

# The WIZARD of OZ™

Presented By:  
The Gingerbread Players  
of TGV

By L. Frank Baum

With Music and Lyrics by Harold Arlen and E.Y.  
Harburg

Background Music by Herbert Stothart

Dance and Vocal Arrangements by Peter Howard

Orchestrations by Larry Wilcox

Adapted by John Kane for the Royal Shakespeare  
Company

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March 20, 21, 27 & 28

7pm

March 22 & 29

3pm

## From the Director

This timeless treasure has always been one of my personal favorites stemming from childhood. Many of us remember anxiously awaiting Dorothy's colorless world to become one of magical color as she arrives in Munchkinland. More than anything, Dorothy's story is a familiar one to all, as she longs for somewhere to be where there are no troubles. This idea has her coming full-circle to find that the love of family and friends are singularly the most common ingredients of "home." What we can all learn from such a simple moral!

Yet again, I have been blessed in the experience of working with a wonderful cast. Children and adults alike have brought me to both laughter and tears. I am so proud to have had this opportunity to share this story with the cast and crew. My endless gratitude goes to Lois Allbritton, Robin McLendon, Ashley Cooper, Shannon Thomas, Lynnette Kenworthy, Diane Brunston, and Brock Gillard for sharing their talents and helping to put it all together. Countless dedicated hours have been spent by these people and many others to bring this story to life. The costuming and set building assistance of many friends, family members, and cast members is evident throughout the show as well. If you see it, they did it!

My wish for each of you is that you not only enjoy the show, but also that you take away from it a sense of awe from the story that unfolds. Thank you for supporting Gingerbread Players!

Bethanie Bass

## Cast

(in order of appearance)

Dorothy Gale .....	Maggie Tarpley
Toto.....	Chi Chi
Aunt Em.....	Brenda Brunston
Uncle Henry/Doorman.....	David Bass
Hunk/Scarecrow.....	Brock Gilliard
Hickory/Tin Man.....	Shannon Winthrop
Zeke/Cowardly Lion.....	Andrew Thomas
Miss Gulch/Wicked Witch.....	Christie Jo Mayo
Prof Marvel/Wizard.....	Dian Candelario
Crows.....	Karsyn Boyd, Kendall Haden, Katelyn Lancaster, and Mattie Ryan
Old Lady.....	Rachel Hansford
Cow.....	Shelby Stacey
Rowboat Man #1.....	Diane Brunston
Rowboat Man #2.....	Stephenie Austin
Toto.....	Rebecca Lancaster
Glinda .....	Catherine Allbritton
Mayor.....	Chase Cook
Barrister.....	Kaitlyn Allbritton
Coroner/Nikko.....	Aaron Luke Seppala
Three Tots.....	Kendall Haden, Ava Thomas, and Allie Rae Ward
Tough Kids.....	John Laurent Dean, Mark Seppala, and Ashton Williams

Munchkins.....Kamry Boyd, Loughren Haden,  
Kimble Hunt, Madelyn James, Joely  
Montgomery, Kendall Sasser, Gracie  
Tinsley, and Aidan Williams

Apple Trees.....Kaitlyn Allbritton, David Bass,  
and Shelby Stacey

Jitterbugs .....Karsyn Boyd, John Laurent  
Dean, Kayla Martinez, Ava Thomas,  
and Allie Rae Ward

Jitterbug Trees.....Catherine Allbritton, Kaitlyn  
Allbritton, Jackson Anderson, Kalyn  
Cooper, Isabel Kassum, Shelby Stacey,  
and Allison Stangl

Ozians.....Catherine Allbritton, Kaitlyn Allbrit-  
ton, Stephenie Austin, Karsyn Boyd,  
Diane Brunston, Chase Cook, Rachel  
Hansford, Isabel Kassum, Katelyn  
Lancaster, Kayla Martinez, Joely  
Montgomery, Mattie Ryan, Kendall  
Sasser, Shelby Stacey and Gracie  
Tinsley

Guard of Oz.....Jackson Anderson

Winged Monkeys.....Kamry Boyd, John Laurent Dean,  
Kimball Hunt, Madelyn James, Mark  
Seppala, and Ava Thomas

Winkie Guard Leader.....Dallas Freeman

Winkie Guards.....Kaitlyn Allbritton, Kalyn Cooper,  
Bardin Dickson, Allison Stangl,  
Aidan Williams, and Ashton Williams

Cat.....Loughren Haden

## Crew

Director.....Bethanie Bass

Assistant Directors.....Lois Allbritton and Robin McLendon

Musical Director.....Ashley Cooper

Choreographer.....Shannon Thomas

Set Design.....Lynnette Kenworthy

Light Design.....Lynnette Kenworthy

Stage Manager.....Diane Brunston

Assistant Stage Manager.....Sommers Coleman

Publicity.....Brock Gilliard

Lights.....Parker Allbritton

Sound & Microphones.....Danielle Costello

## Special Thanks

Dean Poling and the Valdosta Daily Times  
Valdosta State University Department of  
Theatre and Dance



## Scenes and Musical Numbers

### ACT I

Scene 1 – Outside the Gale Farm

“*Over the Rainbow*” – Dorothy

Scene 2 – The roadside encampment of Professor Marvel

Scene 3 – Outside the Gale Farm/Cyclone

Scene 4 – Munchkinland

“*Munchkinland Musical Sequence Part I*” – Glinda, Dorothy, Toto, and Munchkins

“*Munchkinland Musical Sequence Part II*” – Munchkins

“*Yellow Brick Road*” – Munchkins

Scene 5 – A fork in the road/Cornfield

“*If I Only Had a Brain*” – Scarecrow and Dorothy

“*We’re Off to See the Wizard Duet*” – Scarecrow, Dorothy, and Crows

Scene 6 – The apple orchard

“*If I Only Had a Heart*” – Tin Man and Dorothy

“*We’re Off to See the Wizard Trio*” – Dorothy, Scarecrow, and Tin Man

Scene 7 – Dark and creepy forest

“*If I Only Had the Nerve*” – Cowardly Lion, Dorothy, Scarecrow, and Tin Man

Scene 8 – The Haunted Forest

“*Jitterbug*” – Wicked Witch, Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Cowardly Lion, Toto, Jitterbugs, and Jitterbug Trees

### ACT II

Scene 1 – The gates of the Emerald City

“*Optimistic Voices*” – Ozians

“*The Merry Old Land of Oz*” – Ozians, Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Cowardly Lion, and Toto

“*If I Were King of the Forest*” – Cowardly Lion, Dorothy, Scarecrow, and Tin Man

Scene 2 – The Wizard’s chamber

Scene 3 – The haunted forest

Scene 4 – Inside the witch’s castle

Scene 5 – The haunted forest

“*Winkies March*” – Winkie Guards

“*Over the Rainbow (Reprise)*” – Dorothy and Aunt Em

Scene 6 – Inside the witch’s castle

“*Winkies March (Reprise)*” – Winkie Guards, Scarecrow, Tin Man, and Cowardly Lion

“*Ding Dong! The Witch is Dead*” – Winkie Guards, Winged Monkey, Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Cowardly Lion, and Toto

Scene 7 – The Wizard’s Chamber/Oz

Scene 8 – Dorothy’s bedroom

## Company Bios

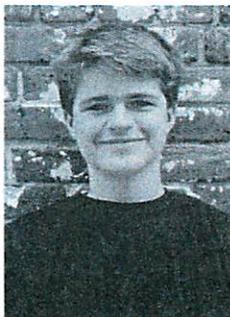
**Kaitlyn Allbritton** is in the 9th grade and is excited to start her 8th year with TGV! See if you can spot her in all 5 of her roles in this production. She loves to be on stage and backstage and would like to thank everyone for all their hard work!



**Catherine Allbritton** is delighted to be playing Glinda, a Jitterbug tree, and an Ozian in this, her 26th play! She plans to continue her passion for acting and music at a university this fall where she will study Music Theatre. She hopes you enjoy the show!



**Jackson Anderson** is glad to be in the *Wizard of Oz*. He loves acting and basketball. Jackson has appeared in many productions such as *Arabian Nights* and *Charlotte's Web*. He loves everybody on set and thanks his directors for the hilarious times they have given him.



**Stephanie Austin** is excited to make *The Wizard of Oz* her first experience with Gingerbread and wants to thank Bethanie for giving her the opportunity to be on stage. You may recognize Stephanie from main stage shows like *9 to 5* and *Into the Woods*. She hopes you enjoy the show!



**David Bass** is an 8th grade student at St. John School. He has performed in several Gingerbread productions including *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe*, *Suessical Jr.*, *James and the Giant Peach*, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, *The Fabulous Fable Factory* and *Charlotte's Web*.

**Kamry Boyd** is excited to be back with The Gingerbread Players for her second play. She is 7 years old and the daughter of Steve Boyd & Kim Boyd of Valdosta. Kamry is in the 2nd grade at Sallas Mahone and enjoys acting, dancing, and playing outside.



**Karsyn Boyd** is excited to be back with The Gingerbread Players for her second play. She is 11 years old and the daughter of Steve Boyd & Kim Boyd of Valdosta. Karsyn is in the 5th grade at Sallas Mahone and enjoys acting, cheering, dancing, and tumbling.



**Brenda Brunston** is delighted to return to the stage in a GBP production, having last played Aunt Sponge in *James and the Giant Peach* for GBP. She also enjoys directing, recent TGV productions include *She Loves Me*, *California Suite*, *Cliffhanger*, and *Leading Ladies*.



**Diane Brunston** is happy to be back onstage – especially with monkeys, munchkins and mutts! Oh my! You may remember Diane from last season in *Dixie Swim Club* or in *California Suite*. Diane appreciates everyone who worked so hard to make this a great show and hopes you enjoy it!



**Dian Candelario** is a high school junior who is currently taking courses at Wiregrass. This is his fifth play with the Gingerbread Players and he has enjoyed every bit of it. He plays basketball and piano when he is not performing. *The Wizard knows you'll enjoy the show.*

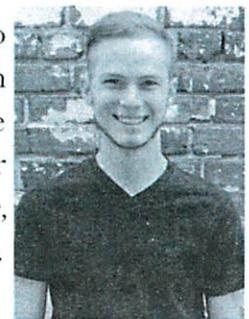


**Dallas Freeman** is in the eighth grade and attends Lowndes Middle School. He plays the drums in his school band, as well as in the LPUMC praise and worship band. This is his third Gingerbread Players production.



**Chase Cook** is a 14 year old homeschool student. He loves the atmosphere of live theatre. He enjoys the pressure of "no do overs". He devotes his time to his school work first, then acting, singing, and tap. Chase plans to major in musical theatre and pursue it as a career.

**Brock Gilliard** is thrilled to have the chance to "follow the yellow brick road" as Scarecrow with this cast and crew! He has become a familiar face at TGV both on and off stage. You may remember him from *She Loves Me*, *9 to 5*, *Kill Me, Deadly, Love, Sex & the IRS*, or *Caught in the Net*.



**Kalyn Cooper** is in the 8th grade at Lowndes Middle School. This is her 6th play with TGV. She has loved working with the cast and being a part of their wonderful production. She hopes you enjoy *The Wizard of Oz*.



**Kendall Haden** is delighted to make her second appearance with TGV. She is in the 4th grade at Westside. Kendall's past performances include "Wilbur" *Charlotte's Web*, "White Rabbit" in *Alice in Wonderland*, "Flounder" in *The Little Mermaid* and "Lucky" in *101 Dalmatians*.



**John Laurent Dean** is 9 and in third grade at Valwood. This is his sixth show with GBP. You may remember him as the lamb in *Charlotte's Web*, or the country mouse in *The Fabulous Fable Factory*. He also played Michael Banks in PSST's performance of *Mary Poppins* last summer.

**Loughren Haden** is overjoyed to join TGV as a "Munchkin" and "Cat" in *The Wizard of Oz*. She is in the 2nd grade at Westside Elementary and enjoys soccer, dirt bike riding, piano, and her friends. She would like to thank her mom, dad, and her sister for their love and support.



**Bardin Dickson** is no stranger to the stage. Coming from a long line of theatre people, Bardin has worked backstage for several shows. He has previously performed in *The Life and Adventures of Santa Claus* and *Annie* at the Hart County Community Theatre.



**Rachel Hansford** is 24 years old and a theater major at VSU. Currently taking a semester off to work, but she keeps doing what she loves here at the Dosta Playhouse.

**Kimble Hunt** is 10 years old and is in 5th grade. She likes to play with her dog, Pickles, and her friends. One of Kimble's favorite things to do is play outside. She enjoys acting. Kimble likes to ride horses. This is her first full play.



**Kayla Martinez** is 10 years old and attends Westside Elementary. She strives to continue to be a straight A student because she wants to be a doctor when she grows up. This is her first theater appearance and she loves it! Her hobbies are singing, dancing, reading and playing Minecraft.



**Madelyn Alise James** is making her stage debut in *The Wizard of Oz!* Madelyn is in second grade at Sallas Mahone School. When she is older she would like to be the first female president. Madelyn is a cute and funny little girl. She enjoys art, reading and writing.

**Christie Jo Mayo** is in her second year at VSU pursuing a degree in theatre. She joined the honors theatre fraternity Alpha Psi Omega after having graduated from VHS where she heavily participated in the theatre club. She's enjoyed playing the Wicked Witch and hopes you'll enjoy too!



**Isabel Kassum** is a 5th grader at St. John School. She enjoys playing basketball, clarinet and violin. She is obsessed with sloths, but also loves all kinds of animals. She has three cats, two birds, fish and a pet rat! This is her first play and hopes to be part of many more productions!



**Joely Montgomery** is excited to be in her first play with GBP. She has attended many plays over the years and always dreamed of one day being a part of The Dosta Theatre. In her spare time Joely enjoys dance, singing and traveling with her family.



**Katie Lancaster** is excited about her 5th performance with the GBP. A 7th grader at VMS, her most recent role was as Chris in *Little Red Robin Hood* with the VMS Players. She also enjoys vocal performance and is a first degree recommended black belt in taekwondo.

**Mattie Ryan** is excited to appear in *The Wizard of Oz*. This is Mattie's second appearance at The 'Dosta, as she was in *Charlotte's Web* last spring. Mattie has enjoyed learning about stage performance and looks forward to participating in many more productions with Theatre Guild Valdosta.



**Rebecca Lancaster** is pleased to return for her 4th performance with Gingerbread Players. Her most recent role was in *The Fabulous Fable Factory*. She's in 2nd grade at Sallas Mahone Elementary. Besides theater she also loves gymnastics and has earned a senior red belt in taekwondo.



**Kendall Sasser** is so excited to be performing with GBP for the second time! After performing in *Charlotte's Web* last year, she fell in love with the "theatre life". The theatre is one of her favorite places to be but...there's NO place like home. Enjoy the show!

**Aaron Luke Seppala** is excited to be in his fifth play. He is in the sixth grade and home schooled. He enjoys piano, soccer, golf, singing, playing with his baby brother, playing with Legos, anything Star Wars, the beach, and going to Disney World. Thanks for coming to see the show!



**Mark Seppala** is so happy to be in Munchkinland with his big brother. He is in the third grade and home schooled. He enjoys piano, basketball, bicycling, rapping, playing with his baby brother, playing the Wii, Disney movies, roller coasters, and going to Legoland. Enjoy the show!



**Shelby Stacey** has been acting since she was five, her first show was *The Wizard of Oz*. She is a Jr. in high school and began homeschooling this year and loves it. She would like to thank Ms. Bethanie for the opportunity to be in her very first show 12 years later.



**Allison Stangl** is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader at St. John School. She is excited about being on stage for the first time. When she's not onstage, Allison enjoys music, reading, sports, and hanging out with her family. She's hoping the theatre influence will help her overcome shyness.



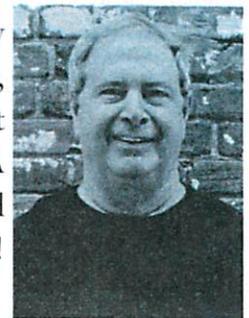
**Maggie Tarpley** is ecstatic to be playing Dorothy Gale, her dream role. She has acted with Gingerbread Players for the past 6 years and dances with The Ballet School. Recent roles include Jane Banks (PSST's *Mary Poppins*), Scout (TGV's *To Kill A Mockingbird*), and Young Fiona (LHS's *Shrek*).



**Ava Katherine Thomas** is so excited to a part of her first production with The Gingerbread Players of TGV. In addition to her new love of the theatre, Ava loves to dance at Dance Arts, play tennis and practice her violin. Enjoy the show!!



**Andrew Thomas** believes that this journey down the Yellow Brick Road will be a forever, special memory for this lion because he's taking it with granddaughter, Ava, in her acting debut! A huge "ROAR" of thanks to Directors, Cast and Crew for taking the wonderful trip with us!



**Gracie Tinsley** is a 13 year old girl who's full of life. She loves laughing just as much as she enjoys making others laugh. She is the Star of her own show and a blessing to those who have the pleasure of knowing her. Her family could not be more proud of who she is.



**Allie Rae Ward** is excited to appear on the stage of The Dosta for the first time. She is a singing, dancing munchkin even when she is not performing. Also, she is an advanced tumbler. Allie Rae has a joyful personality, loves life, and feels there is no place like home.



**Shannon Winthrop**, everyone's favorite guy with a girls name, is new to TGV but not new to the theatre. He was inspired to audition by the performance of Michael Jackson in *The Wiz*. If you haven't seen it, you should!



**Aidan Williams** is 9 years old and attends Moulton Branch Elementary. His past experience with TGV includes several rolls in *Stuart Little*. He is excited to be in this production! Aidan is a big brother to Ashton and his littlest brother Levi. He has an older sister, Adrianna.



**Ashton Williams** is 8 years old and is in the second grade at Moulton Branch with his two brothers, Aidan and Levi. This is Ashton's first performance and is thrilled for the experience and having so much fun!

**Chi Chi** is thrilled to be making her stage debut! She is part Pekingese, part Chihuahua. She loves to lay in the sun and will seize any pillow in sight! Her favorite toy is her piggy and she just loves to snuggle and give kisses. She would like to thank Bethanie for giving her the chance to shine!



## Bouncin

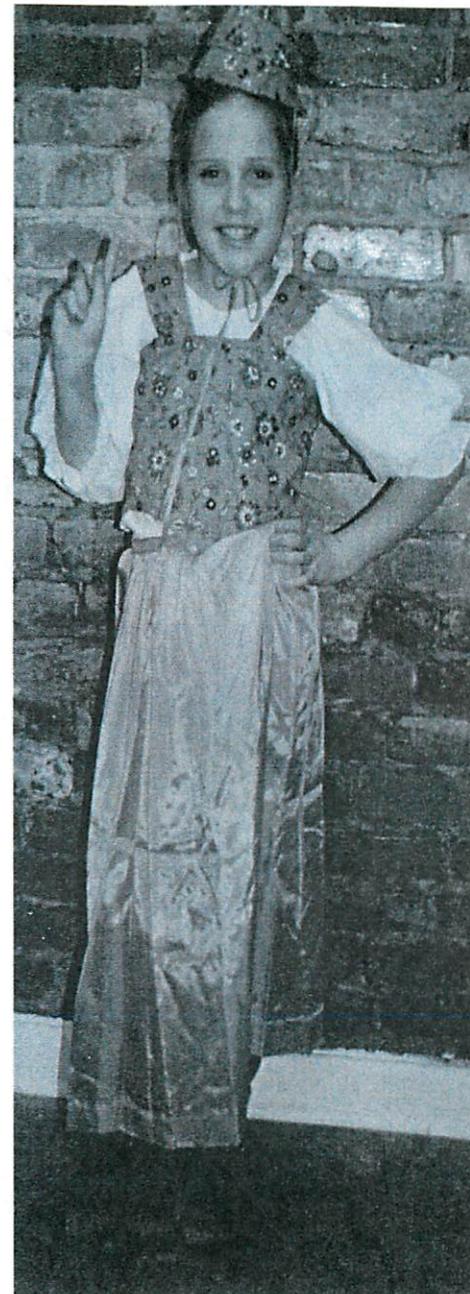
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*We love you, Daddy, Mama & Bub!*



*Kendall,*

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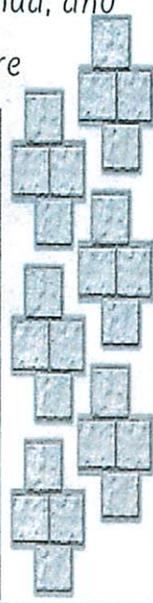
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Jeremiah 29:11

Love, Mom, Joshua, and  
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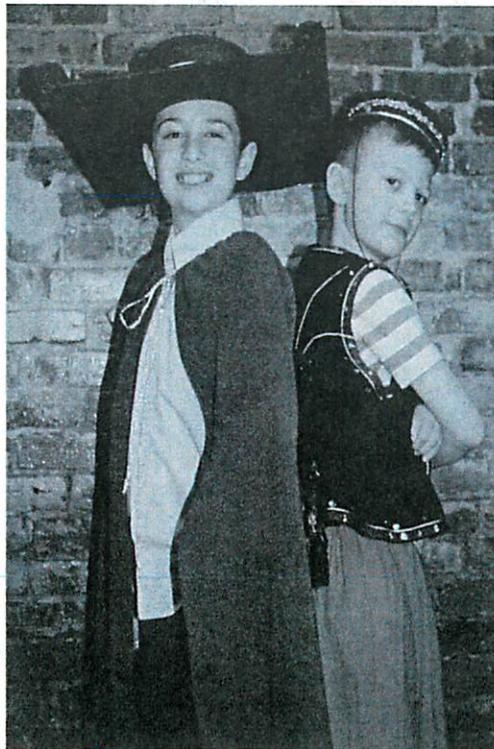
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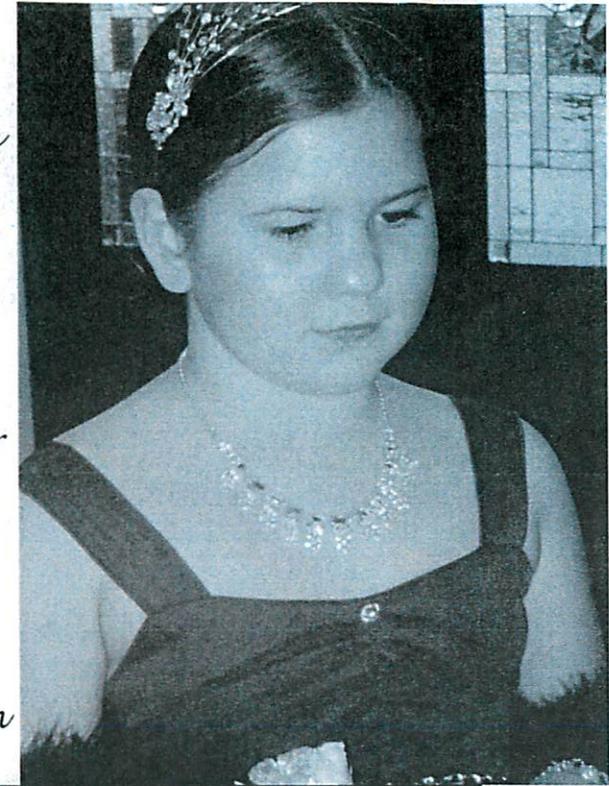
Love, Mom, Dad, and  
Matt



Joely,

we love you and we  
are all very very  
pleased to see how  
excited you are to  
be in your first  
play, wishing you  
all the best on your  
performance,  
remember,  
live, love, laugh!

Papi, Bella and Mom



**You'll always be in our hall of fame!**

**Love,  
Lola & JJ**

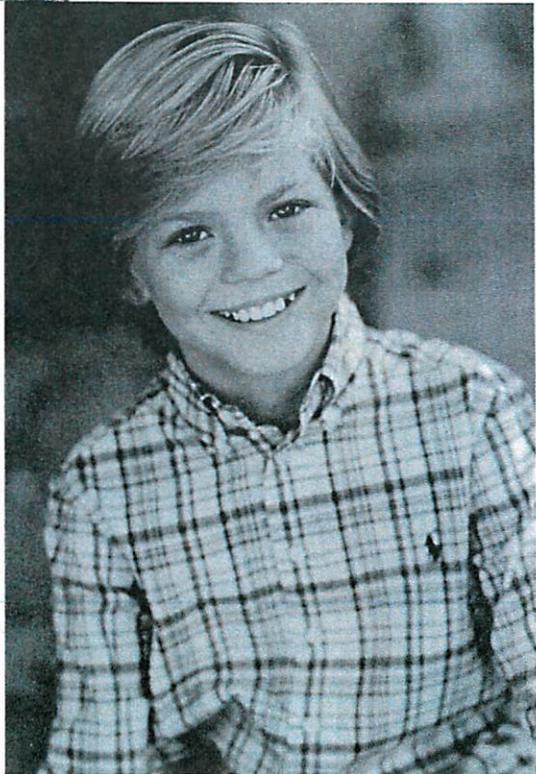


“And the dreams that you  
dare to dream really do  
come true.”

We love you, Maggie!  
Mama, Daddy & Luke

Break a leg John  
Laurent!

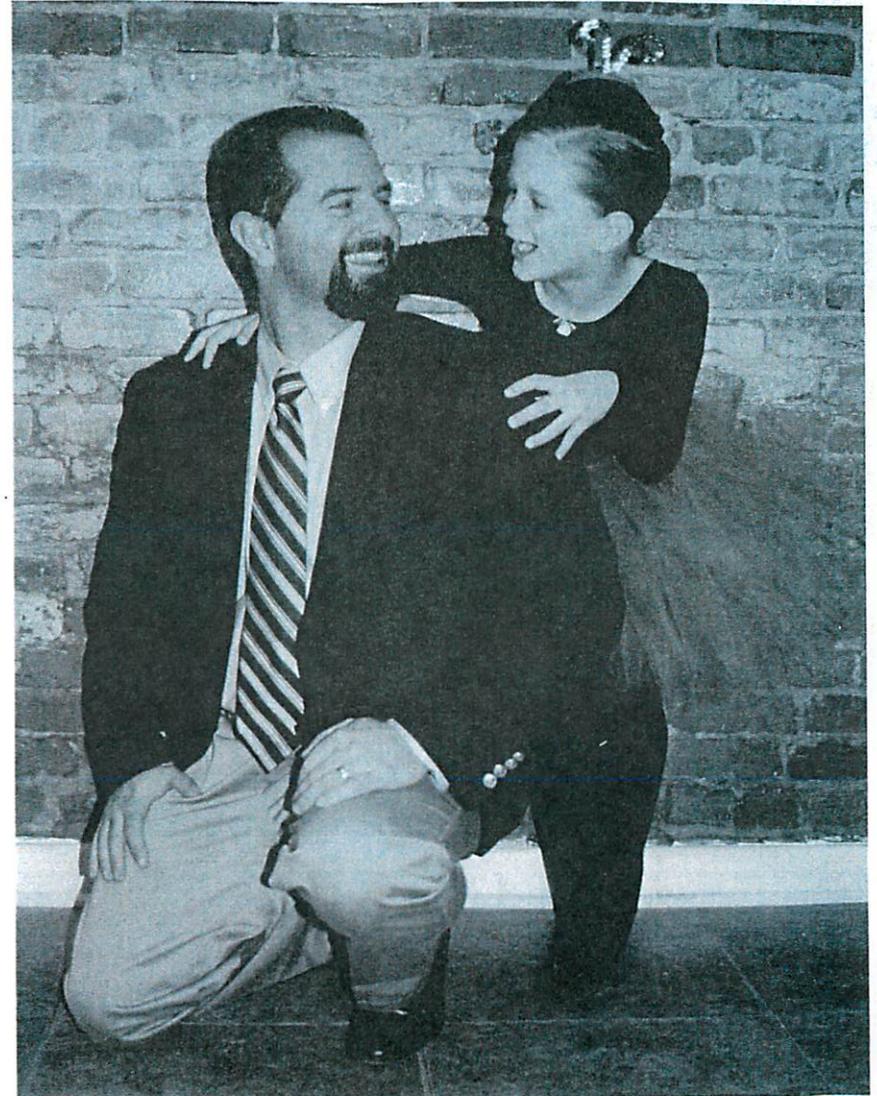
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Meme, Papa, Nana,  
Grandad, and  
Grandmother



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We love you,

Ava!

Daddy, Mama & Drew

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There are parts for 3 male and 3 female adults.

The show dates are May 7-10 & 14-16.

For more information contact the show's director, Diane Brunston, at [dianebrunston@msn.com](mailto:dianebrunston@msn.com).