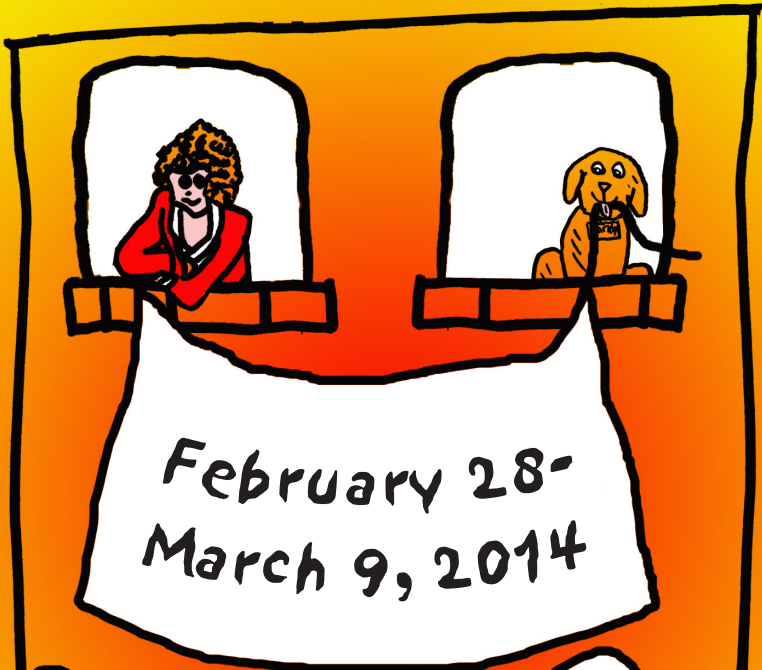


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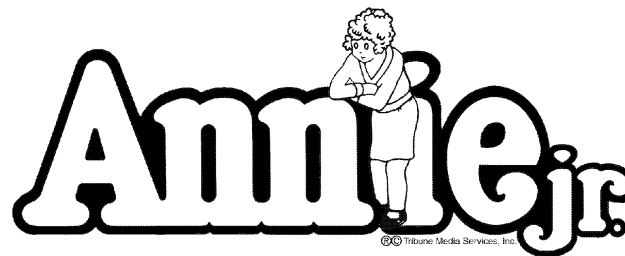
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Scenes & Musical Numbers

With pluck and positivity, Annie charms everyone she meets despite a next-to-nothing start in the Depression-era New York City of the 1930s. She is determined to find her parents, who abandoned her years ago on the doorstep of an orphanage run by the cruel, embittered Miss Hannigan.

When billionaire Oliver Warbucks decides to invite an orphan to his mansion for Christmas, Annie gets her chance to experience NYC anew outside the confines of the orphanage. Despite Miss Hannigan's evil machinations, Annie befriends President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and finds a new home alongside Warbucks, his personal secretary Grace Farrell, and a lovable mutt named Sandy.

- Scene 1: New York City Municipal Orphanage—Girls' Annex, 1933**
 "Maybe" Annie, Orphans
 "Hard-Knock Life" Annie, Orphans
- Scene 2: New York City, East Village**
 "Tomorrow" Annie
- Scene 3: Miss Hannigan's Office**
 "Little Girls" Miss Hannigan
- Scene 4: The Warbucks Mansion**
 "I Think I'm Gonna Like It Here" Annie, Grace, Servants
- Scene 5: New York City, Times Square**
 "N.Y.C." Warbucks, Grace, Annie, Star-To-Be, Ensemble
- Scene 6: Miss Hannigan's Office**
 "Easy Street" Rooster, Miss Hannigan, Lily
- Scene 7: Warbucks Mansion**
 "You Won't Be an Orphan for Long" Warbucks, Annie
- Scene 8: Radio Station**
 "Maybe—Reprise" Annie
- Scene 9: Miss Hannigan's Office**
 "You're Never Fully Dressed without a Smile" Orphans
 "Easy Street—Reprise" Rooster, Miss Hannigan, Lily
- Scene 10: Warbucks Mansion**
 "I Don't Need Anything But You" Warbucks, Annie
- Scene 11: Warbucks Mansion, Christmas Day 1933**
 "Maybe—Second Reprise" Annie
 "Tomorrow—Reprise" Warbucks, Grace, Roosevelt,
 Annie, Orphans, Ensemble

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Oliver Warbucks	NOAH MORETTO
Grace Ferrell	EDIE TIDD
Miss Hannigan	DAISY LAWRENCE
Rooster	ANDREW MISER
Lily	SARAH SAHO
Duffy	ELAINE FREED
Tessie	GRETCHEN DOWLER
Rose	EMILY DUCKWORTH
Pepper	TRU HILL
Molly	HARPER GRACE LAWRENCE
Hazel	CHARIS MACE
Mary	SELENA MARTIN
Lucy	AVERY MCCLUNG
Alice	OLIVIA MORETTO
Helen	KITEARA SINNETT
June	ABBY SMITH
Kate	KATELYN THOMAS
July	HANNAH WHITE
Ruth	LYDIA WHITE
Dorothy	GRACE WILSON
Bundles	LANDEN STENGEL
Apple Seller	NIKOLAS CAMERON
Dog Catcher	CAROLINE AFFOLTER
Lt. Ward/Policeman	ETHAN SCHAFFER
Drake	BLAINE TUTTLE
Cecille	JULES STEPHENS
Annette	JOASIA KARWATKA
Mrs. Greer	EMMA KAUFMAN
Mrs. Pugh	ABBY MCCLUNG
Bert Healy	OWEN TIDD
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President FDR	ZACK GRAHAM
Louis Howe	JARED REAM
Usherette	HOLLY BUSKIRK
Man in Brownstone Window	BLAINE TUTTLE
Ensemble	CAROLINE AFFOLTER, HOLLY BUSKIRK,

McKENZIE CAMERON, NIKOLAS CAMERON, CHARLES DAVIS,
ASHLEY DOYLE, ZACK GRAHAM, EMMA HARRIS, AUTUMN MILLER,
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Assistant Stage Manager.....	JESSE EATON
Lighting Operator.....	MARLEY UMENSETTER
Sound Board Operator.....	SARAH MICHAEL
Spot Light Operators.....	AARON HARDY, ELIZA HYDE
Props Leader.....	SYDNEY REYNOLDS
Sandy Wrangler.....	ECHO FULL
Stage Crew/Costume Assistants.....	CARTER CURRY, KATIE MICHAEL, JADE POLING, LAUREN SEXTON, CONNER WALKER
Costume Crew.....	EMILY BILES, NANCY HARDY, MANDY JONES, LISA MISER, SAM MISER, ANGELA NELSON, BARBARA REAM, HALEY THOMAS, HEATHER THOMAS
Rehearsal Pianist.....	BAILEY REAM
Director.....	ROBIN WHITE
Assistant Director.....	DREW WILLIAMS
Music Director.....	SHERRY BRAID
Choreographer.....	HELEN REILLY
Assistant Choreographer/Dance Captain.....	MICHAEL REAM
Technical Director.....	MARSHA MUELLER
Technical Group Coordinator.....	STEVE SMITH
Costume Coordinators.....	LYNDA HANNUS, RUTHIE WHITE
Hair and Makeup Coordinator.....	CONNIE KNOTTS
Hair and Makeup Crew.....	REBECCA BUSKIRK, RACHEL DAILEY, CONNIE KNOTTS, ANGIE MORETTO, ANGELA NELSON, BAILEY REAM, TRISHA SWANEY, CARRIE TIDD
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Annie has been busy telling people about the show throughout the Mid-Ohio Valley. Her travels have taken her to the following locations. Be sure to check out the pictures she took—they are on one of the video screens in the lobby!

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Best Wishes to our Ninth Graders who will be graduating from the Guild Builders Program: Ashley Doyle, Emma Kaufman, Andrew Miser, Jenna Pierson, and Sarah Saho. We have loved working with you!

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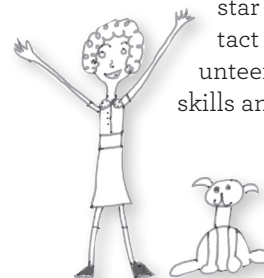
FOR MORE THAN 15 YEARS Guild Builders has been operational and providing educational opportunities for children in the 4th through 9th grades throughout the Mid-Ohio Valley. While I have only been a part of the Actors Guild for the past seven years, I have always been amazed at the level of commitment of those who participate in this program. The staff, the Guild volunteers, the parents and more importantly the students.

The staff begins preparing for the upcoming year just a few weeks after the program closes from the prior year; the parents who make the commitment to be sure their children are here on Saturday mornings and weeknight rehearsals, as needed, from October to March and the students who are not only willing to be here on Saturday, but spend time outside of the program learning lines, musical numbers and dance moves.

It is important to point out the many educational benefits of the program. It is certain that much of this work leads up to the culmination of the production, but there is far more to it than just being on stage and providing an evening of entertainment for family, friends and the community—there are the friends made, the important life lessons learned, the importance of making a commitment to something and keeping it.

The benefits of the program to our organization cannot go unnoticed either—we have board members, volunteers, actors on stage and musicians in the pit who started their journey with the Guild as part of Guild Builders. We are grateful for all of the efforts, large and small, that are put into this program to help build a solid foundation for the students who participate and become valuable contributors throughout our communities.

As you prepare to be transported back in time by the little red-headed orphan, Annie, that you have undoubtedly heard about so many times and think about her 'hard knock life', I would challenge you to think of how you might be able to get more involved with the Guild—we can always use a few good men (and women) to help swing a paint brush, move furniture or bring out your inner star by participating on stage. If you are interested, please contact us by calling the office or visiting our website and our Volunteer Coordinator will help you to find an area that uses your skills and abilities.



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Director's Note

IN THE MOVIE GROUNDHOG DAY, Bill Murray plays a weatherman who keeps living the same day over and over again. In some ways, I think this could be an interesting scenario, but then again, it could become monotonous very quickly. Ironically, my experience with the show *Annie* is a little like Groundhog Day. This is the third time that I have been involved with directing a production of *Annie*. The first was the last time that the Guild did the full version, and I was the assistant director. I learned a lot about directing from that experience—especially when it comes to dealing with kids and dogs! A few years later, I had a chance to direct the junior version of the show at my school. This was a great experience as we built the entire set in the gym and rehearsed after school several times a week. It was a fun production and the kids and the parents were a huge help. Now, here I am directing the junior version again for Guild Builders. This time around, the show feels like an old friend, and it has been a lot of fun revisiting these characters again. In my opinion, it is the characters that make the show so special. Ranging from the feisty orphan Annie to the down-on-her-luck, somewhat nutty Miss Hannigan, the characters are real. They make you laugh, cringe, and cry and you root for their survival as well as their demise.

Working with the Guild Builders program is always a fun time. I cannot say enough about how great these kids are. These are kids who have a drive to not only put on a great show, but to learn while doing it. They know when to get serious and when to have fun. The talent also runs very deep in this group, and our team has striven to challenge the actors to really bring their characters to life. Hopefully you will see that as you watch.

Finally, I want to commend all the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, and friends who help to make sure the kids get to Guild Builders every Saturday and volunteer their time to help with costumes, sets, registration, and the many other facets of the program that most people don't get a chance to see. Your dedication to not only this program but to the performing arts is a treasure. We definitely couldn't do it without you.

One of the biggest differences in my "Groundhog Day" experience with *Annie* is that with each production, there gets to be a new set of faces to associate with the show. This keeps it fresh and alive and a lot of fun to do. I guess I'll have to see if my path crosses with *Annie* again on another day. If it does, you can bet your bottom dollar that the sun'll be out and shining bright. (I tried to resist ... but just couldn't!)

ROBIN WHITE
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Our most recent Bayley Award was granted to Dr. Robert Heflin and United Anesthesia, Inc.

The Khalil Awards

For many years Dr. Ghassan Khalil and his family have made an annual contribution to ensure the continuation of live theater in our community and have championed the importance of the arts in our lives. The Khalil Awards were established to honor the Outstanding Production and the Outstanding Performance of each season. An anonymous panel consisting of persons who have seen every show of the previous season selects the recipients of these awards.

The Actors Guild of Parkersburg would like to congratulate director Barbara Full and the entire cast and crew of *Avenue Q* as the Best Show for the 2012-2013 season. Receiving the honor for Best Performance was Dan Miller, for his portrayal of Dave Bukatinsky in *The Full Monty*.

The Grace-Marie Merrill Award

John Newton is the most recent recipient of the Grace-Marie Merrill Award for exceptional volunteerism to the Actors Guild of Parkersburg. The award is named for a former drama teacher at Parkersburg High School who was an early member of the Guild, where she acted in and directed plays.

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Who's Who in the Cast & Crew

CAROLINE AFFOLTER (Dogcatcher, Ensemble) is in her fifth year of Guild Builders. Last year she played a parrot in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* Prior to that, she portrayed Vita Curtis, the photographer, and a hostess in *Kilroy Was Here!*; a juggler and a follower in *Robin Hood the Musical*; and Fyodor in *Fiddler on the Roof JR.* Caroline loves unicorns and turtles, and her favorite color is rainbow glitter. She sings in the Edison Middle School choir and lives on a farm with thirteen horses and eight dogs. She professes to love talking, eating, and sleeping.

HOLLY BUSKIRK (Usherette, Ensemble) loves to act, dance, sing, play soccer, and volunteer. Last year Holly was the Owl in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* She has also been seen in local productions that include *Black Beard*, *Cinderella*, and *The Little Mermaid*. Holly would like to thank her mom and dad for taking her to Guild Builders each week and to all of the audience members for coming to see the show!

McKENZIE CAMERON (Ensemble), daughter of Michael and Monique Cameron and sister to Nikolas Cameron, is a seventh grader at Barlow-Vincent Elementary, where she is an Honor Roll student and participates in the Talented and Gifted program. McKenzie sings in Barlow-Vincent Elementary's school choruses; she performed in *Alice in Wonderland* in 2012 and recently in the Operetta *Cinderella*. This is McKenzie's third Guild Builders production after portraying a go-go dancer in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* and a serviceman and messenger in *Kilroy Was Here!* Additional theatrical performances include the First Elf Guard in MOVP's *The Hobbit* and a Munchkin in Missoula Children's Theatre's *The Wiz of the West*. McKenzie sings in the Trinity Episcopal Church's Children's Choir and is active in her church youth group. She loves shooting on Fort Harmar's Rifle Team and participating in the Bull's Eye Shooting Club [4H] for the past four years, during which she has won many awards. McKenzie thanks her mom and dad for their help with her extra busy schedule and taking her to Guild Builders every Saturday - love you guys!

NIKOLAS CAMERON (Apple Seller, Ensemble), son of Michael and Monique Cameron and brother to McKenzie Cameron, is a fourth grader at Barlow-Vincent Elementary, where he is a straight A student and participates in the Talented and Gifted program. Nikolas has taken private violin lessons for the past three years and sings in Trinity Episcopal Church's Children's Choir. He has also been a Boy Scout for the past four years, played soccer with Ohio Valley Soccer League for the past five years, and enjoys baseball, swimming, tennis, and hockey. He loves shooting in Bull's Eye Shooting Club [4-H], where he's won many blue ribbons. This is Nikolas's first year participating in Guild Builders and thanks his parents for all of their love and support! Welcome Nikolas!

CARTER CURRY (Stage Crew, Costume Assistant) is in fifth grade at Jefferson Elementary Center. He enjoys the arts, reading, and building. One day he hopes to attend college to become a computer game designer. Carter would like to thank his mom for her love and encouragement. He would also like to thank his grandmother for watching *The Wizard of Oz* with him at least a thousand times. Welcome Carter!

CHARLES DAVIS (Ensemble) returns for his second year as a Guild Builders cast member. In last year's production of *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*, he was both a Cool Kid and a Hollywood camera operator. Previous theatre experience includes Missoula Children's Theatre's *Hansel and Gretel* where he played a Wallybird. Chuckie is a fifth grade student at Jefferson Elementary. In his spare time, he is a gamer, and he enjoys music and riding his bike.

GRETCHEN DOWLER (Orphan Tessie) is 11 years old and in the 6th grade at Parkersburg Catholic Elementary School where she is the Vice President of her class. This is Gretchen's third year in Guild Builders, having been a part of the backstage crew in *Kilroy Was Here!* and playing a bluebird last year in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* She enjoys old movies and old music. Gretchen would like to thank her parents and her Uncle Bill for their encouragement.

ASHLEY DOYLE (Ensemble), a fifteen-year-old freshman at Parkersburg High School, is very excited for this year's performance. Previous Guild Builders experience includes being part of the technical crew for *Kilroy Was Here!* and a Cool Kid in *The Musical Adventure of Flat Stanley JR.* In addition to Guild Builders, she is currently also a cast member in her first show with the PHS Players, *The Wedding Singer*, and is a part of the PHS Freshman Choir. Ashley would like to thank her friends and family for their support and inspiration. She would also like to thank the Guild Builders program for introducing her to theatre, something that she really loves to do.

EMILY DUCKWORTH (Orphan Rose) attends Hamilton Middle School as a seventh grader. She has always loved to sing and dance, and she thinks that Guild Builders is a wonderful way to do the things she loves to do. Other interests include crafting, including sewing and knitting. Welcome Emily!

JESSE EATON (Assistant Stage Manager) maintains a 4.0 grade point average as a sixth grader at Jackson Middle School where he is a peer mediator, a Jr. Civitan, and an Art Honors student. Additionally, Jesse is in the Smoot Theatre Children's Chorus, has participated in eight theatrical performances, and plays the trumpet. In his spare time, he enjoys playing the piano, taking part in church activities, and reading.

ELAINE FREED (Orphan Duffy) is a home-schooled seventh grader who loves to read books and ride horses at Summerville Stables. Her cousins were in Guild Builders first, providing her with the inspiration to participate. This is Elaine's fourth year in the program after being a spot light operator, a hostess, and a blue jay for prior productions. Elaine believes that Guild Builders is a place where everyone is a friend.

ECHO FULL (Sandy Wrangler) joined Guild Builders this year. She is nine years old, and her favorite colors are black and pink. Previous theatre experience includes participation in Camp Vaudeville at the Smoot Theatre. Welcome Echo!

ZACK GRAHAM (FDR, Ensemble) age 11, is a sixth grader at Ravenswood Middle School. He recently completed his fifth year playing for the Ravenswood Red Devils youth football team. He has been a spotlight operator for *Kilroy Was Here!* and Napoleon in *The Musical Adventure of Flat Stanley JR.* Zack also portrayed Peachfuzz in the Missoula Children's Theatre's production of *Blackbeard the Pirate* and Billy Bones in the Ravenswood Grade School's production of *Treasure Island*. Zack loves being in Guild Builders and looks forward to coming each week for the rehearsals.

AARON HARDY (Spot Light Operator) is a sixth grader at Jackson Middle School and is in his third year of Guild Builders. Previously he was the Assistant Stage Manager and light board operator. Other theatre credits include *King Arthur's Quest*, *Hansel and Gretel*, and *Oliver!*

EMMA HARRIS (Ensemble) returns to Guild Builders after being a Cool Kid in last year's *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* She is 11 years old. Emma dances at Schrader's Youth Ballet and participates in their production of *The Nutcracker*. She is super excited to be in *Annie JR!*

TRU HILL (Orphan Pepper) portrayed a bird in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR* and a hostess in *Kilroy Was Here!* She is in the seventh grade at Ritchie County Middle School where she is currently playing the Wicked Witch of the West in their production of *The Wizard of Oz*. Tru loves dancing, singing, and eating (her favorite food is tacos). Tru loves coming to Guild Builders because she can see all of her friends, and she is really excited about playing Pepper this year!

ELIZA HYDE (Spot Light Operator) is homeschooled. She likes animals (especially kittens), and she is a green belt in Kung Fu. Eliza loves Guild Builders and is pleased to have helped put up the lights to get ready for *The Nutcracker* performance that took place at the Guild.

JOASIA KARWATKA (Annette) works at the MWVC vet clinic. She is thirteen and in seventh grade. Joasia loves horses and has been riding since she was ten. She has been in plays for her co-op since she was about five, and she also dances at the Mid-Ohio Valley Ballet Academy. Joasia loves coming to Guild Builders; she has enjoyed all of the classes this year.

EMMA KAUFMAN (Mrs. Greer) is a ninth grader at Parkersburg High School where she is currently helping with costumes for PHS's production of *The Wedding Singer*. She likes to knit and sew. Emma wants to thank her mother and father for taking her to practice every Saturday. We are pleased to have Emma joining Guild Builders this year. Welcome Emma!

DAISY LAWRENCE (Miss Hannigan) is a seventh grader at Hamilton Middle School. In her years in Guild Builders, she has played Agent June Forrest in *Kilroy Was Here!* and Dr. Anne in *The Musical Adventure of Flat Stanley JR.*

She has been in multiple shows through Missoula Children's Theatre and is a veteran of the Smoot Theatre Children's Chorus. Currently, Daisy dances at the Mid-Ohio Valley Ballet Academy, plays percussion in band, and takes vocal lessons from Noemi Linsay. Daisy would like to thank everyone who said she was too nice for the role of Miss Hannigan – you are an encouragement!

HARPER GRACE LAWRENCE (Orphan Molly) joins Guild Builders this year. A fourth grader, Harper Grace has participated in Missoula Children's Theatre productions of *King Arthur's Quest*, *Snow White*, and *Blackbeard the Pirate*. She dances at the Mid-Ohio Valley Ballet Academy and has participated in their production of *The Nutcracker* as an angel and as a party girl. Harper Grace currently participates in the Smoot Theatre Children's Chorus. Welcome Harper Grace!

CHARIS MACE (Orphan Hazel) is a fifth grade homeschooler. Last year Charis was a spot light operator and is excited to be part of the cast this year. She has two cats and a dog, and she loves reading and writing. Each year, she performs in a play for her homeschool co-op. Charis loves being an orphan and would like to thank Barbara Ream, Robin White, Helen Reilly, Sherry Braid, the tech crew, and all of the other people who are making Annie JR. possible.

SELENA MARTIN (Orphan Mary) enjoys playing the flute and drawing. Last year she played a sleepover guest in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* Selena is in the seventh grade.

ABBY MCCLUNG (Mrs. Pugh) appeared last year as a singing bird and a go-go dancer; before that she was Marion and a hostess in *Kilroy Was Here!* and a spot light operator for *Robin Hood the Musical*. She is in eighth grade and is homeschooled. She enjoys playing the piano, reading, and singing. Abby would like to thank the Guild Builders staff for making the program possible and her family for being so supportive.

AVERY MCCLUNG (Orphan Lucy) loves swimming and makeup. She is a ten-year-old homeschooler in the fifth grade. This is her second year in Guild Builders but her first year as a cast member; last year she was part of the backstage crew. Avery thanks her dad for waking up early every Saturday morning to take her to Guild Builders. She also thanks her mom, sister, and grandparents for supporting her.

KATIE MICHAEL (Stage Crew/Costume Assistant) wants to be an actress and is thankful to have joined Guild Builders this year. She is 10 years old and in the 4th grade. Katie's favorite color is violet, her favorite food is French fries, her favorite holiday is Thanksgiving, and her favorite season is fall. She enjoys reading, writing, and singing. Welcome Katie!

SARAH MICHAEL (Sound Board Operator) joined Guild Builders this year along with her sister Katie (her other sister's name is Crissy). Sarah is 11 years old. She enjoys playing sports and cheering the Green Bay Packers with her family. Sarah has a blue pet fish named Shakey. Her favorite subjects are science and math. Welcome Sarah!

AUTUMN MILLER (Ensemble) plays the guitar and participates in gymnastics. Autumn has performed in two plays at the Smoot Theatre and two at her school. She loves singing, and she thinks acting is fun. Welcome Autumn!

ANDREW MISER (Rooster) is a ninth grader at PHS where he participates in the quiz bowl, choir, and cross country. He also enjoys playing the violin. Andrew has appeared in past Guild Builders productions as the Bulletin Board and O.Jay D'Art in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*, the MP in *Kilroy Was Here!*, and a soldier in *Robin Hood the Musical*. Other Actors Guild appearances include the chorus in *Godspell* and Pud in *On Borrowed Time*. Andrew is glad to be a part of Guild Builders and will miss it next year!

NOAH MORETTO (Oliver Warbucks) has been part of the Guild Builders program for five years. Prior roles include sleepover kid Jacob in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*, Jack in *Kilroy Was Here!*, a sword fighter and follower in *Robin Hood the Musical*, and the Rabbi in *Fiddler on the Roof JR.* Other interests include attending camps and youth group activities. Noah has traveled to 26 states, including Hawaii. His favorite books series is *The Fire Within* books.

OLIVIA MORETTO (Orphan Alice) is in her third year of Guild Builders. Last year she was a sleepover guest in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*, and the year prior she was a hostess in *Kilroy Was Here!* Olivia is in sixth grade at Newport Elementary. She has been playing the piano for three years. She also enjoys drawing.

JENNA PIERSON (Annie) is a 15-year-old freshman at PHS. She has been in three prior Guild Builders productions: *Fiddler on the Roof JR.* as Yente, *Robin Hood the Musical* as Mother Meg, and *Kilroy Was Here!* as Valerie the riveter. Last year Jenna portrayed Mary Lennox in the Actors Guild's production of *The Secret Garden*. In addition, she has been involved with choirs and volunteer organizations in the community. Jenna thanks the audience members for coming to see Annie JR.!

CYAN POLING (Ensemble) attends Jackson Middle School as a sixth grader. Last year she appeared in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR* as a go-go dancer. In addition to her participation in Guild Builders, Cyan has appeared in school plays and performed in *The Nutcracker*. She plays the flute and is currently part of the Jump Company USA and is busy learning new tricks using her jump rope.

JADE POLING (Stage Crew/Costume Assistant) participates in soccer and choir at Neale School. This ten-year-old also plays the electric guitar. This is Jade's first year in Guild Builders. Welcome Jade!

JARED REAM (Sound Effects Man, Radio Announcer, Louis Howe, Ensemble) returns to Guild Builders after previously playing Arthur in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* and government agent Horace in *Kilroy Was Here!* Other theater experiences include Missoula Children's Theatre productions, Camp Vaudeville, and the Actors Guild production of *Charlie and the Choco-*

late Factory as an Oompa-Loompa. Jared is a sixth grade homeschooler. In addition to acting, he enjoys participating in dance, karate, and the Smoot Theatre Children's Chorus where he loves being part of the quartet. He is also ecstatic about Legos and pottery.

SYDNEY REYNOLDS (Props Leader) joins Guild Builders this year. He is in the fifth grade at Gihon Elementary School where his favorite subject is reading. Sydney takes piano and trombone lessons, and he plays soccer two seasons a year. In his free time, he likes to play video games. Sydney has enjoyed being in Guild Builders and working with the technical crew. Welcome Sydney!

ATHENA ROOT (Ensemble) is 11 years old. Prior theatrical performances include *The Wiz of the West* and *Home for the Holidays*. She enjoys chess, horses, and video games. This is Athena's first year with Guild Builders. Welcome Athena!

SARAH SAHO (Lily) returns to her fourth and final year in Guild Builders. She has played Nurse Betty, a Wannabe, and a go-go dancer in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*; undercover agent Gretchen in *Kilroy Was Here!*, and a castle maiden and follower in *Robin Hood the Musical*. Sarah attends Warren High School. She dances and sings, and she loves her family, friends, and hedgehogs.

ETHAN SCHAFFER (Lt. Ward, Ensemble) attends Blennerhassett Middle School, where he has been in 3 theatrical productions: Young Hook in *Captain Hook*, a Wickersham brother in *Seussical JR.*, and Farkas in *A Christmas Story*. Currently he is rehearsing for the upcoming production of *Into the Woods*. In the past, Ethan attended the Junior Thespian Festival. In his free time, he plays drums for his school band and volunteers at local soup kitchens in the community. Ethan would like to thank his family and friends for all of their support. Welcome Ethan!

LAUREN SEXTON (Stage Crew/Costume Assistant) thinks that being part of the technical crew is really fun because of the equipment and the people. This is Lauren's first year in Guild Builders. Welcome Lauren!

KITEARA SINNETT (Orphan Helen) plays the snare drum, xylophone, and bass drum as percussionist in her school band. This 11-year-old is also part of the Smoot Theatre Children's Chorus. Kiteara enjoys learning more about acting, singing, and literature. Welcome Kiteara!

ABBY SMITH (Orphan June) is in the seventh grade at VanDevender Middle School. This is her fourth year in Guild Builders. Previously she portrayed sleepover guest Jennifer, a Wannabe, and Kiki in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*; Mrs. Wilcox in *Kilroy Was Here!*; and a soldier in *Robin Hood the Musical*. Other performances include the Missoula Children's Theatre productions of *Snow White* as Dr. Specs and *The Wiz of the West* as a munchkin. Abby enjoys acting, dancing, singing, turtles, and playing volleyball.

LANDEN STENGEL (Bundles, Ensemble) was born February 2002 in Portsmouth, Virginia. He is the son of Ed and Stephanie Stengel of Parkersburg, and he has a sister and two brothers. A sixth grader at Jackson Middle School, this is Landen's second year in Guild Builders, having played sleepover guest Caleb last year in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* His favorite sport

is soccer, and he loves to cheer on the Pittsburgh Steelers. Landen enjoys playing with his two dogs and playing video games.

JULES STEPHENS (Cecille) is in seventh grade at Williamstown High School where she has participated in multiple plays and is excited to join the drama club. Her first play, *Flowers and Gardens*, was in her third grade year at Williamstown Elementary. Jules dances at the Mid-Ohio Valley Ballet Academy. This is her first year in Guild Builders. Welcome Jules!

EMILY SWANEY (Ensemble) has a dream to be an actress/singer. This sixth grade homeschooler enjoys drawing in her spare time. This is Emily's first year in Guild Builders. Welcome Emily!

KATELYN THOMAS (Orphan Kate) is a fourth grade homeschooler and first year Guild Builders student. She enjoys playing basketball and soccer, playing with her pet rabbit, and spending time with her friends and family. Welcome Katelyn!

EDIE TIDD (Grace Ferrell) is a seventh grade homeschooler participating in her third year in Guild Builders. Last year Edie was postal person Mrs. Cartero in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*, and the year prior she was undercover agent Rona in *Kilroy Was Here!* Edie has performed in the Missoula Children's Theatre productions of *Wiz of the West*, *Snow White*, and *Blackbeard the Pirate*. Additionally, she appeared in the Actors Guild production of *The Secret Garden*. In addition to dancing with the Mid-Ohio Valley Ballet Academy for the last seven years, Edie has participated in and performed with the Smoot Theatre's Camp Vaudeville and the Cello Company of Parkersburg. She would like to thank her family for their support.

OWEN TIDD (Bert Healy, Ensemble) is a fifth grade homeschooler participating in his second year of Guild Builders. Along with his participation in Camp Vaudeville productions at the Smoot Theatre, he has also performed with the Missoula Children's Theatre in *Snow White* and *Wiz of the West*. He has danced with the Mid-Ohio Valley Ballet Academy for five years, and he plays cello and piano. Last year Owen played Colin in the Actors Guild production of *The Secret Garden*. Owen wants to say "Thanks, Mom and Dad - I love you!"

BLAINE TUTTLE (Drake) considers himself artistic. He plays the piano and violin, takes dance lessons at PACE, and joins Guild Builders this year. He is in the sixth grade at Williamstown Elementary. Welcome Blaine!

MARLEY UMENSETTER (Lighting Operator) is in the eighth grade at Blennerhassett Middle School where she is a member of the school choir. Marley has appeared in several school plays. This is her fourth year in Guild Builders. Last year she was the sound operator, and before that, a serviceperson in *Kilroy Was Here!* and a nobleman and follower in *Robin Hood the Musical*.

CLARE WALKER (Ensemble) has appeared in a variety of other productions: *School House Rock Live! JR.* at MOVP, *The Music Man* at Marietta College, and Theatre de Jeunesse's *The Pirates of Penzance*. Clare is very happy to join Guild Builders this year. Welcome Clare!

CONNOR WALKER (Stage Crew/Costume Assistant) is thirteen years old and is a second year Guild Builders technical crew member. He has appeared in many productions around the Mid-Ohio Valley: MOVP's *School House Rock Live! JR.*, *The Hobbit*, and *The Music Man JR.*; Marietta College's *The Music Man*; and Missoula Children's Theatre's *Wiz of the West* in which he served a technical role.

HANNAH WHITE (Orphan July) is an eighth grader at Eastern Junior High School. This is her third year in Guild Builders; last year she portrayed the Joan of Arc statue in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*, and the year before, Pamela, the reporter, in *Kilroy Was Here!* She has appeared in the Actors Guild's productions of *Godspell* as an angel, *Seussical the Musical*, *Beauty and the Beast*, and *The Wizard of Oz*. She has also performed in the Missoula Children's Theatre productions *Hansel and Gretel* and *King Arthur's Quest*. Her hobbies include reading, singing, and hanging out with friends. She is reported to be very good at playing the clarinet and making people laugh.

LYDIA WHITE (Orphan Ruth) is a sixth grader at Belpre Elementary School and is in her third year of Guild Builders. Last year Lydia was a bird and a Wannabe in *The Musical Adventure of Flat Stanley JR.*, and before that she was a hostess in *Kilroy Was Here!* Her acting career began early, appearing in *Seussical the Musical* when she was only three years old! She has performed in the Actors Guild productions of *Beauty and the Beast*, *The Wizard of Oz*, and *Godspell*, and in the Smoot Theatre productions *Hansel and Gretel*, *King Arthur's Quest* and *Snow White*. She is a member of the Smoot Theatre Children's Chorus and is learning to play the saxophone.

GRACE WILSON (Orphan Dorothy) enjoys anime, drawing, Netflix, YouTube, and food (especially popcorn, soup, potatoes, ice cream, and chocolate). Usually you will see her on her iPod watching YouTube, looking at cat pictures, or texting her friends. This is Grace's fourth year in Guild Builders. She has appeared in *The Musical Adventure of Flat Stanley JR.* as Bikini Wahini, *Kilroy Was Here!* as a hostess, and *Robin Hood the Musical* as a sword fighter and follower. Additionally, Grace has been a part of the Actors Guild's productions of *Godspell* and *Beauty and the Beast*. She describes herself as "fabulis" and "swagilishis."

Each year the Guild Builders students participate in a marketing class in which they produce artwork relating to that year's production. From these submissions, the marketing posters, cast t-shirts, and playbill cover are developed. This year's playbill cover design incorporated artwork and lettering from the following Guild Builders students:

Jesse Eaton • Holly Buskirk • Owen Tidd • Ashley Doyle
Daisy Lawrence • Lydia White • Carter Curry • Kiteara Sinnott

Additional artwork from the following students can be seen throughout:

Holly Buskirk • Ashley Doyle • Gretchen Dowler • Emma Harris
Abby McClung • Carter Curry • Charis Mace • Katie Michael

Staff & Student Assistants

DARIN AFFOLTER (Technical Group Assistant) is in his fourth year on the staff of Guild Builders assisting with the technical crew and set construction. Darin is very involved with the local 4-H program and with his church.

SHERRY WILSON BRAID (Music Director) was the 1990s ensemble director for *It's the Reel Thing*. She was music director for the Actors Guild's productions of *Pump Boys and Dinettes*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Smokey Joe's Café* and has served as the music director for the past few Guild Builders productions. On stage at the Guild she appeared in *Into the Woods* as Cinderella in 1992 and as the Witch in 2011. She also made Guild appearances in *Always Patsy Cline* as Patsy; *Beauty and the Beast*; *Big, The Musical*; *The Secret Garden*; *Godspell*; *Nuncrackers*; and many others since 1985. She is employed as a school nurse for the Wood County Schools. She is very proud of her "own" Guild Builder, Grace Wilson.

CONNIE KNOTTS DOWLER (Hair & Makeup, Sign In Table) officially joins the staff this year after being involved since her daughter Gretchen joined Guild Builders three years ago. Connie works for the Wood County Department of Health and Human Resources as an Economic Service Worker. She and her family are actively involved in their church, St. Francis Xavier.

BRENT DOWLER (Marketing, Sign In Table) works for On Board Services and the DuPont Washington Works Plant as a roaming lead. He began assisting with the program as a result of his daughter Gretchen's involvement. One of Brent's tasks this year was to be chauffeur to our life-sized Annie as she traveled around the community. Brent, Connie, and Gretchen are actively involved with church activities at St. Francis Xavier.

LYNDA HANNUS (Costumes) has worked with costumes the past four years. She previously coordinated hair and make-up for the Guild Builders productions of *Kilroy Was Here!*, *Robin Hood the Musical*, *The Stories of Scheherazade*, *Narnia*, *The Music Man JR.*, *Fiddler on the Roof JR.*, and *Rikki-Tikki-Tavi*. Last year, Lynda coordinated the costume design and construction for *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*—including the creation of Stanley's flat suit! This is Lynda's eighth year on the staff.

ALICE LAWRENCE (Marketing Designer), proud Guild Builder parent, joined our staff after helping out with hair and makeup for the 2012 Guild Builder production of *Kilroy Was Here!* Alice and her family (Darin works at Woodcraft, Daisy is a third-year Guild Builder, and Harper Grace is a first-year Guild Builder) moved to Parkersburg from Afton, Virginia, in 2008. She is in her twenty-fifth year working for the educational travel company WorldStrides. Reading, crafting, camping, and singing are pastimes she enjoys with her family. Before moving to Parkersburg, during a tour of the town, they happened upon an entertaining and enthusiastic rehearsal for *Narnia* at the Actors Guild and made it a goal to participate in Guild Builders.

LISA MISER (Playbill) is in her second year on the Guild Builders staff. Her son Sam is a student assistant and her other son, Andrew, is in his last year of Guild Builders. After being a stay-at-home mom for over a decade, she returned to employment last spring as an assistant to a financial advisor, and is learning new and creative ways to juggle. She is happy to serve a role in a program which has greatly benefited her sons.

MARSHA MUELLER (Technical Director) is happy to once again serve as Technical Director to the Guild Builders production. As the Technical Director, Marsha designed the set and lights and oversaw the building and execution of those design elements. She also worked with the students in the Technical Group and coordinated the backstage crew. Her planning and attention to details allowed students and parents of all experience levels to participate in the construction process. Marsha previously served as Technical Director for the Guild Builders productions of *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* and *Robin Hood the Musical*.

BARBARA REAM (Program Coordinator) became involved with Guild Builders when her oldest child joined the program. Now she is in her seventh year as a Guild Builders staff member and fifth year as Program Coordinator. In past years, Barbara directed *Rikki-Tikki-Tavi*, *Robin Hood the Musical*, and *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*; co-directed *The Hidden Secrets*; and was assistant director for *Narnia*. When not busy with Guild Builders, Barbara homeschools her three children—Bailey, Michael and Jared.

HELEN REILLY (Choreographer) first appeared on our stage as the Queen in *Cinderella* and she performed in the chorus in *Oliver!* and *Beauty and the Beast*. This is Helen's fourteenth year on our staff, during which she has choreographed for *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*, *Kilroy Was Here!*, *Robin Hood the Musical*, *Fiddler on the Roof JR.*, *The Music Man JR.*, *Narnia*, *The Stories of Scheherazade*, *Voyage Aboard the Charming Sally*, *The Wind in the Willows*, and *The Great Ghost Chase*. She was co-director and co-choreographer for *Peter Pan* and was a dance instructor for *Forty-Second Street*. Helen's first show with Guild Builders was our *Li'l Abner* production, where she choreographed several numbers including the wonderful Sadie Hawkins race. Helen has also choreographed several main stage shows including *South Pacific*, *Annie* and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.

PAIGE SMITH (Registration, Parent Coordination, Attendance, Tee Shirts) is in her third year as part of the Guild Builders staff. She also volunteers at the Actors Guild as house manager and usher for many productions. Paige is director of nursing for emergency and urgent care services at Memorial Health System in Marietta. She enjoys being part of the program along with her husband Steve (technical coordinator) and her daughter, Abby, who is in the cast.

STEPHEN SMITH (Technical Group Coordinator) oversees the classes and work of the Technical Group students. For the past couple of years, he has volunteered at the Actors Guild as part of the technical crew (light board operator, running crew, etc.) for many productions. Stephen appeared on stage for the first time in the Actors Guild's production of *On Borrowed Time*. Stephen

is an assistant professor of business and accounting at WVU-Parkersburg.

ROBIN WHITE (Director, Directors Excerpt Coordinator) has been involved with the Actors Guild since the early 1990s. He has appeared in productions of *Annie Get Your Gun*, *Weird Romance*, *An Inspector Calls*, *The Civil War*, *The Foreigner*, *Into the Woods*, *White Christmas*, and others. Additionally, Robin has directed Actors Guild productions of *Seussical*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *A Year With Frog and Toad*, *The Secret Garden* and the upcoming *9 to 5*. Robin writes the Guild's newsletter, *Backstage* which recently won several Outstanding Awards at the state OCTAFest. This year Robin returns as the director for Guild Builders after previously directing *Kilroy Was Here!* He is a teacher for Belpre City Schools and enjoys sharing theater with his family, which includes his wife, Ruthie, and kids, Hannah, Lydia, and Riley.

RUTHIE WHITE (Costumes) has worked behind the scenes on several of her husband Robin's past productions and was assistant director for the Guild Builders production of *Kilroy Was Here!* While in college, Ruthie performed with the Pied Pipers, a children's improvisational troupe, and in productions of *You Can't Take it With You* and *The Secret Place*. Ruthie is a fourth grade teacher at Eastern Elementary and is an active member of the Belpre Church of Christ.

ANDREW WILLIAMS (Assistant Director) has been seen in shows like *Night of the Living Dead*, *Wake Up Call*, *Radium Girls*, *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, *All Shook Up*, *The Secret Garden*, *The Full Monty*, *The Pirates of Penzance*, *Dracula*, and most recently *Lombardi*.

TIM WILSON (Scheduling Coordinator) is a Human Resources Specialist at the Bureau of the Public Debt and has been playing with the Actors Guild since 1992. Most recently Tim appeared in *Into the Woods*. He has also performed in *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *The Civil War*, *Honk!*, *The Secret Garden*, *Is There Life After High School?*, and *Forever Plaid*, to name a few. This is his fourth year on the Guild Builders staff.

EMILY BILES (Student Assistant) has been working in theatre for most of her life at the Smoot Theatre and the Actors Guild, and, more recently, with Théâtre de Jeunesse in Marietta and the PHS Players at Parkersburg High School. She has appeared onstage in shows like *The Boy Friend* as a Perfect Young Lady, *How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying* as a secretary, *Kilroy Was Here!* as Hermione, and *Pirates of Penzance* as Isabel. Offstage, she has been a student assistant for last year's Guild Builders show, *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.* and a dressing room and green room manager for the PHS Players' production of *Damn Yankees!* Currently, she is working with the PHS Players as Leeza in *Property Rites* by Alan Haehnel and as Angie in *The Wedding Singer*, the musical version of the Adam Sandler movie. She is thrilled to return to her place as a Student Assistant for one of her favorite musicals, *Annie JR.*

SAM MISER (Student Assistant) is a junior at Parkersburg High School and is a member of the PHS Chamber Choir. His Guild Builders roles have included *Kilroy*

in *Kilroy Was Here!*, Little John in *Robin Hood the Musical*, and Motel the tailor in *Fiddler on the Roof JR.* Sam has also appeared in the Actors Guild productions *Big, the Musical* and *Hairspray* and in the PHS production *Black Comedy*. Last summer, he was accepted into the Governor's School for the Arts for vocal music. Sam is currently in rehearsal to play Robbie Hart in the PHS production of *The Wedding Singer* and is excited to be helping with Guild Builders again this year.

BAILEY REAM (Student Assistant, Rehearsal Pianist) is an eleventh grade homeschooler. This is her second year as a student assistant. While in Guild Builders, Bailey portrayed Kitty the spy in *Kilroy Was Here!*, Lady Merle in *Robin Hood the Musical*, Darzina in *Rikki-Tikki-Tavi*, Clara in *The Hidden Secrets*, a white dog in *Narnia*, and Dinny in *The Stories of Scheherazade*. Bailey has taken part in seven Missoula Children's Theatre productions at the Smoot Theatre, and she participated in Camp Vaudeville for eight years. She also took part in the productions *James and the Giant Peach* at WVU-Parkersburg and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* at the Actors Guild. Last summer, Bailey was accepted into the Governor's School for the Arts for piano. She also completed the requirements for her black belt last summer. Bailey looks forward to pursuing a career in music and has enjoyed working with and learning from Sherry Wilson Braid during this production!

MICHAEL REAM (Student Assistant, Asst. Choreographer, Dance Captain) returns this year to the Guild Builders program as a Student Assistant. He is a tenth grade homeschooler, and his favorite subject is math; in the future, he hopes to pursue a career in a math or science related field. Michael currently takes dance lessons at PACE, is working toward his black belt in karate, is part of the Boys Ensemble at the Smoot Theatre, and takes piano lessons. He enjoys reading, computers, giraffes, and any type of building endeavor. Prior Guild Builders roles include Mr. Lambchop in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*, Carl in *Kilroy Was Here!*, a soldier in *Robin Hood the Musical*, the lead in *Rikki-Tikki-Tavi*, Noah in *The Hidden Secrets*, and the Professor in *Narnia*. He has also appeared in a production of *James and the Giant Peach* at WVU-P, four Missoula Children's Theater productions, five Camp Vaudeville productions, and the Actors Guild's *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* as an Oompa-Loompa.

CELIA SMITH (Student Assistant, Stage Manager) is in her junior year at Parkersburg High School where she has been involved in the A Cappella choir, under the direction of Pam McClain, and is currently part of the thespian troupe, under the direction of Lori Zyla. Celia has been in over sixteen plays, including the Guild Builders productions *Stories of Scheherazade*, *Robin Hood the Musical*, and *Kilroy Was Here!* Recently she played Ruth in *The Pirates of Penzance* and is currently part of the cast in *The Wedding Singer* at Parkersburg High.

HALEY THOMAS (Student Assistant, Costumes) is a tenth grade student at Ritchie County High School. After four years participating in the program, this is her first year as a Student Assistant. Her prior Guild Builders roles were Mona Lisa, Wannabe, and Go-Go Dancer in *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley JR.*; a hostess in *Kilroy Was Here!*; a merchant and follower in *Robin Hood the Musical*; and Isaak a bottle dancer in *Fiddler on the Roof JR.*



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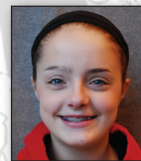
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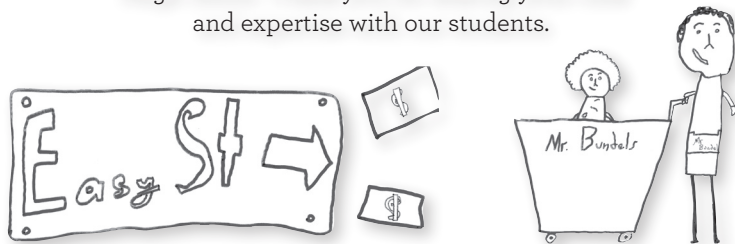
The Guild Builders staff who give of their time throughout the year to plan and implement this program. Without your dedication, this program would not be possible.

All the Guild Builders parents for their time and support to help our seventeenth year to be a success. We have enjoyed working with your children.

Darin Lawrence for creating the life-sized Annies that have traveled around our community. Thank you for sharing your time and many talents with us.

Marsha Mueller and Rod Oden for sharing their special talents with and teaching new skills to the Technical Group.

Our volunteer directors who participated in our Directors Excerpts: Barbara Full, Heather Hepburn, Raquel Jackmond, Bill Knotts, Mark Lanyon, RJ Lowe, Charlie Matthews, and Steve & Paige Smith. Thank you for sharing your time and expertise with our students.



New Start Thrift Mart for loaning us many of the kids' costume pieces. We appreciate your support of the program!

Emily Biles, Sam Miser, Bailey Ream, Michael Ream, Celia Smith, and Haley Thomas - our student assistants who returned to help after graduating from Guild Builders. Thank you for returning this year and giving back to the program.

Beth McClead for assisting with our dog training.

The Parkersburg Art Center for additional classroom space. Without them we would have been dancing in the stairways.

Emily Carr for sharing her gift of accents with our students. Bet your bottom dollar, the students loved the coaching!

The Parkersburg Lions Club for graciously providing a cast party for the Guild Builders students following the last performance.

After the hard work and busy schedules, the food, fun, and fellowship you provide are deeply appreciated!

The Annie Dictionary

Shenanigans: Mischief.

Hard-Knock Life: A tough life.

Mush: A thick porridge or pudding of cornmeal boiled in water or milk.

Hooverilles: The popular name for shanty towns built by homeless people during the Great Depression. Named after Herbert Hoover who was President of the US during the onset of the Great Depression, they consisted of discarded furniture, boxes, and other materials that could be found. In our story, Annie visits a Hooverville when she leaves the orphanage.

Prohibition: The legal act of forbidding something. Miss Hannigan sings about the possibility of the "prohibition of little girls." It can also refer to "the era of prohibition" from 1920-1933 when it was unlawful to manufacture, transport, or sell alcohol under the Eighteenth Amendment. In 1933 the Twenty-First Amendment repealed the prohibition of liquor.

The Great Depression: A period during the 1930s when there was a worldwide economic depression and mass unemployment.

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt: The 32nd US President who served from 1933 until his death in 1945. He is seen in the performance in a wheelchair; in real life, FDR was paralyzed for the last half of his life as a result of polio.

The Roxy: One of the great New York movie theatres of the era.

Duesenberg: One of the grandest luxury automobiles of the era. Today, automobile collectors pay upwards of one million dollars for a Duesenberg.

Gershwins: George and Ira, brothers and composer/lyricist team who took Broadway by storm and then went on to write songs for Hollywood films.

Kaufman and Hart: A playwrighting team who also took Broadway by storm and went on to write screenplays for Hollywood.

Easy Street: An expression meaning wealth and independence.

Living Fat: To enjoy a life of money and comfort

"Bet your bottom dollar": You can be very sure

Jig: A trick.

"The jig is up": The illegal activity has been found out or has come to an end.

Tiffany's: A reference to Tiffany & Co., a famous Fifth Avenue jeweler, still open after over 100 years in business.

Hobo: A homeless person, especially a poor one who travels from place to place.

Dapper Dan: A neat and stylishly dressed man.

Beau Brummell: Slang for a man who is vain about how he dresses and how he carries himself.

Savile Row: A street in London, famous for its tailors.

Midas Touch: Someone with good luck in money and wealth; it references a mythical king who could turn objects into gold with his touch.

J. Edgar Hoover: Director of the FBI from 1924 to the time of his death in 1972.

John D. Rockefeller: (1839-1937) The founder of Standard Oil Company who was a billionaire and philanthropist.

"Turn them over": Slang for "search them for weapons."

Orphanages: Place for homeless children. Though an orphan is a child whose parent's have died not all children in orphanages were orphans. Some families who were especially hard hit by the economics of the time period would leave their children at orphanages until they could afford to care for the child again. In the musical, Annie believes that her parents will one day return for her.

Chrysler Building: Completed in 1930, it was the tallest building in the world until the Empire State Building was completed in 1931. In Annie JR, Miss Hannigan tells the orphans they must scrub the floor until it "shines like the top of The Chrysler Building!" in reference to the shiny stainless steel cap and spire that are on the top.

New Deal: A series of governmental programs and policies established by FDR to attempt economic recovery and social reform during the Great Depression.

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