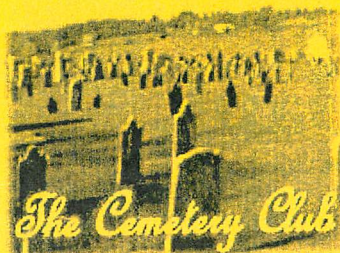


Theatre Guild Valdosta

2004 – 2005 Season



A Musical by L. FRANK BAUM
August 19-22, 26-29,
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A Comedy by IVAN MENCHELL
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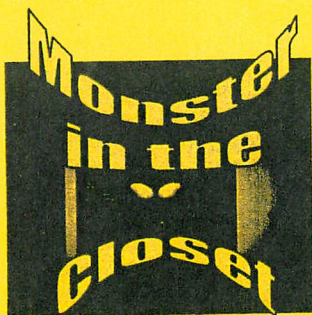
A *Modern* Christmas Carol

Children's Christmas Show
By RUTH ANN PATTEE
December 2, 3, 4, 5

Bah
Humbug,
Dude!



A Drama by John Steinbeck
Jan. 21, 22, 27-30, Feb. 3-5



Children's Spring Show
By ANGELA D. STEWART
March 17, 18, 19, 20



A Comedy by KEN LUDWIG
May 6, 7, 12-15, 19-21

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proudly presents



by L. Frank Baum

With music & lyrics from the MGM motion picture
by Harold Arlen & E.Y. Harburg

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Directed by Pauline Player
Musical Direction by Ricardo Ipina



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THE WIZARD OF OZ Cast

Dorothy Gale	Megan Laffitte	Crows	Kaylan Coker
Toto	Cricket		Megan Culligan
Aunt Em.....	Barbara Bray		Kimber Lovern
Uncle Henry/ Emerald City Guard	Mike Glasscock	Trees	Gabrielle Campiglia
Zeke/Cowardly Lion	Robert Hatton		Brittany Martin
Hickory/Tin Man	Gary Chapman		Suzanne Reffel
Hunk/Scarecrow	Zac Gilbert	Poppies	Madigan Breidenstein
Almira Gultch/ Wicked Witch.....	Sheila Moland		Rachel Hatton
Prof. Chester Marvel/ Wizard of Oz.....	Kendrick Dyer		Samantha McLendon
Glinda the Good Witch ...	Paulette Griffin		Alison Peters
		Ozians	Hannah Trowell
			Kaylan Coker
			Gabrielle Campiglia
Munchkins	Mackenzie Asbell		Megan Culligan
	Dakota Baird		Darrell Dennis
	Madigan Breidenstein		Kimber Lovern
	Marrisa Crouso		Brittany Martin
	Evan Culligan		Reesa Patelski
	Joey Culligan		Suzanne Reffel
Alexis Everitt-Henkels			Jordan Rickman
Jenny Garcia			Pam Rickman
Jeremy Griffin			Katie Schreffler
Rachel Hatton			Hailee Shaver
Kelcie Mackenzie			Daveion Ward
Scot Mackenzie		Winkie General..	Nigel Thompson
Samantha McLendon		Winkies.....	Dakota Baird
Rachel Patelski			Joey Culligan
Alison Peters			Jeremy Griffin
Sam Peters			Sam Peters
Rebecca Reinhard			Loyce Turner
Shelby Stacey		Nikko, Commander of Monkeys	Jeff Lovern
Hannah Trowell		Monkeys	Evan Culligan
Caroline Turner			Sean Petrie
Loyce Turner			Robert Wehling
Jared Wesemann		Jitterbug.....	James-Rouse Carter
Jordan Wesemann		Jitterbug	
		Dancers	Mackenzie Asbell
			Alexis Everitt-Henkels
			Kelcie Mackenzie
			Shelby Stacey
			Caroline Turner

RUNNING CREW

Director	Pauline Player
Assistant Director	Roger Burrage
Producer	Jill Lovern
Musical Director	Ricardo Ipina
Asst. Musical Dir.	Grant Brown
Musicians	Ricardo Ipina, piano
	Grant Brown, keyboard
Technical Director	Scott Lovern
Stage Manager	Larry Culligan
Light Technician	Miranda Petrie
Sound Technician	Jerri O'Neal
Spotlight	Casey Miller
Stagehands	Wayne Eliasek, Kurt
	Petrie, Scott Lovern, Dave Stacey, Shelby
	Miller, Josh Baird, Robin McLendon, Lisa
	Schreffler, Warren Turner, Steve Patelski,
	Cassidy Griner, Linda Reinhard
Props Mistress	Jodi Harbin
Toto Handler	Patricia Stacey
Makeup	Joey Delk
Box Office	Linda Stikkel, Joanne
	Griner, Mary Ann Green, Jody Leonard,
	Diane Tovar, Brenda Carter
Concessions	Amanda MacFarlane
Dinner Theater	Joanne Griner
Ushers	Phil Jones, Ken Kinard

PRODUCTION CREW

Costumers	Marge Pruden, Michelle
	Everitt, Joan Everitt, Hanna
	Everitt, Jane Culligan, Cindy
	Mackenzie, Amber Rickman,
	Laurene Carter, Jack Pruden,
	Fred Stikkel
Set Const.	Scott Lovern, Mike Glasscock,
	Kurt Petrie, Pauline Player,
	Linda Patelski, Wayne Eliasek,
	Dave Stacey, Patricia Stacey,
	Jerry Ellis, Jill Lovern, cast
	members
Set Design	Scott Lovern, Mike Glasscock,
	Kurt Petrie, Pauline Player, Jill
	Lovern
Special Effects Wizard	Kurt "MacGyver" Petrie
Special Artistic Set Design	Linda Patelski
Publicity/Showcase	Jill Lovern, Jody Leonard,
	Sheila Moland, Joanne Griner,
	Megan Laffitte, Zac Gilbert,
	Hannah Trowell, Samantha
	McLendon, Brenda Carter,
	Mary Ann Green, Mike
	Glasscock, Paulette Griffin,
	cast members

Special Announcements



Rebecca Reinhard and Robert Wehling will play the parts of the City Fathers in Munchkinland on the following show dates - August 19, 20, 21, 22.

Musicians include Andy Baxter on bass guitar and Mike Dana on percussion along with Grant Brown on keyboard and Ricardo Ipina on piano.

A beautiful handmade Wizard of Oz quilt can be yours by purchasing raffle tickets for a chance to win it. Cindy Mackenzie and Jody Leonard created the quilt from drawings done by the cast. Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each and the winner will be announced at the final show on September 4. Purchase tickets in the lobby.



SYNOPSIS OF MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

Opening – The Kansas Prairie.....	Musicians, Chorus
"Over the Rainbow"	Dorothy
The Twister	Musicians
Munchkinland Musical Sequence	Glinda, Dorothy & Munchkins
"Ding Dong! The Witch is Dead"	Munchkins
"Yellow Brick Road"	Munchkins
"If I Only Had A Brain"	Scarecrow, Dorothy, & Crows
"We're Off to See the Wizard"	Dorothy & Scarecrow
"Lions & Tigers & Bears"	Dorothy Tin Man & Scarecrow
"If I Only Had the Nerve"	Lion, with Dorothy, Tin Man & Scarecrow
"We're Off to See the Wizard"	Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man & Lion
Poppies Sequence	Chorus, Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man & Lion

There will be a 15-minute intermission between acts.

ACT II

Entr'Acte – Emerald City	Chorus & Musicians
"Merry Old Land of Oz"	Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Emerald City Guard and Ozians
"King of the Forest"	Lion with Dorothy, Scarecrow, & Tin Man
March of the Winkies – Witch's Castle	Winkies
Jitterbug – The Haunted Forest	The Jitterbug, Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Jitterbug Dancers, Chorus
Reprise: March of the Winkies & "Rainbow"	Winkies, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion & Dorothy
Reprise: "Ding Dong! The Witch is Dead"	Winkies
Finale – Farewell to Oz	Musicians
Bows	Company

MACKENZIE PAIGE ASBELL *

*Munchkin Tot (Lullaby League)
Jitterbug Dancer*

Mackenzie is the 9 year old daughter of Anthony & Cassidy of Morven and will be in the 4th grade. Her hobbies include reading, shopping, and being in pageants. In June, she placed 4th in the Little Miss division at the State Forestry Pageant representing Berrien County. She also enjoys modeling, acting, and singing and dancing with the new generation of the local Baby Blue's group. Recently, Mack traveled to New York and met with acting coach Bob Luke. Mack is so excited and thankful to be a part of this theatrical production . . . Her first!

DAKOTA BAIRD *

Munchkin Barrister/Chorus/Winkie

Dakota is a ten year old who was born on July 7, 1994. He is originally from California. He attended a kid's on-camera acting school for a year. He has been in a play before called *Brer Rabbit and His Frogs*.

BARBARA BRAY * Aunt Em

Barbara is an elementary school teacher for the Thomas County School System. She has always enjoyed working on various skits at her school. This is her first experience in a play at the 'Dosta Playhouse. She's very excited!

MADIGAN BREIDENSTEIN *

Munchkin/Dancing Poppy

Although she considers herself a natural born diva, this is Madigan's first appearance at TGV. She is 8 years old and from the great state of Missouri. She attends SL Mason Elementary and enjoys swimming and painting. "I'm special and I'm cute, but mostly I'm a munchkin. Enjoy the show!"

GRANT BROWN

Assistant Musical Director

Grant grew up in Los Angeles, CA and began his musical career singing back-up for Johnny Mathis, Andy Williams, Julie Andrews, and Bing Crosby after which he spent 30+ years as a choir director and voice teacher. After "retiring" from music in 1999, he moved to Valdosta and now renovates old homes for fun and sometimes profit. "TGV is a wonderful creative outlet for which I'm very grateful," says Grant.

ROGER BURRAGE Assistant Director

This is Roger's first time as assistant director, but has been active on TGV's stage in *No Time for Sergeants*, *Dearly Departed*, *Company*, *Out of Order*, and *Guys and Dolls*.

GABRIELLE CONRAD CAMPIGLIA *

Tree/Ozian/Chorus

Gabrielle is 11 years old and is going to VMS. She was in *Cinderella* as Lucy and is involved in Valdosta Strings Program at VSU. This is Gabrielle's first play at The 'Dosta.

JAMES-ROUSE CARTER

Jitterbug/Choreographer

James-Rouse is the 18 year old son of Kenneth and Laurene Carter. He has been on stage for the past 14 years, originally starting with dance at the age of four and has moved into modeling, acting, and playing piano. His first TGV performance was with Ms. Pauline in *Beanie and the Bamboozling Book Machine*, and many remember him as Huckleberry Finn in *Tom Sawyer*, and the butler in *The Little Princess*. James-Rouse ran tech for *Heidi* and *The Reluctant Dragon*. As a senior, he was involved with LHS off Broadway. He studied Russian Ballet in Estonia the summer of 2002 and studied drama intensively the summer of 2003 at North Carolina School of the Arts and is a member of The Thespians. He would like to thank Pauline for letting him have the honor of being the choreographer and would like to thank all of TGV for being such a wonderful group to work with.

GARY CHAPMAN Hickory/Tinman

Gary's back . . . back again! He is Executive Director of Communities in School of Berrien County. Gary has been actively involved in TGV as Cletis Fullermoy in *Lonestar*, Benny Southstreet in *Guys and Dolls*, and Brian Runnicles in *No Sex Please, We're British*. He has enjoyed his "Hunk of Tin" role in *Wizard*. Never take your heart for granted and be careful with power tools!

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Theatre Guild Valdosta Foundation

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Theatre Guild Valdosta Foundation (TGVF) was created to allow the Guild members to create plays. The Guild contributes thousands of volunteer hours, which leaves little time for fund raising. The Foundation is raising funds to maintain the historic, downtown buildings occupied by TGV.

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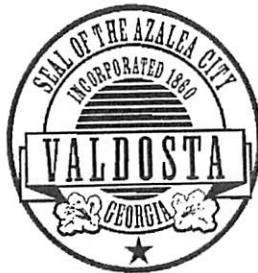
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Dear Theater Supporters,

Theatre Guild Valdosta is very special to me. It is a wonderful attribute to our community's participation in the Arts. Please enjoy the productions, the atmosphere and the fact that all you experience while here is brought to you by volunteers. Your continued support is welcome and needed.

"Break a Leg"

John J. Fretti
Mayor
City Of Valdosta



KAYLAN COKER ✨ *Crow/Chorus/Ozian*
This is Kaylan's first production with TGV. She is very excited about her debut in *The Wizard of Oz* and hopes to continually be involved. A 2004 graduate of LHS, Kaylan has starred in productions such as *Little Women*, *Our Town*, *M*A*S*H*, *It's A Wonderful Life*, *The Boyfriend*, and as Lucy in *You're A Good Man Charlie Brown*. She was awarded All Star Cast for her performance as Medea in the Greek tragedy *Medea* at the 2003 AAAA Region Competition. Kaylan recently performed in the opening number of the 2004 International Thespian Conference and is an International Thespian member. Kaylan will be attending VSU in the fall and will be majoring in Theatre. She hopes that one day her yellow brick road will lead to Broadway. Kaylan would like to thank everyone who has put time into this production to make it such a fun and wonderful experience.

CRICKET ✨ *Toto*
The role of Toto is played by Cricket, a long haired Teacup Chihuahua. Cricket weighs only 4.25 pounds which makes her a perfect dog for Dorothy (Megan) to carry throughout the entire play. Cricket was found as a stray, no one came to look for her at the shelter. She became the property of Lowndes County and was spayed on August 11, 2004. The Veterinarians found her spay to be difficult. Cricket was one sick dog. If she had not been spayed she would have become very ill and possibly died. This is a common occurrence. Please have your pets spayed and neutered; they are healthier and live longer lives.

MARISSA CROUSO ✨ *Munchkin/Chorus*
This is Marissa's first performance with TGV. She has performed in school plays and is going into the 6th grade at Pearson Elementary. She has taken dance lessons for four years and she enjoys singing with her church, reading and swimming.

EVAN CULLIGAN *Munchkin/Flying Monkey*
Evan is a 1st grader at St. John School. He has been involved with other TGV productions as a caroler in *The Rented Christmas* and as an usher in *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. When he isn't hanging around the 'Dosta with his family, he enjoys playing with his hamster and his family's three cats (but not all together!)

MEGAN CULLIGAN *Crow #2/Chorus/Ozian*
Megan moved to Valdosta from Crown Point, IN last year and is a sophomore at Lowndes High. She has appeared on the TGV stage in *Guys and Dolls*, *The Rented Christmas*, and as Martha in *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. Megan has enjoyed singing and performing on stage since kindergarten. She also loves to work on cars and hopes to attend college in Chicago.

JOEY CULLIGAN *Munchkin Mayor/Winkie*
Joey is a 7th grader at St. John School. He has appeared in several TGV productions as Edmund in *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* and in *The Rented Christmas*. Joey plays saxophone in the South Georgia Strings Project.

JENNY GARCIA ✨ *Munchkin*
Jenny is ten years old. She's in the 5th grade at Dewar Elementary. She plays softball - she's no girly-girl. She likes nature. Math is her best and favorite subject in school. Dolphins are her favorite animals. Teal is her favorite color. Her two best friends are Shelby and Adrianna. She loves to eat fruit. She likes art. This is her first time acting at the 'Dosta Playhouse. She has brown hair and hazel eyes. She collects rocks, candles, breakables, and stuffed animals. She likes music, and she loves doing plays

DARRELL DENNIS ✨ *Ozian/Chorus*
Darrell is in the 10th grade at Lowndes High. He works with LHS Off-Broadway but hasn't ever had a really major role in any of the productions. But he knows that good things come to those who wait and he must have patience. This is his first production with TGV. He'd like to thank everyone who made him feel welcome here. It's been great fun working with this lovely bunch of people. He hopes to do it again soon. To everyone in the show... Break A Leg!

KENDRICK DYER ✨
Professor Marvel/Wizard of Oz
Kendrick is proud to make his 'Dosta Playhouse debut as Professor Marvel and the Wizard of Oz. His favorite acting role to date was Bono in VSU's production of Augusta Wilson's *Fences*. Kendrick would like to thank his Lord and Savior, family, friends, sisters, Grace Filled Deliverance Church, North Point, Dr. Shirley Hardin, Tim Lee, and the WOZ production, staff and crew. A special thanks goes to his loving bride, LaShayla, for all that she does. 143!

ALEXIS EVERITT-HENKELS ✨

Munchkin Tot (Lullaby League)/Jitterbug Dancer
Alexis is proud to make her 'Dosta Playhouse debut in Oz. She is a 10 year old 4th grader at Dewar Elementary. She began her arts training at the age of two with the Valdosta School of Ballet, under the direction of Brandi Mackey. Alexis has appeared in their production of *The Little Match Girl*. She was recently featured as Annie in their production of *Broadway, Broadway, Broadway*. Alexis enjoys all forms of dance as well as horseback riding and Girl Scouts. She would like to thank her family and friends for all their support.

ZAC GILBERT ✨ *Hunk/Scarecrow*

Zac is a junior at VSU and is a Theatre major. He has appeared in *The Visit*, *Children of Eden*, *Ah, Wilderness*, and the Cabaret scholarship fundraisers. The *Wizard of Oz* is his first Theatre Guild performance. Zac would like to thank everyone involved with the show for their hard work and dedication and, as always, his family and friends for their endless support.

MIKE GLASSCOCK

Uncle Henry/Emerald City Guard
Mike has been involved in TGV since 1996. He and his family have grown up on stage. Ok, well he's still dragging his feet. On stage or off, the entire family has enjoyed theatre and wants to share with the community. He has been in several productions and hopes for more.

PAULETTE GRIFFIN ✨

Glinda the Good Witch
Paulette is the mother of 3 sons, an evangelist and minister of music at Greater Faith Ministries and manager of First American Cash Advance in Valdosta. Paulette's classical and symphonic training has opened the doors to touring abroad as a friendship ambassador for the US. She has entertained troops throughout the US and overseas during her military career. Previous theatrical performances include Lucy & musician in *You're A Good Man Charlie Brown*. Local performances have included *The Decision* and *The Birth* where she showcases acting, directing, and vocal skills. Paulette is currently working on her first gospel CD and hopes to release it within 2004.

JEREMY GRIFFIN ✨

Munchkin Tough Guy/Chorus/Winkie
Jeremy is 11 years old and the son of Paulette Griffin. He is in the 6th grade at JL Newbern Middle School. Jeremy has previously performed in *The Decision* for two years and several choral concerts within the Valdosta City School System. Jeremy has expressed interest in becoming a surgeon so he can help people.

RACHEL HATTON ✨

Munchkin/ Dancing Poppy
Rachel is six years old and is a 1st grader at Parker-Mathis. She is the daughter of the Cowardly Lion. Rachel made her dramatic debut last spring as the "dead girl" in Park Avenue Methodist Church's Easter production of *God Hath Provided the Lamb*.

ROBERT HATTON *Zekel/Cowardly Lion*
Robert has been a resident of Valdosta for 10 years and is the owner of the Medicine Shoppe Pharmacy. He is married to Kim and they have three children – Sarah, Rachel, and Joshua. Previous plays at TGV include *Arsenic and Old Lace*, *Night of January 16th*, *Run for Your Wife* and *Dearly Departed*.

RICARDO IPINA Musical Director
Last seen on stage in last year's TGV production of the musical *Guys and Dolls* as Sky Masterson. A veteran of the TGV family, he has also appeared as Pseudolus in *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* and Billy in *Anything Goes*, two of his favorite roles. Normally, he is the Theater Arts teacher at Valdosta High School and choral director at St. John's Catholic Church. Abnormally, he enjoys being a part of TGV!

✨ 'Dosta Debut



MEGAN LAFFITTE ✨ *Dorothy Gale*

Megan comes to Georgia and the 'Dosta Playhouse by way of South Carolina. Megan is an Air Force kid and proud of it. Megan has been active in school and community theater, chorus, and band for the last four years. While in SC, she was involved in *Reach* – a summer drama program and Sumter Little Theatre. Since coming to Valdosta, she has been very active in LHS's drama club Off-Broadway where she recently performed as Linus in *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*, and as Josephine, the older Jo, in *Little Women*. Megan loves performing - either acting or voice. One of her favorite mottos is "Acting, it's a stage I'm going through." She hopes a lifelong stage!

JEFF LOVERN *Nikko the Monkey Commander*
Jeff's previous roles were as Samuel in *The Reluctant Dragon* and Tom Tucker in *Mrs. Claus' Tiny Tales*. Having fun is the coolest thing about doing plays and being a monkey is awesome because he usually acts like that all the time anyway.

JILL LOVERN *Producer/Publicity*
Jill began as a chauffer for her daughter Kimber to rehearsals as *Heidi* in the TGV production two years ago. Since, she's joined the board of directors as Publicity Chair and is a bona fide theatre junkie. Working on *Oz* was to-tally ozsome except for the Technical Director. Jill's whole family is involved in this play and she is thankful for that. Thanks to Scott for allowing her to satisfy her creative requirements. "I'm not crazy, I'm creative."

KIMBER LOVERN *Crow/Ozian/ Chorus*
There's no place like two homes and Kimber's other is the 'Dosta Playhouse. She began as *Heidi* in TGV's March 2002 production. She has since acted in *Mrs. Claus's Tiny Tales*, and *The Reluctant Dragon* as Ermengarde. Backstage credits include light tech for *Arsenic and Old Lace*, *Guys & Dolls*, *Sherlock's Last Case* and *Steel Magnolias*. She loves theatre because she can portray different people, wear funky costumes, makeup, and it's really neat.

SCOTT LOVERN *Technical Director*
After being kicked in the head by a donkey, Scott decided to take on *Oz*. Scott wishes to thank the team behind the scenes that made the technical aspect of this show one more character. Previous plays he's worked on include many productions. Working with the Producer was the biggest challenge of all.

KELCIE MACKENZIE

Munchkin Braggart/ Jitterbug Dancer
Kelcie is 10 years old and is going into the 5th grade at Dewar Elementary. This is her second production at the 'Dosta Theatre. She was in *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. She loves to dance and act.

SCOT MACKENZIE

Munchkin Tough Guy/Chorus
Scot is a 3rd grader at Dewar Elementary. This is his second production at the 'Dosta Playhouse.

BRITTANY MARTIN *Tree #1/Ozian/Chorus*
Brittany is the 14 year old daughter of Sandra Boyer. She is in 9th grade at Valdosta High. She made her 1st appearance at TGV in *The Reluctant Dragon*. Brittany's hobbies include beauty pageants, singing, and playing the piano. She is an honor student, but most of all she loves to act.

SAMANTHA MCLENDON

Munchkin Teacher/Dancing Poppy
Samantha is 8 years old and has appeared in three previous TGV productions. She debuted as Mary, Mary Quite Contrary in *Mrs. Claus' Tiny Tales*, followed by Julia in *The Reluctant Dragon* and finally as The Christmas Elf in *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. She has participated in several VSU acting camps, has danced since the age of two, and is a brown belt in Twa Kwon Do.

SHEILA MOLAND

Wicked Witch of the West/Almira Gultch
After a six-year hiatus, Sheila is returning to the 'Dosta Playhouse, this time as the Wicked Witch. Her last appearance was also as a witch in *Beanie and the Bamboozling Book Machine*. Sheila's previous performing credits include a wide variety of music and stage productions, including *Winnie the Pooh*, *Showboat*, *Cinderella*, and *Kiss Me Kate*. She feels incredibly fortunate and honored to have a role in this much loved children's classic. She would like to send a sincere "thank you!" to her family and friends who support her in her love of community theatre and music. P.S. Her husband says she was born to play this role!

✨ 'Dosta Debut



RACHEL PATELSKI ✨ *Munchkin Coroner*
Rachel is new to the 'Dosta Theatre stage. Just turning six in August, she is one of the youngest cast members. First time actress, losing her first tooth, going into the 1st grade; big things are happening for Miss Rachel this year!

REESA PATELSKI ✨ *Ozian*

Reesa is a freshman at Valdosta High School with an interest in theatre and the arts. She is a natural at acting. Reesa is new to the TGV stage.

ALISON PETERS ✨

Munchkin Teacher/ Dancing Poppy
Alison is in the 3rd grade at St. John Catholic School and is making her debut on the 'Dosta stage. Although she considers herself the athlete of the family, she is determined to do whatever her big brother Sam is doing. This includes acting.

SAM PETERS ✨ *Munchkin Tough Guy/ Winkie*
Sam is a 5th grader at St. John Catholic School. This is his first play with the Theatre Guild. He enjoys music of all kinds which include piano, viola, and trombone. He has performed in three tap recitals. His other hobbies include running, swimming, and biking.

SEAN PETRIE ✨ *Flying Monkey*

Sean is a 5th grade honor roll student at Dewar Elementary and a 2nd year Webelos scout in Cub Scout Pack 454 in Valdosta. He is an avid video game fan and has enjoyed helping build the set and props that helped us bring *OZ* to life on the stage today. He has especially enjoyed seeing the "pyro" effects developed and tested for this production. This is Sean's first appearance in live theater.

PAULINE PLAYER *Director*

Pauline has enjoyed numerous roles both on stage and behind the scenes with Theatre Guild Valdosta over the last 9 years. Some of her favorites were playing the Rev. Mother in *Nunsense*, Bonnie in *Anything Goes*, Lavinia Penniman in *The Heiress*, Mother in *Dear Ruth*, Lady in Waiting in *Once Upon a Mattress*, Merline in *Dearly Departed*, and Sarah Brown in *Guys and Dolls*. Directing credits include *Beanie and The Bamboozling Book Machine*, *Christmas Crisis at Mistletoe Mesa*, *The Reluctant Dragon*, *The Odd Couple*, *Proposals*, *Dearly Departed*, and *No Sex Please, We're British*. Costuming credits – *Kiss Me Kate*, *My Fair Lady*, *Sherlock's Last Case*, *Little Shop of Horrors*. I am thrilled to be part of TGV and have the opportunity to work with so many diverse and talented people.

MARGE PRUDEN *Head Costumer*
Marge followed her husband Jack to Theatre Guild Valdosta, first working on costumes for *Winnie the Pooh* in April 1995. This was followed by the monumental costuming job for *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* later that year and the rest is history. She has been a TGV costumer every since, participating particularly in the annual musicals and children's shows. As a mother of 4, grandmother of 9, and great-grandmother of 7, working with young people comes naturally to her. She hopes that everyone will enjoy the magical trip to the Land of Oz.

SUZANNE REFEL *Tree #3/Chorus/Ozian*
Suzanne is a freshman at LHS. She has played Sara Crewe in *A Little Princess* and also appeared in *Tom Sawyer*, *The Lion, the Witch and The Wardrobe*, *Jack and the Beanstalk*, and *Once Upon a Mattress*. Suzanne had a lot of fun working with the great cast and crew of *Wizard of Oz*.

REBECCA REINHARD ✨

Munchkin/ Jitterbug Dancer
Rebecca is a 10 year old 5th grader at West Gordon Elementary and is the daughter of Linda and Herb Reinhard. She has danced for 5 years at Gerlock Dance Studio. She enjoys reading, swimming, & playing softball. This is Rebecca's first production at TGV.

JORDAN RICKMAN ✨ *Ozian/Chorus*

Jordan is a 7th grader at St. John School. His interests are reading and playing the trombone in the school band. He plans to be an engineer or naturalist some day. This is his first involvement with community theatre.

PAM RICKMAN ✨ *Ozian/Chorus*

Pam is a wife and mother who teaches middle school at St. John Catholic School. Although she participated in community theatre in her "long ago" youth, this is her first involvement in Valdosta.

KATIE SCHREFFLER *Ozian*

Katie is a 5th grader at Hahira Elementary. She has been in at least 5 performances at church and also school plays and choir shows. This is her 2nd TGV play. Her first was *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. She loves acting, sports, and animals. Katie thinks the *Oz* cast is wonderful and hopes to be in other performances with them.

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Upcoming Auditions



A Comedy by IVAN MENCHELL

Ida, Lucille, and Doris, three New York widows whose longtime friendship grows even deeper after the deaths of their husbands. They meet each week at the cemetery to visit their husbands' graves and seek consolation from each other. What happens when one of them meets an attractive widower?

Audition dates to be announced
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HAILEE SHAVER *Ozian/Chorus*
Hailee is 12 years old and was born May 5, 1992. She loves to be in plays. They are really fun since she gets to act like other people. Sometimes she wishes the play was true like it was how her life was. She also likes to play sports like softball, football, swimming, kickball, and basketball. She likes to draw and paint and color too. She goes to Lowndes Middle School and is in the 7th grade. In 5th grade she won a Drug Free essay and in 6th grade she won the Drug Free Rap!

SHELBY STACEY *

Munchkin/Jitterbug Dancer

Shelby is 6 years old and the daughter of David and Patricia Stacey. This summer has been very busy for Shelby as she traveled to South Florida, up to Michigan, where she met her great grandpa for the first time and back home to Valdosta. To finish off her busy summer she will be making a final stop at the 'Dosta Playhouse where she will make her big debut with a dual role! So enjoy watching her as she sings and dances her way into your heart.

NIGEL THOMPSON * *Winkie General*

Nigel has been involved in high school theater for five years at Lowndes High. This is his first production at the 'Dosta Playhouse but not the last. He plans to attend VSU in the fall and major in Theatre.

HANNAH TROWELL *

Munchkin/Dancing Poppy

Hannah, 7 years old, is the daughter of Sam and Sandy Trowell. This is her first production. She has performed in a ballet, tap, and jazz recital at The Valdosta School of Ballet. Hannah has also taken two *Lights, Camera, and Action* drama camps through Valdosta State's Continuing Education Department. She enjoys gymnastics and reading, but her favorite activity is dancing.

CAROLINE TURNER

Munchkin Tot (Lullaby League)/Jitterbug Dancer

Caroline is nine years old and is going into the 4th grade at St. John's Catholic School. This is her 4th production at the 'Dosta Playhouse and she loves gymnastics and acting.

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LOYCE TURNER *Munchkin/Winkie in Training*
Loyce Turner, III is 6 ½ years old and will be a 1st grader at St. John Catholic School this fall. He loves all sports. He has a dog named Chief. This is his 2nd play at TGV and he also appeared in the production of *Titanic* at the Mathis Auditorium.

DAVEION WARD * *Ozian*

Daveion is the 15 year old daughter of David and Ruth Ward. She is in the 10th grade at Valdosta High School. She is a junior varsity and competition cheerleader. Daveion's hobbies are dancing, drawing, exercising, meditating, and voice-over acting. Daveion is a Who's Who Among American High School Students. After high school, Daveion will attend college and major in video/film production or computer animation.

ROBERT WEHLING *Flying Monkey /Chorus*

Robert's past TGV credits include Jon in the production of *The Reluctant Dragon*. He loves baseball, theatre and is a terrific big brother. His hobbies are hunting, fishing scouting. He will be in the 6th grade at VMS and is going to be in civil air patrol. His most prized possession is a Pete Rose signed baseball #4256 that his grandfather got for him.

JARED WESEMANN

Munchkin Town Father

Jared enjoys acting with his twin brother Jordan, and they have nearly identical resumes. This is Jared's third performance at the 'Dosta Theatre and he has been in six stage productions including *Rumplestiltskin*, *E-I-E-I-Oop!*, and *Red Riding Hood*. He was last seen on television in a Wild Adventures commercial, and recently auditioned for a major motion picture. Jared is looking forward to working with his agent in Miami. You can get paid for having this much fun?!

JORDAN WESEMANN

Munchkin Town Father

This is Jordan's sixth stage production—third at the 'Dosta Theatre including *Mrs. Claus' Tiny Tales* and *A Rented Christmas*. This past spring, Jordan was in a Wild Adventures TV commercial. He has enjoyed acting so much he took his talent to Miami and gained representation by an agent. He recently auditioned for a major motion picture. We look forward to seeing him on the big screen one day!

Show Sponsorships

The following have generously donated to *The Wizard of Oz* to make it a memorable production. TGV applauds these wonderful patrons!

Marvelous Munchkins

To our favorite munchkin sister, Rachel!
Love, Sarah and Josh Hatton

To our little munchkin Marissa! We love you.
Love, Mom & Ken

A job well done to all the Munchkins from
Amanda MacFarlane.

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To Caroline and Loyce Turner from Mom & Dad
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Best Witches,
Sheila!



With love, from your
family & friends.

Director's Notes

The production of this show will be one of my most treasured memories in the years to come. My first role in a play was as Dorothy when I was a sophomore in high school. I never dreamed that one day I would have the honor of directing this show and the privilege of working with such an overwhelmingly talented cast and crew.

At every turn, talents have been stretched beyond anything a cast or crew could imagine. My sincere thanks to each of you for your dedication, talent, enthusiasm and just plain hard work in making this beloved classic come alive on our stage.

Special thanks to Jill, Roger, Scott, Kurt, Larry, Linda, Mike, Wayne, David, Patricia, Miranda, Jerri, Casey, Ricardo, Grant, James, Donna, Marge, Michelle, Joanie, Cindy, Jane, Laurene and Jack who have spent countless hours making the technical aspect of this production a spectacular event.

A finer cast has never been put together as what we have for this show. Each one has brought their own love for "The Wizard of Oz" to the character they are playing. From the beginning they have endeavored to make this the best show ever presented on the TGV stage. Thank you cast.

Heartfelt thanks also go to those of you who took over some of my board responsibilities in order to enable me to focus on directing the show.

As always, we hope you enjoy watching the show as much as we have enjoyed bringing it to you.

~~Pauline Player



Lyman Frank Baum (1856-1919) noted : " I have learned to regard fame as a will-o-the-wisp, which when caught, is not worth the possession; but to please a child is a sweet and lovely thing that warms one's heart and brings its own reward." With *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*, Baum won the fame that had eluded him in his early careers. By the time he died in 1919, Baum had written thirteen other books set in Oz.

Thank You Very Much!

The cast and crew of *The Wizard of Oz* wish to extend many thanks for the following contributions to our show:

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History

TGV was organized in 1989 through the efforts of the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission as an autonomous community theater group with non-profit tax-exempt status. After three years as a group of vagabond players with no home, the group purchased the old 'Dosta Theatre building in 1992 and set about converting the dilapidated movie theatre into a playhouse for live stage performances. Thanks to many supporters and one large benefactor, TGV now owns three adjoining buildings in historic downtown Valdosta. The all-volunteer group produces four main stage shows and two children's shows each year. All of this is done in order to provide a high quality theater experience for our community.

Membership & Ticket Info

Please consider becoming a member to support your community theatre. We couldn't do it without you. Membership helps us defray the cost of the newsletter which keeps you informed of play dates, board meetings, auditions, play selections. Also with membership, you have a vote on play selection, an invitation to the annual Rosie Awards, and discount tickets.

Annual Membership	\$15 (individual) \$25 (family 2+)
Member 4-Ticket Pass	\$40
Non-Member 4-Ticket Pass	\$45
Single Ticket	\$12
Single Ticket Musical	\$15
Children's Show Tickets	\$3 & \$5
Group discount for 20+ paid in advance - \$2 off single ticket price, excluding children's shows.	

For membership, please contact: Pauline Player paulineplayer@earthlink.net

Dinner Theater

TGV provides dinner for your enjoyment on the Thursday nights of each show. Reservations must be made and paid for in advance by the Tuesday before your reservation. Dinner is buffet style and is served by 6:30 p.m.

BYOB. Seating is limited so please make your reservations early.

Call 24-STAGE (247-8243) for reservations or call during our box office hours:

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Twice yearly, TGV invites children to get in on the act. We choose great plays in which the children are the stars, not only on-stage, but back stage as well. We encourage them to perform and learn all aspects of the theater. Parents get involved with their children and it becomes a family adventure. Parents can audition alongside their children! Visit our website for audition information and look in the Goings On section in the *Valdosta Daily Times*.

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