

Actorsingers Newsletter

OVATION

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Editor: Kerry Schneider

ANNIE

Friday, November 9 – 8:00 pm
Saturday, November 10 – 2:00 pm & 8:00 pm
Sunday, November 11 - 2:00 pm matinee

Tickets: Buy online at www.actorsingers.org
Or call **(603) 320 -1870**

Reserved seats at the Keefe Auditorium
Elm St. Middle School, 117 Elm St., Nashua

\$20 Adults / \$18 Seniors and Students Group Rates available



Directed by: **Dana Bissett Siegal, Donna Tongue and Alice Pascucci**

Producers: **Steve Pierpont, Crystal Lewis and Gretchen Gray** Stage Manager: **Steve Pierpont**
Master Carpenter: **John McAllister** Tech Director: **Dennis Schneider** Accompanist: **Dan Khabbaz**

The Cast:

Annie - **Julia Yameen**
Oliver Warbucks - **Don LaDuke**
Miss Hannigan - **Kerry Schneider**
Grace Farrell - **Rachel Scott**
Rooster - **Ed Siegal**
Lily St. Regis - **Micky Molongski**
Drake - **Craig Plummer**
Molly - **Grace Conard**
Pepper - **Lexi Jones-Guillemette**
Duffy - **Nicole Plummer**
Tessie - **Gabrielle White**
Kate - **Sarah Scott**
July - **Kayla Joyce**

Cecille - **Kathy LeClair**
Annette - **Nicole Ste Croix**
Bert Healy - **Derek DeMarco**
Mrs. Greer - **Sarah Vasques**
Mrs. Pugh - **Martha Daniels Holland**
Bundles/Howard Ickes - **Marc Murai**
Star to Be - **Laura Prior**
The Boylan Sisters - **Amy Agostino, Donna Metzger, Lauren Friedman**
Frances Perkins - **Nicki Molloy Calisto**
Cordell Hull - **Allan Hunter**
Louis Howe - **Bill Mauser**
Marine - **Matt Kendall**
Franklin Roosevelt/Lt. Ward - **Ben Pascucci**

Orphans – **Mary Grabowski, Brooke McLaughlin, Chloe Metaxotos, Caroline Pack, Emily Risteen, Juliann Risteen, Hayleigh Scott and Vienna Scott**

House Staff - **Jordan Friedman, Lizzie Krahenbuhl, Rosemary Mulvey, Stephanie Ross**

Childrens Ensemble – **Bella DeLorenzo, Mary Holland and Ben Morton**

Adult Ensemble – **Pam Bruckman, Jennifer Daniele, Sarah Desaulniers, Diana Hill, Helena Horan, Diane Iwaskiewicz, Whitney LeBlance, Brianna Lopez, Sonya Walcott, Rob Coughlin and Gail Ward**

Thank you to those who served on The Auditioning Board for *Annie*: **Steve Pierpont** (chair), **Craig Brennan, Amy Friedman, Beth Kennedy** and the **three Directors**. Appreciative hugs to aides **Donna Metzger** and **Val Psoinos**.

We need help backstage for Annie!

Please volunteer to help backstage for this production. Ushers (contact Ellie at MissEllie03062@gmail.com), set painting and construction (come down to the hall on Tues, Wed or Sun evenings), running crew (contact Producer Steve Pierpont at unka01@hotmail.com). Remember, Community theater can't function without the community!...and as members, you are the community!

****** MEMBERSHIP ******

Dues for this fiscal year are overdue!! (July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013)

Only those who paid after June 30, 2012 are considered members for this year.

If you were a member in 2011 but did not pay your dues yet for this year, this will be the last Ovation you will receive and you will no longer be considered a member. Please send in your membership dues today!

Mail checks (made out to The Actorsingers!) - \$10 (Individual) or \$15 (Family – all at one address) to:
The Actorsingers, c/o Kerry Schneider, 32 Clearview Dr., Nashua, NH 03062.

Be a proud member of the oldest (and we think finest!) Community Theater group in Southern New Hampshire

Actorsingers Hall Kitchen Shower – Saturday, November 17

With the renovations that have taken place in the Actorsingers Hall we thought it would be fitting to throw the hall a kitchen shower. Date: Saturday, November 17th at The Actorsinger Hall from 7pm to 10pm

A Host and Hostess for the night will be chosen from the guests. This couple will then play “honorees” by opening the gifts and helping us thank the renovations team. If you haven't seen the hall recently, this is a great opportunity.

The event is open to all - members and non-members. Bringing a shower gift is optional, although that will be half the fun! Members are Free and Non-members are asked to donate \$5 to assist with covering the cost of the evening...or pay \$10 and become a member and attend other Social events for free!! Refreshments will be served. BYOB.

In the hopes of not getting 75 cookie sheets, The Social Committee has created a gift registry at Bed Bath and Beyond <http://www.bedbathandbeyond.com> to direct members to the items that the kitchen really needs. The registry is under **First name: actorsingers, Last name: actorsingers**. Not on the registry, but always needed, are dish soap, cleaning products to wipe down the kitchen, dishwasher detergent, papergoods and air fresheners. If something else pops into your mind, go for it! Just come on down to have fun. Hope to see you there.

Lindsay Vago
Chairperson of the Social Committee

GREASE

What a wonderful summer teen show this was – full of energy and fun! Thank you to the College Directors, entire cast, crew and parents. Kudos! Lots of great feedback from fans on this one.

The NHCTA show – ***Love, Loss and What I Wore***

Amy Friedman directed this Actorsingers entry in the New Hampshire Community Theatre Festival in September. Even though we didn't win Best Production this year, both **Cheri Birch** and **Amy Agostino** won excellence in acting awards! Congratulations to the entire cast and Thank you all for representing The Actorsingers. Congratulations to director, **Will McGregor** and Nashua Theatre Guild for having the Best Production.

Curtains

Although we haven't even performed *Annie* yet, The Directors for our Spring show, *Curtains* have been chosen: The Actorsingers welcome **Larry Pizza** and **Kim Cassetta**, **Judy Hayward** (MD) and **Bobby Fonacier** (Choreographer)

Holiday Stroll – November 24

Come Sing with the Actorsingers at the Nashua Holiday Stroll!

The Actorsingers will continue their tradition of providing theatrical and holiday music as part of the Nashua Holiday Stroll and we want you to sing with us! The Stroll occurs on Saturday, November 24th and Actorsingers will be performing at 8:35pm at the Methodist Church. With only 5 rehearsals it is a short time commitment for a guaranteed good time. Rehearsals are scheduled for:

Monday, October 29th 7pm-10pm
Tuesday, November 13th 7pm-10pm
Wednesday, November 14th 7pm-10pm

Monday, November 19th 7pm-10pm
Tuesday, November 20th 7pm-10pm

Laura Prior is organizing the event and **Jaime Feinberg** will be returning as music director. If you are interested in singing with the choir you just need to show up for the first rehearsal. Most of the music has been chosen but we are looking to program some solos and duets so if you are interested please let Laura know so that she can be in touch with you about song choices.

Questions or interested in a solo? Email Laura at secretary@actorsingers.org

Save \$\$\$\$\$ - There is still time to **become a Subscriber** and see both Shows - **Save \$\$\$\$\$**
Annie and *Curtains* – only \$30! Call (603) 888-2837 for details

Condolences

The Actorsingers mourns the death of Life and Charter Member **Jo Millet**, who passed away in September. Jo was the accompanist for many of our productions back in the early years.

To **Anita Kelly** on the tragic loss of her Son.

To **Deb Walz** on the death of her Mother.

To **Dana Bissett Siegal** on the death of her Mother.

Goodbye

Goodbye to **Erik Duchesne** and **Ashley Smith** who are seeking new lives out in California. We wish you the best.

The New Hampshire Theatre Awards – Saturday, January 26, 2013 at The Stockbridge Theatre in Derry, NH. This event brings hundreds of fellow thespians and technical wizards together to celebrate achievements in theatre. More info about a group rate and details of the evening in the next **Ovation**. Our shows, *Annie* and *Chicago* will be in the running for awards. Note the Saturday night date and the new venue!

In and About Town – First – an apology to **Justin Page**, **Nick Masson**, and **Marc McClure** for listing them incorrectly on the *Grease* cast list in the last **Ovation**. By the way, great job, guys! Congratulations to those involved in New Thalian's *Bat Boy* – **Beth Fenske** (Choreographer and Producer), **Jed Holland** (Musical Director), and actors **Cheri Birch** and **Joel Iwaskiewicz**. **Catherine Andruskevich** handled the props and **Jon Fisher** deftly did the special makeup. Wacky show! Over at Stagecoach Production's *Pirates of Penzance* is **Judy Hayward** (Director), **Martha Daniels Holland** (Choreographer) and featured actors **Marc Murai**, **Laura Prior**, **Kathleen Gorham**, **Don Higgins**, **Anne Orio**, **Emma Benson**, **Jen Stanley**, **Steve Harper**, **Mark Schwartzberg** and **Andrew Holland**. **Bill Mauser** lent his tenor voice to the NH Symphoney Chorus in October. **Aimee Robidoux**, **Glen Grimard**, **Lauren Friedman**, and **Joel Iwaskiewicz** were in *An Evening of Unfortunate Entertainment* with Not Your Mom's Musical Theater. Glen is busy doing a musical review with Actors Inc. in Dracut. At the Milford Pumpkin Festivals' talent show, **Sarah Vasques** interpreted music through sign language. For Stagecoach Productions, back in July, **Bob Frasca** sang in *Midsummer Magic, an evening of song*; **Ashley Smith**, **Cheri Birch**, **Jen Stanley**, **Erik Duchesne**, **Don Smith-Weiss**, **Anne Orio**, **Adam Harding** and **Amy Agostino** did *Oregon Country* and Amy just recently finished a run of *Come Back to the Five and Dime, Jimmy Dean*, along with **Jen Sassak**, which was directed by **Michael Coppola**, with **Leo Choquette** handling the props. Out in Exeter, **Don Higgins** was in *1776*. **Will McGregor** (Director of our *Chicago* last spring), was in *All in the Timing* with the Salem Theatre down in MA a few months ago. **Samantha Weis** was Hermia in Alvirne High School's *Midsummer Night's Dream* in August. Concord Player's *Pajama Game* will feature **Barbara Lawler**. Voices of Hope participants **Dana** and **Ed Siegal**, **Laura Prior** and new Member **Rob Couglin** sang at Jordan Hall in Boston while **Steve Pierpont** worked at the event behind the scenes. In August, **Pat Lawrence** performed a one woman show, *Sister Robert Anne's Cabaret Class* for the Stratton Players of Fitchburg, MA and will be in the Christmas opera, *Amahl and the Night Visitors*. **Val Verge** was the costumer of M & M's *Same Time Next Year* at The Amato Center in Milford. A speedy recovery to **Raelene Liljeberg** who is recuperating from foot surgery. Bumped into Actorsingers past President **Alene Bonner** while running an errand in MA this past week. She says hello to everyone and misses participating as much as she used to. Congratulations to **Carol Gorelick** who beautifully chanted *The Haftorah*, a great honor, at Temple Beth Abraham. Also Congratulations to **Howie** and **Jackie Levine** on the recent marriage of their daughter. Good luck to **Ricky Brooks** who landed a job working at The Capital Center in Concord. Congrats to **Val Psoinos** who is engaged and busy planning her wedding. And finally, congratulations to new Grandparents, **John** and **Linnie McAllister**. This grandson makes #7!

A Happy Halloween and early Thanksgiving greetings to all!

Until next time ... news? call Kerry (603) 888-2837 or E-mail ActingKer@aol.com

Hopefully the next **Ovation** will have all the information about the **Jr. Actorsingers show**, performed in late February or early March by children in grades 3 and up.
Check our website, www.actorsingers.org for up to date info

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