crazy For You (HSMTA Award in 2019 for Outstanding Choreography), Bye Bye Birdie, and Grease. Rachel has an extensive background in dance, having been continually training for 24 years. She grew

up dancing competitively at the Dance Academy of Bartlett and continued dancing at UT Knoxville with the BOSS Dance Company. She has trained at various studios over the years including Broadway Dance Center, Millennium Dance Complex, and Ballet Memphis. Outside of choreographing, Rachel enjoys performing in local theatre productions. Her most recent shows include Mamma Mia (dancer, aerialist) at Theatre Memphis, Cats (Tantomile) at Theatre Memphis, and Memphis The Musical (dancer, ensemble) at Playhouse on the Square. She would like to thank God for blessing her every day, Lalanah Vaughn for giving her this lifechanging opportunity, her parents and brother Tyler (TRA c/o 2014), Shelbi Sellers (TRA c/o 2015), and all of the amazing fine arts students for continuing to support her and believe in her - without you all, this would not be possible. Enjoy the show!



Shelbi Sellers is an actress, singer, dancer, and choreographer from Memphis, TN. She holds a Bachelor of Music with a minor in theatre from the University of Memphis where she is currently pursuing her masters in vocal performance. During her time in undergrad, she sang with the Chamber Choir (section leader), University Singers, and Jazz Singers. She often performs as a guest artist with the U of M Southern Comfort Jazz Orchestra. On the stage, Shelbi has performed in 'Little Shop of Horrors' (Chiffon), 'Oklahoma!' (Virginia), 'Mamma Mia!', 'Head Over Heels' (regional premiere) and many more. Shelbi will be seen next in the regional premiere of Something Rotten! at Playhouse on the

Square. In 2015, she was nominated for Best Lead Actress for her portrayal of Elizabeth Bennet in 'An Evening with the Characters of Pride and Prejudice' for the 2015 Memphis High School Musical Theatre Awards. This is Shelbi's 9th show choreographed at TRA. She would love to thank Mrs. Lalanah for yet another amazing project to be a part of, her parents for their constant support, and Rachel Vernon her partner in crime.

Micah 6:8

CAST

Jack Kelly.....	Hutch Dunavant
Crutchie.....	Gavin West
Davey.....	Alex Thomas
Les.....	Ryleigh Kate Hampton
Race.....	Madolyn White
Albert.....	Lily Dischner
Specs.....	Brooke Cox
Henry.....	Emma Bain
Finch.....	Emily Crane
Romeo.....	Cameron Long
Elmer.....	Ellie Lodholm
Mush	Haley Blevins
Buttons	Rylee Ford
Spot Conlon.....	Daniel Craddock
Scabs.....	Eddie Dowden, Olivia Kennedy, Joshua Rickard
Katherine Plumber.....	Savannah Bishop
Wiesel.....	Daniel Craddock
Morris Delancey.....	Nic Neumann
Oscar Delancey.....	Robby Kelley
Joseph Pulitzer.....	Cooper Thorpe
Seitz/Darcy/Guard/Governor Teddy Roosevelt.....	Bryce McLane
Bunsen.....	Cade Harkness, Joshua Rickard
Hannah.....	Emily Crane
Snyder/Nunzio.....	Zakris Vinson
Medda Larkin.....	Gracey Neumann/Maddie White
Bowery Beauties.....	Haley Blevins, Brooke Cox, Audrey Dallas, Lucrezia Orsini, Rylee Ford, Lily Dischner
Stage Manager.....	Eddie Dowden
Scabs.....	Olivia Kennedy, Joshua Rickard, Eddie Dowden
Nuns.....	Gracey Neumann, Savannah Bishop, and Olivia Kennedy
Mayor.....	Joshua Rickard, Cade Harkness
Mr. Jacobi.....	Cade Harkness

ACT ONE

Overture

PROLOGUE – ROOFTOP, DAWN

Santa Fe (Prologue).....JACK, CRUTCHIE

SCENE 1 – NEWSBOYS' LODGING HOUSE & NEWSIE SQUARE

Carrying the Banner.....JACK, NEWSIES, NUNS

Carrying the Banner (Tag).....NEWSIES

SCENE 2 – PULITZER'S OFFICE, AFTERNOON

The Bottom Line.....PULITZER, SEITZ, BUNSEN, HANNAH

Carrying the Banner (Reprise).....NEWSIES

SCENE 3 – A STREET CORNER

The Chase

SCENE 4 – MEDDA'S THEATER

That's Rich.....MEDDA LARKIN

I Never Planned on You/Don't Come a-Knocking.....JACK, BOWERY BEAUTIES

SCENE 5 – NEWSIE SQUARE, NEXT MORNING

The World Will Know.....JACK, DAVEY, LES, CRUTCHIE, NEWSIES

SCENE 6 – JACOBI'S DELI & STREET, AFTERNOON

The World will Know (Reprise).....JACK, DAVEY, LES, NEWSIES

SCENE 7 – KATHERINE'S OFFICE

Watch What Happens.....KATHERINE

SCENE 8 – NEWSIE SQUARE, NEXT MORNING

Seize the Day.....DAVEY, JACK, LES, NEWSIES

Seize the Day (Tag).....NEWSIES

The Fight

SCENE 9 – ROOFTOP

Santa Fe.....JACK

~INTERMISSION~

ACT TWO

Entr'acte

SCENE 1 – JACOBI'S DELI, NEXT MORNING

King of New York.....DAVEY, KATHERINE, LES, NEWSIES

King of New York (Tag)

SCENE 2 – THE REFUGE

Letter from the Refuge.....CRUTCHIE

SCENE 3 – MEDDA'S THEATER

Watch What Happens (Reprise).....DAVEY, JACK, KATHERINE, LES

SCENE 4 – PULITZER'S OFFICE & CELLAR, AFTERNOON

The Bottom Line (Reprise).....PULITZER, SEITZ, BUNSEN

SCENE 5 – BROOKLYN BRIDGE & MEDDA'S THEATER

Brooklyn's Here.....SPOT, NEWSIES

SCENE 6 – ROOFTOP, NIGHT

Something to Believe InKATHERINE, JACK

SCENE 7 – PULITZER'S CELLAR, NIGHT

Seize the Day (Reprise)NEWSIES

Once and for AllJACK, DAVEY, KATHERINE, NEWSIES

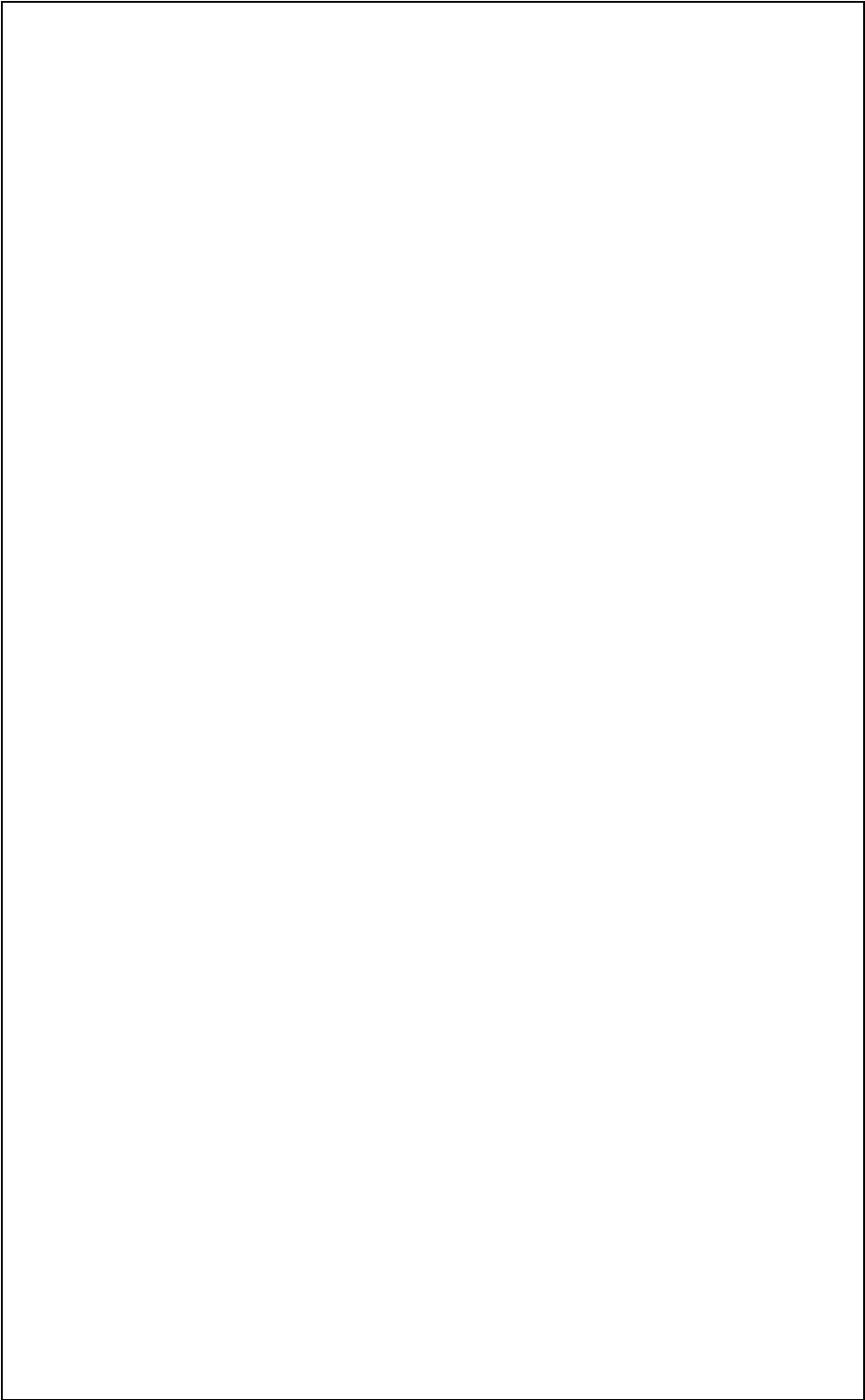
SCENE 8 – PULITZER'S OFFICE, NEXT MORNING

Seize the Day (Reprise 2)NEWSIES

SCENE 9 – NEWSIE SQUARE

Finale Ultimo (Part 1)COMPANY

Finale Ultimo (Part 2)COMPANY



CAST BIOS



Alex Thomas (Davey) is the son of Kent and Stacey Thomas. He is a senior and is excited to be performing again on the TRA stage. He was previously featured as Fred Narracott in *And Then There Were None*, dancer/ensemble in *Beauty and the Beast* (filled in as the Prince for one performance), Jimmy in *Crazy for You*, The Conquistador Ancestor in *The Addams Family*, Hugo Peabody in *Bye Bye Birdie*, Sonny LaTierri in *Grease* (was also the dance captain), and most recently, Captain Hook in *Peter Pan Jr.* Alex is a member of the TRA varsity boy's soccer team and football team, as well as high school show choir and concert choir. He enjoys film making, playing the piano, guitar, drums, bass, singing, and playing sports. Alex would like to thank his family and friends for all of their encouragement. He would especially like to thank his directors, choreographers, and fellow cast mates for all their support and dedication through this entire show. "As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17



Audrey Dallas (Newsie/Bowery Beauty) is an 11th grade student at TRA. She is the daughter of Russell and Julie Dallas. Her middle school performances include *The Lion King Jr.*, *Elf Jr.*, *Alice in Wonderland Jr.*, and *White Christmas*. Her high school performances include *Beauty and the Beast*, *Crazy for You*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, and *Grease*. She is also an active member of the TRA Women's Choir, Show Choir, Student Council, Beta Club, Student Ambassador, Varsity Soccer, and Varsity Cheerleading. She would like to thank her family for all the love and support through everything she does.



Brooke Cox (Specs/Bowery Beauty) is the daughter of Wade and Susan Cox. She is thrilled to be participating in her 9th TRA production! Favorite past roles include Matilda in *Alice in Wonderland*, an ensemble member in *White Christmas*, the Foosa Leader in *Madagascar Jr.*, and Cleopatra (Ensemble) in *The Addams Family*. Outside of theatre, Brooke is a part of the Art Club, Links of Luv, and Drama Club, and is the Student Council Co-Vice President as well as a Student Ambassador. She also plays varsity soccer for TRA. Brooke participates in her church youth group and is a part of Crossnotes Youth Choir. Hobbies include painting, hiking, writing, tap dance and baking. Brooke would like to give a huge thank you to the TRA theatre family for the long hours, dedication, and love they pour into this program, we truly can't do this without you, and to my wonderful family for supporting me! Most of all, thank you Lord for working in this place and people. Enjoy the show y'all!



Bryce McLane (Seitz/Teddy Roosevelt/Police Officer) is the son of Kyle and Jill McLane of Atoka. He is a senior and this will be his fourteenth Fine Arts production at TRA. His previous roles include Mal Beinecke in *The Addams Family*; Harry McAfee in *Bye Bye Birdie*; Sam in *Crazy for You*; Prince Adam (Beast in one show) and ensemble member in *Beauty and the Beast* (2018); Rusty Charlie in *Guys and Dolls* (2018); General Henry Waverly in *White Christmas* (2017); ensemble member in *Oklahoma* (2017); Walter Hobbs in *Elf Jr.-The Musical* (2016); Mufasa in *Lion King Jr.* (2016) and Fred, Scrooge's nephew, in *A Christmas Carol* (2014). He has been selected for All-Northwest Honor Choir for the past six years (2015 -2020) and was selected for Treble Honor Choir in 2014. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Beta Club, high school choir, high school show choir, men's quartet, men's choir; and a member of the Student Council. He has played TRA football for seven seasons, TRA soccer for two seasons, and enjoys video games in his downtime. Bryce would like to thank Mrs. Lalanina, my adopted sister Rachel T, and Ms Rachel V for their dedication and support of the entire cast and to the Fine Arts program. They are an inspiration and role model for each of us. "My concern is not whether God is on our side; my greatest concern is to be on God's side, for God is always right." – Abraham Lincoln.



Cade Harkness (Bunsen/Mayor/Mr. Jacobi) is a freshman at Tipton-Rosemark Academy and the son of Chad and Mindi Harkness of Barretville, TN. This is Cade's eighth TRA production. He enjoys golf, singing, and gaming. "Before you say water is nothing, just ask a fish in the desert."



Cameron Long (Romeo/Jack Understudy) is the son of Kent and Patti Long. Cameron is a freshman, and this is his second high school production. Cameron has been in previous shows such as: in *Grease*, *Madagascar Jr*, *Alice in Wonderland*, and *Elf Jr.* Cameron also plays on the golf team for Tipton-Rosemark. He has also been selected for All West Honor Choir three times. Cameron would like to thank his mom and dad for their support.



Cooper Thorpe (Pulitzer) is in the 12th grade and is the son of Everett Thorpe and Kim Hudson. Newsies will be his 13th performance at TRA. Cooper's previous roles include: Kenickie in *Grease*, Albert Peterson in *Bye Bye Birdie*, Lurch in *The Addams Family*, Bela Zangler in *Crazy for You*, Cogsworth in *Beauty and the Beast*, Rogers in *And Then There Were None*, Harry the Horse in *Guys & Dolls*, Ezekiel Foster & featured dancer in *White Christmas*; featured dancer & ensemble in *Oklahoma*; Buddy in *Elf Jr. - the Musical*; Timon in *Lion King Jr* and Bob Cratchit in *A Christmas Carol*. Cooper was recognized with TRA's award for "Best Actor" for his role as Albert Peterson in *Bye Bye Birdie*, "Best Featured Actor" for his role as Lurch in *The Addams Family* and "Best Supporting Actor" for his role as Bela Zangler in *Bye Bye Birdie*. He was nominated for Outstanding Featured Actor by Orpheum's High School Musical Awards and was recognized with TRA's "Featured Actor" award for his role as Harry the Horse in *Guys & Dolls*. He also received TRA's "Actor of the Year" award for his role as Buddy in *Elf Jr. - the Musical*. He is in the Show Choir, Drama Club, National Honor Society and Beta Club. Cooper is a 5-year member of the All-West Honor Society and a 2-year member of the All-State Honor Choir. Cooper plans to continue his education at Ole Miss in the fall. "Don't submit a silly quote" - Dad



Daniel Craddock (Wiesel/Spot Conlon) is attending his senior year at TRA. Some of his previous roles include Danny Zuko in *Grease*, Gomez in *The Addams Family*, and Mingo in *Crazy For You*. Daniel would like to give special thanks to his friends and family, including (but not limited to) his parents, Mrs. Lalanía Vaughn, Rachel Vernon, Logan Vaughn, and Rachel Thomas.



Eddie Dowden (Medda's Stage Manager/Newsie/Police Officer) is in the 11th grade at TRA. He has been in theater for the past two years. Eddie helped with the backstage crew for *Crazy For You* and also performed as a part of the ensemble in *The Addams Family*. He is excited to be a part of *Newsies* because of the physical and mental challenge it presents to our cast. "I'm glad to be a part of this cast because it will be the last show where I can be with the seniors before I become a senior myself. I'm excited for this play because it really shows what can happen when people unite against one goal and fight for what's right."



Ellie Lodholm (Elmer/Woman) is a senior at TRA. She plays the Newsie Elmer in this production. This will be her fifth show with the Fine Arts program. Besides being involved with the theatre program, Ellie is also the Secretary of National Beta Club and the Vice President and Cofounder of Board Game Club. She is also a member of Mu Alpha Theta and the National Honor Society and has played for the TRA Volleyball team for three years. She has also been involved in Show Choir, Science Club, Spanish Club, Art Club, Links of Love, and will have completed two mission trips after graduation. She currently plans to attend Northwest University in Whitworth, Washington with a major in Educational Studies. She would like to say thank you to her family and friends for all their support over the years. Here's to one last show!



Emily Crane (Hannah/ Finch) is the daughter of Joe and Holly Crane. Emily is a senior and this is her 12th show at TRA. Her past roles include Vera in *Crazy for You*, Kim Macafee in *Bye Bye Birdie*, and Sandy in *Grease*. She is Vice President of Drama Club, Vice President of Art Club, Secretary of Mu Alpha Theta, and a member of the Show Choir, Jazz Choir, Women's Choir, National Honor Society, Beta Club, Student Council, Student Ambassador, Science Club, and Spanish Club. Emily also played on the varsity soccer team for 4 years at TRA. She would like to thank God, her family, fellow cast, crew, and directors for giving her this opportunity and always being supportive of her. 2 Corinthians 5:13 "If we are "out of our mind," as some say, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you."



Emma Bain (Henry) is the daughter of Jason and Amy Bain. This is Emma's seventh TRA production. She has been a featured dancer in *Elf Jr.*, Petunia in *Alice in Wonderland Jr.*, Ensemble in *White Christmas*, a Follie Girl in *Crazy for You*, Ensemble in *Bye Bye Birdie*, and Cha Cha in *Grease*. Emma is also involved in various clubs at TRA which include Student Council (Secretary), Links of Luv, Spanish Club, Beta Club, National Honor Society, and Student Ambassadors. She also plays varsity soccer. Emma would like to thank Mrs. Lalanía for allowing her to participate in such a fun show, and her parents for supporting her in everything.



Gavin West (Crutchie) is the son of Chris and Lori West. This is his 8th production at TRA. Gavin has been seen on the TRA stage as Charlie (*Elf, Jr*), Dodo Bird (*Alice in Wonderland, Jr*), Monsieur D'Arque (*Beauty and the Beast*), Junior (*Crazy for You*), Ancestor (*Addams Family*), Harvey Johnson (*Bye Bye Birdie*) and most recently as Doody (*Grease*). Gavin is a 4 year All Northwest Tennessee Honor Choir and 2 year All State Honor Choir participant as well as being in the HS Show Choir, Men's Ensemble and Concert Choir. When not at the PAC,

Gavin can be found playing Varsity Football and Soccer, creating his own music or fishing. Gavin has won TRA's prestigious Best Featured Actor Award twice; once for his role as Monsieur D'Arque and once for Harvey Johnson. Gavin would like to thank his family and friends for their continued support. "Life is Hard. It's harder if you're stupid." - John Wayne



Gracey Neumann (Medda Larkin) is the daughter of Nicholas and Angelia Neumann. She is a senior and this is her sixth TRA production. Her previous roles include Emily Brent in *And Then There Were None*; Zangler's stage manager in *Crazy for You*; Grandma Addams in *The Addams Family*; Mae Peterson in *Bye Bye Birdie*; and Rizzo in *Grease*. Gracey is Student Council President, Links of Luv President, Drama Club President, Mu Alpha Theta Vice President, a student ambassador, and is a member of Show

Choir, Women's Choir, Spanish Club, Kindness Club, Beta Club, and National Honor Society. In addition to performing, she enjoys volunteering, spending time with family and friends, and leading worship in church. Gracey would like to thank her family, Mrs. Lalanía, Logan Vaughn, Rachel Thomas, Rachel Vernon, Shelbi Sellers, and all of the FAME members for their love and support throughout the show. 1 Corinthians 10:31



Haley Blevins (Mush/Bowery Beauty/Nun) is the daughter of Alisha and Bret Simonsen. She is in the 9th grade. This will be Haley's seventh TRA Fine Arts production. Haley is a Student Ambassador, a member of the Lady Rebels JV volleyball team, HS Rebels track and field team, Beta Club, and a member of HS Choir, Show Choir, & Jazz Ensemble. "I give God all the glory for this opportunity and for allowing me to do what I love. I would also like to thank my parents, Mrs. Lalanía, Ms. Logan, Ms. Rachel Vernon, Ms. Shelby, Ms.

Rachel Thomas, Ms. Emily Oliver and all my fellow cast members for your love, encouragement, laughs, and support!"



Hutch Dunavant (Jack Kelly) is the son of Mike and Marianne Dunavant. He is in the 12th grade and enjoys doing many things. The list includes playing guitar, playing golf, and of course, singing. This is his 15th production with TRA. Hutch is in the high school Show Choir and has made the All-Northwest Honor Choir 6 times and has made the All-State Honor Choir 3 times. He is a part of many clubs at TRA including the Student Council, Beta Club, Drama Club, Spanish Club, and Science Club. Hutch

played varsity golf his Senior year. Hutch has also been Class President of the Class of 2021 since 8th grade. Hutch has played many parts in TRA productions including Pumba in *The Lion King Jr*, Ensemble in *Oklahoma The Musical*, Micheal Hobbs in *Elf the Musical Jr*, Ed Sullivan and Mr. Snoring Man in *White Christmas*, Nicely-Nicely Johnson in *Guys and Dolls*, Stage Crew in *And Then There Were None* and in *Madagascar Jr*, Le Fou in *Beauty and the Beast*, Bobby Child in *Crazy For You*, and Lucas Beinieke in *The Addams Family*, Ed Sullivan in *Bye Bye Birdie*, and Roger and Teen Angel in *Grease*. He also was the sound technician for the middle school productions, *Shrek the Musical Jr.* and *Peter Pan Jr.* Hutch has gotten nominated for the Orpheum HSMTA's twice, once in 2018 for his supporting role of Nicely-Nicely Johnson and was nominated for "Best Lead Actor" in 2019 for his role of Bobby Child in *Crazy for You*. Hutch plans to attend Ole Miss to major in Civil Engineering and focus on Structural Engineering. Hutch would like to thank his parents for constantly giving him anything he needs or wants and always supporting him despite their tough schedule. He would especially like to thank his grandparents for always encouraging him to work hard and be a good Christian. James 1:12



Joshua Rickard (Bunsen/Mayor/Newsie) is the son of Richard and Michelle Rickard of Munford. He is a Senior performing in his 10th TRA production. He is playing the role of Bunson and Mayor in this performance of *Newsies*. Previous roles include Fester in *The Addams Family*, Everett in *Crazy for You*, Fake Santa in *Elf Jr.*, a chorus member in *Oklahoma*, Mission Band member in *Guys and Dolls*, the Train Conductor in *White Christmas*, Maurice in *Beauty and the Beast*, and Roger in

Grease. He is a member of the TRA Show and High School Choirs, he has been selected in the All-West Honor Choir for the last three years and was recently selected for the All-State Choir and was selected as the first chair. He also was selected for All-National Honor Ensemble. "I thank God and my family for letting me have the chance to go to this wonderful school, having the ability to go on stage and make people happy."



Lily Dischner (Albert/Bowery Beauty) is the daughter of Joe and Lorie Dischner of Millington, TN. She is in the ninth grade and this will be her seventh fine arts production at TRA. Lily previously appeared as part of the cast of *Elf Jr.*, *Alice in Wonderland Jr.*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Shrek Jr.*, *Bye-Bye Birdie*, and *Grease*. Lily was recently in *Grease* as Jan. She is also a member of the High School Show Choir in addition to serving on the student council and playing on the JV volleyball team. Lily would like to thank her mom and dad for always

supporting her and encouraging her in everything she does.



Lucrezia Orsini (Newsie/Bowery Beauty) is a senior from Rome, Italy. This is her first theatre performance and is very excited about the opportunity to be a part of the Newsies cast. Lucrezia enjoys cheerleading, dance and tennis. She has enjoyed her time in Tennessee and is thankful for the memories she has made while at TRA. Lucrezia is appreciative of being able to be a part of so many of the great programs offered at TRA and the kindness of the students.



Madolyn White (Race/Medda Larkin) is the daughter of Tonya and Rickey White. This is her 11th show here at TRA. She has been active in theatre and show choir since the 5th grade. She has been in the following musicals: *Lion King* (Lioness), *Elf the Musical* (Shawanda), *Alice in Wonderland* (Queen of Hearts), *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* (Lydia), *Beauty and the Beast* (Silly girl/Napkin), *Crazy for You* (Patricia Fodor), *The Addams Family* (Dance

captain/Ancestor), and *Bye Bye Birdie* (Alice), *Grease* (Frenchy). Madolyn was selected for Treble Honor Choir in 5th and 6th grade, and All-West Honor choir 7th-11th grade and All-state honor choir 11th. She has been a member of the TRA Show Choir 6th -11th grade and she is also currently a member of the Women's Jazz choir and Women's choir. She was selected Best All-Around in the 2016-2017 school year, Actress of the year in the 2017-2018 school year, and The Helping Hand award for the 2019-2020 school year for TRA Fine Arts. Madolyn also takes ballet at Ballet Memphis. She would like to thank her parents for their unconditional support and love, and Lalan and the team for being her #1 supporters. @mad.o.lynn



Nic Neumann (Morris Delancey) is the son of Nicholas and Angelia Neumann. He is a sophomore and this is his first TRA production. Nic plays football and soccer and is a member of the beta club. He would like to thank his family and directors for supporting him throughout this show.



Olivia Kennedy (Newsie/Nun) is the daughter of Annaleese Kennedy. She is in tenth grade. She is very excited to be in this production of Newsies. This is her third show with Tipton-Rosemark Academy. Previously she was in *Alice In Wonderland* (Ensemble) and *Grease* (Prom Chaperone). She has studied dance for 12 years. Olivia was selected for All West Honor Choir and has been a member of the Show Choir for two years. “Dream as if you’ll live forever, live as if you’ll die today.” - James Dean



Robby Kelley (Oscar Delancey/Bill) is the son of Victor and Diane Kelley. He is a junior at Tipton-Rosemark Academy and is very excited to be a part of his first production at TRA. He is involved with the Beta Club, The National Honor Society, and Mu Alpha Theta. He also plays for the Soccer team and outside of school Grapples for the LCCT Jiu Jitsu team. “I would like to thank my friends and family for supporting me through my first performance at TRA!”.



Rylee Ford (Buttons/Bowery Beauty) is the daughter of Ryan and Cynthia Ford and is in ninth grade. Rylee has previously been in *Elf Jr.*, *Alice in Wonderland Jr.*, *White Christmas*, *Madagascar Jr.*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Shrek Jr.*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, and *Grease*. She is thrilled to be a part of *Newsies*. She loves singing, acting, and dancing. She would like to thank her family and everyone in the TRA theatre program for all the opportunities here at TRA!



Ryleigh Kate Hampton (Les) is the daughter of Amanda and Austin Moody and John Hampton. This is her second TRA performance this year, and Ryleigh Kate is so excited to be performing. Previous roles include Brave Girl/Pirate in *Peter Pan Jr.* and Mrs. Greenway in *Elf Jr.* She held the roles of Wicked Witch in *Wizard of Oz Jr.* and Ghost of Christmas Past in *A Christmas Carol* at Drummonds Elementary. Ryleigh Kate would like to thank her family and friends for their continuous support for her love of theater.



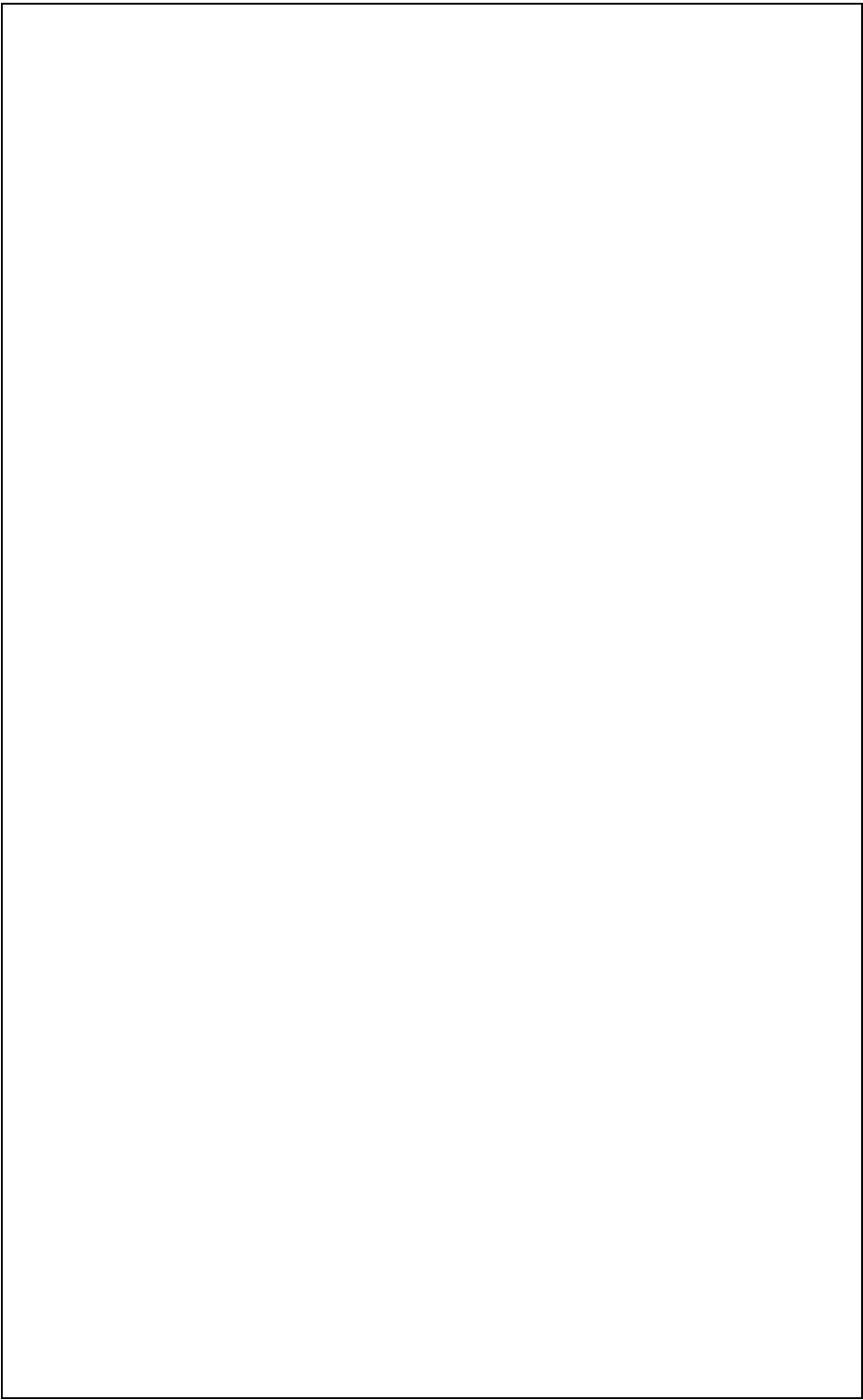
Savannah Bishop (Katherine) is the daughter of Paul and Elizabeth Bishop. She is in the 11th grade at Tipton-Rosemark Academy. *Newsies* will be Savannah's 9th production at TRA. A few of her previous roles include Young Nala in *Lion King Jr.*, Jovie in *Elf Jr.*, and a Follie Girl in *Crazy for You*. Savannah also helped with make-up for *Shrek Jr* and was recently in *Grease* as Marty. She is involved in the National Beta Club, Links Of Luv, Spanish Club, and is a Student Ambassador. Savannah serves as the Vice President for the Student Council.

Savannah has also made All-West for 4 years. She is a member of the TRA Show Choir and has been a part of the TRA Girls Jazz Choir for 3 years. Savannah also plays soccer at TRA. She would like to thank Mrs. Lalanina and her parents for supporting her, and God for giving her the ability to do what she loves.



Zakris "Tiger" Vinson (Snyder/Nunzio) is the son of James and Monica Vinson. He is a senior at Tipton Rosemark Academy and he has attended for three years. He has played three years for the football team and one year for the soccer team. This is his sixth production at TRA. His other roles include backstage help for *Beauty and the Beast*, Billy in *Crazy for You*, lighting crew and Adventurer Ancestor in *The Addams Family*, ensemble and cop in *Bye Bye Birdie*, and ensemble in *Grease*. His hobbies

include parkour, reading, writing, archery, sword and staff fighting, mixed martial arts, and gaming. He would like to thank Miss Lalanina for giving him his opportunities on stage, and his family for their endless support. He would also like to give thanks to the Lord for making anything and everything that he does a possibility. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have everlasting life,"- John 3:16.





BREAK A LEG BRYCE!
We are so proud of you.
Love,
Dad, Mom and Reese

Our dear Emma ... May you always Shine and forever be
Hungry, Holy, and Humble for and through Him!!!



We love you
and so proud,
Mom & Dad



God blessed you with the gifts, but TRA
 Fine Arts blessed you with the love and
 direction to develop your talents. You
 have entertained us all,
 and we are so proud of you!

Dad, Mae, Nana, & Pop Pop



Cooper,

We can't believe this will be your last high school performance. Theatre has been such a wonderful part of our lives since your 6th grade year. Your dedication and accomplishments on stage and in the classroom have made us extremely proud. Keep working hard and great things will continue to happen for you!

We Love You!

Dad & Kim

Mom & Mike

Gracie, Addie, & Reese



Gracey Faith,
We are so proud of all you have accomplished and thrilled
to see you on stage again. Thank you for sharing your
talents and bringing us so much joy. We'll always be your
biggest fans.
Love, Mom & Dad



Nic,
It's great to see you trying something new! We love
watching you on the field and on stage. We're so
proud of you!
Love, Mom & Dad

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**YOU'VE ALWAYS MARCHED TO THE BEAT OF YOUR OWN
DRUM. STAY TRUE TO YOURSELF AND YOU WILL ALWAYS
BE A SUCCESS. WE'RE PROUD OF YOU AND WE LOVE YOU.**

MOM, DAD, ZASHA, ZANNAH AND ZANDER



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Cameron!

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Mom, Dad, & Carli

You will always
be our most
exciting
headline!

Love,
Your Folks





Gavin,

We are SO proud of you! We love seeing you on stage! Break a leg!

Love,

Dad, Mom, Nathan and Logan

*"We must all do theatre,
to find out who we are,
and to discover
who we could
become."*

—Augusto Boal



Seniors,

Thank you for 5 incredible years of memories. From Elf, Jr. to Newsies, you guys have been there for me; supporting me in everything I do. I don't think you will ever know much you mean to not just me, but all of us.

I can't believe this is it, our final show together.

Let's go out there and make this the best show yet!

Break a leg!

From,

~~Your friend~~ ~~Your Best friend~~

Your Brother,

Gavin



A FRIEND
LOVES
AT ALL TIMES



A BROTHER
IS BORN FOR
A TIME OF
ADVERSITY

PROVERBS 17:17



We are so proud of all that you have accomplished!
Can't wait to see what your future holds. Follow your
dreams!

Love you more than you'll ever know,
Mom and Dad



Ellie-

We love you and
have always enjoyed
watching you these past 4
years! Can't wait to see what
the future holds!

~Love you - Mom & Dad

(and everyone else who
thinks you are great -
that list is long!!)



We Love You, Lily!

Can't wait to see you
shine on stage.

Love,

Dad, Mom, and Ella

We are so proud of you!
You amaze us every day!

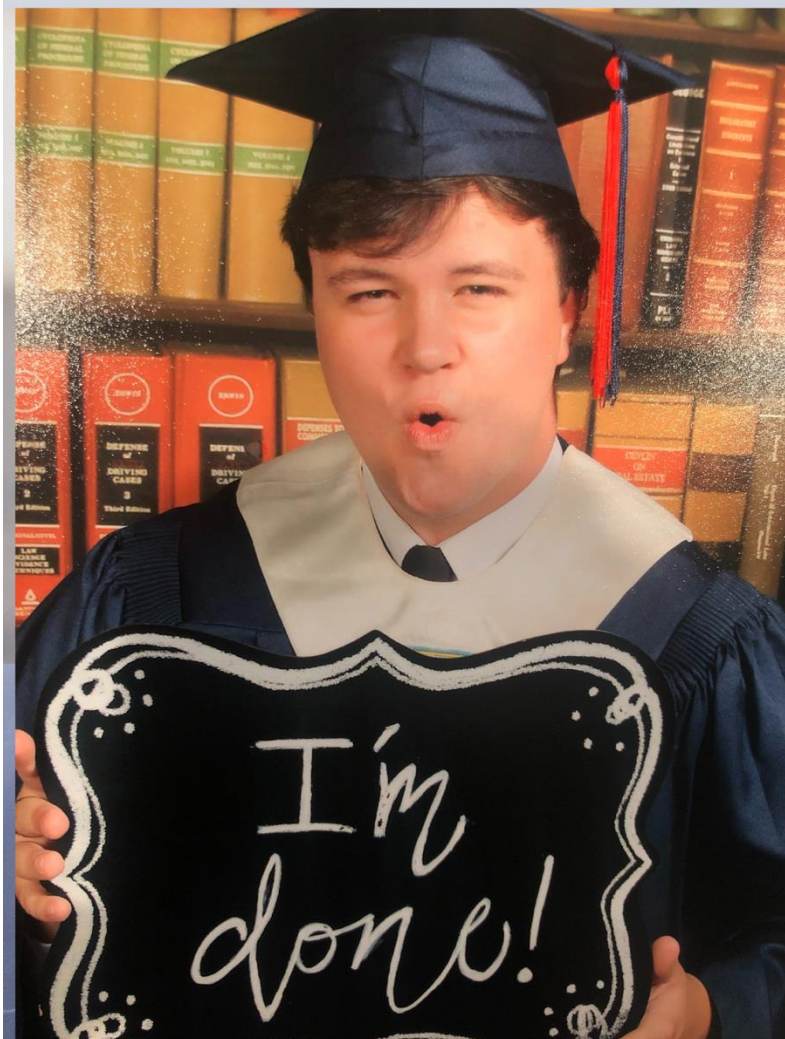
We Love You!

Mom, Dad, and Abbey



IT'S BEEN SUCH AN AMAZING JOURNEY

We are so proud of you!
Love, Dad and Mom





Alex - It's hard to believe this is your last high school show! You have been so much fun to watch and see your talents grow! We are so incredibly proud of you and all of your accomplishments. We cannot wait to see what the future holds. Break a leg as Davey!

*We love you!
Dad, Mom, & Rachel*



Brooke,

"The woild is ya erster!" We can't wait to watch you "Seize the Day!" We love you and we're so proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad & Davis

Emily,
You continue to amaze us both on and off the stage! Keep shining your light for Him! Break a leg!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Bethany & Zachary
Matthew 5:16



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“Thank you”

I thank my God upon EVERY remembrance of YOU! (Philippians 1:3)

- TRA FAME and Cast parents for the countless hours of preparation in assisting set construction, props, costumes, decor, tickets, concessions and MORE...
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- Most important, My Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who saved me and called me to the rewarding job of Fine Arts educator. It is a joy and privilege to work with such talented students, supportive parents and an incredible staff and administration here at TRA!
- <> For HIS Glory, Lalanina Vaughn



TRA Fine Arts is proud of
their seniors and we are
so excited to “Watch What
Happens” as you go out

into the world and “Seize the Day”. Enjoy this
last show together... “one for all and all for one”.

Break a leg, Newsies!