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# NEWSIES

THE MUSICAL

NO. 1

**NOVEMBER 2019** 

TWO CENT EDITION

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NEWSIES TAKE OVER GLENCOE-SILVER LAKE ISD #2859 THEATER!



### NOVEMBER 14, 15, AND 16, AND 21, 22, AND 23, 2019

7:00 p.m. ~ Glencoe-Silver Lake High School Auditorium

Directed by Kay Wilson
 Assistant Director/Choreographer Alicia Beste

We will be collecting items for the McLeod Emergency Food Shelf – please bring an item!

#### NEWSBOYS ARE POOR ORPHANS AND RUNAWAYS

JULY 18, 1899

In 1899, the streets of New York City were filled with the voices of the Newsboys. Back then, newspapers were the only types of media in the city. They were the only ways to get information about what was going on in the world. There were two major newspapers sold, 'The New York World' and 'The New York Journal.' These were owned by the two most powerful men in the city of New York, Joseph Pulitzer and William Randolph Hearst. Newspapers usually were sold a "penny a paper." as they would say.

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The Newsboys were made up of mostly poor orphans and runaways. They slept on the streets of New York with no place to go and no families to see. The only way they made money was from selling newspapers throughout the streets of New York. These Newsboys needed to be very persuasive so that they could sell more papers. If they didn't sell enough papers, they would not be able to sell more papers the next day or eat or get any of their important

needs for survival.

#### Music by Alan Menken Lyrics by Jack Feldman Book by Harvey Fierstein

Newsies is produced through special arrangements with Music Theatre International, 421 West 54th St., New York, NY 10019

# Disney's NEWSIES Scenes and Musical Numbers Setting: 1899, New York City

#### Act I

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Overture		Pit Musicians
	Rooftop, Dawn	
	Santa Fe (Prologue)	
	Carrying the Banner	
G 1	Carrying the Banner (Reprise)	
Scene 1	Newsboys' Lodging House & Newsie Square	T 1
α •	Carrying the Banner	Jack
Scene 2	Pulitzer's Office, Afternoon	
	The Bottom Line	
	Carrying the Banner (Reprise)	
Scene 3	A Street Corner	
Scene 4	Medda's Theater	
	That's Rich	
	I Never Planned on You/Don't Come a-Knocking	g Jack, Bowery Beauties
Scene 5	Newsie Square, Next Morning	
	The World Will Know	
	Watch What Happens	Katherine
Scene 6	Jacobi's Deli & Street, Afternoon	
	The World Will Know (Reprise)	
	Watch What Happens	Katherine
Scene 7	Katherine's Office	
	Watch What Happens (Continued)	Katherine
Scene 8	Newsie Square, Next Morning	
	Seize the Day	
	Seize the Day (Tag)	Newies
Scene 9	Rooftop	
	Sante Fe	Jack
	There will be a 15-minute intermiss	ion between acts
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	Act II	
Scene 1	Jacobi's Deli, Next Morning	
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	King of New York	
Scene 2	The Refuge	Davey, Katherine, Les, Newsies
Scene 2	Letter from the Refuge	Crutchie
Scene 3	Medda's Theater	Crutcine
Scene 3	Watch What Happens (Reprise)	Davey Jack Katherine Les
Scene 4	Pulitzer's Office & Cellar, Afternoon	Davey, Jack, Ratherine, Les
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Scene 7	Pulitzer's Cellar	Katherine, Jack
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### **Cast of Characters**

JACK NCHV	Anthony LaPlante	Senior Captain
	Izzy Elias	Anthony LaPlante
	Dan Cross	•
	Devon Eberding	Dance Captains
Les	Max Beste Zehnder	Mackenzi e Kantack and Isabel Petersen
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Race	Dylan Kucera	CyFaith Geiken
Bertie	Isabel Petersen	Curly Grace Brickzen
Specs	Sara Cross	
Henry	Caleb Schmieg	Goons
Finch	Lily Kirchoff	Wendy Barrera, Emma Dostal, Will Hecksel, Lindsey
	Rachael Meyer	Juarez-Ramirez, Elida Roskamp, Emma Petersen
	Trevor Kirchoff	Brooklyn Newsies
	Mackenzie Kantack	Izzy Babcock, Wendy Barrera, Grace Brickzen,
	Emma Gepson	Logan Clouse, Sara Cross, Paige Drew, Faith Geiken,
	Lizzie Schmieg	Emma Gepson, Lindsey Juarez-Ramirez,
	Lucia Beste Zehnder	Trevor Kirchoff, Linette Munoz, Emma Petersen,
	Zoe Ruschmeier	Julia Rakow, Lydia Rakow, Elida Roskamp,
	Jacki e Lemke	Emilia Roskamp, Lizzie Schmieg
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	Julia Rakow	SnyderHal ey Schultz
	Hailey Overman	Guard (Harold)Logan Clouse
	Linette Muñoz	DarcyLindsey Juarez-Ramirez
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	Nuns	LucyZoe Ruschmeier
Sister Mary Sue	Eli da Roskamp	PolicemanLogan Clouse
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Sister Mary Beth	Wendy Barrera	Governor Teddy Roosevelt - Special Guest Appearance
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### **Biographies**

#### Seniors

Trinity Babcock, daughter of Rob Babcock and Nicole Toenies – This year she plays Babs, a Newsie. Last year, she played Willow in Cats. Trinity has enjoyed being a Newsie and says it was really fun being in Cats and in Newsies

Daniel Cross, son of James and Elaine Cross – Daniel plays Davey. In previous performances, Daniel has played Old Deuteronomy in Cats, Johnny Casino in Grease, and Winthrop and Carlos in Legally Blonde. Daniel's favorite memory is seeing the Nun Gang<sup>TM</sup> in full costume.

Izzy Elias, daughter of Laura and Ryan Elias --Izzy plays the part of Katherine Plumber. She has been
in Alice in Wonderland, Legally Blonde, Grease and
Cats. Her favorite memory is the first run through.

Mackenzie Kantack, daughter of Kenneth and Shannon Kantack – Mackenzie plays Medda Larkin and a Newsie 1, she has been in Pinocchio, Shrek, Alice in Wonderland, Legally Blonde, Grease, and Cats. Her favorite memory is just seeing the cast come together as one big family.

Lily Kirchoff, daughter of Philip and Jenny Kirchoff

—Lily plays Finch. She has been Young Fiona in Shrek
the Musical, Two of Clubs in Alice in Wonderland, Kiki
the Hairdresser in Legally Blonde, Cindy in Grease,
Tantomile in Cats, Gossip in Caged Birds, She-Who-IsAlone in Give and Take, and Three of Diamonds in Card
Play. Lily says the best part of being in the fall musical
is getting to know all the newcomers and reuniting with
old friends.

Anthony LaPlante, son of Chad LaPlante and Anne LaPlante – Anthony appears in the role of Jack Kelly. He was also voted the Senior Captain. Anthony has been in musicals – Emmett Forrest in Legally Blonde, Roger in Grease, Munkustrap in Cats – and in One Act Plays – Mr. Thespis in Typecast, and The Ringmaster in Caged Birds. His favorite memory is choreographing the fight scene.

Bennett Lepel, son of Tim and Lisa Lepel — Bennett plays keyboard in the Pit. He also played keyboard for Legally Blonde, Grease, and Cats. He looks forward to playing in the Pit every year. Bennett says there is nothing like having the chance to be a part of something that so many people have put so much work into.

Rachael Meyer, daughter of Cathy and Michael Meyer – Rachael plays the part of Cordi. Rachael played Baby Bear in Strek, was in Alice in Wonderland, i Grease, and Electra in Cats. Rachael tell us she has been in GSL musical theater for six years now! She has loved getting closer to the underclassmen and watching the show come together.

Claire Witte, daughter of Brian and Jeri Witte. Performed in Prairie Fire Theater's productions of A Midsummer Night's Dream, Snow White, and Pinocchio. Performed in State Fair musical at Mayer Lutheran. Costume Manager for Cats.

#### **Juniors**

Wendy Barrera, daughter of Islam and Carolina Barrera – Wendy plays a Goon, a Nun, and a Brooklyn Newsie. She has been in the ensemble in *Grease*, the Great Rumpus Cat in *Cats*, was in the ensemble in *Give and Take*, and Jackson in *Card Play*. Her favorite memory has been of being with all her friends backstage.

**Devin Everding, son of Randy Everding, Cicley Laidlaw** – Devin plays Crutchie. He has played
Kenickie in *Grease*, Gus in *Cats*, Jack Flash in *Card Play, Bolivar in* 110 Stories, *Nanabozo/ Shepherd/Yohey* (voice)/ensemble in *Give and Take*.
His favorite memory is doing "World Will Know" on stage.

Summer Hayes, daughter of Purple and Kelly Hayes – Summer is an Assistant in the Pit. She was in the chorus in *Alice in Wonderland* and *Legally Blonde*, and an Assistant in the Pit for *Grease* and *Cats*. She has enjoyed listening to the cast sing "Seize the Day" for the first time.

William Hecksel, son of Jason and Karen Hecksel – You will see William in the role of Pulitzer. He has also been Sonny in *Grease* and *Growltiger* in Cats. His favorite memory has been of playing the part of Pulitzer.

**Drew Hedtke, son of Todd Hedtke, Susie Hedtke** – Drew plays bass guitar in the Pit. He has also played bass guitar in *Cats* and in *Grease*. Drew loves to play baseball!

**Dylan Kucera, son of Tammy Kucera** – Dylan plays the part of Racer in *Newsies*. He has also played Macavity in *Cats* and Vince Fontaine in *Grease*. His favorite memory, honestly, is the fact he has a cigar and can dance in boots. He wishes everyone a good day.

Eli Kuehn, son of Scott and Carla Kuehn – Eli plays trombone in the Pit. He has been Lowell in *Legally Blonde* and Eugene in *Grease*. Eli's favorite memory is of getting to watch the show develop offstage.

#### Juniors continued

Hailey Overman, daughter of Mark and Lisa Overman – Hailey plays the role of Springs. She also has appeared in *Cats*. Her favorite memory this year has been learning the dances.

**Jacob Paul, son of Jerry Paul, Kim Paul** – You will find Jacob in the role of Mr. Jacobi and the Mayor. He has performed in the One Act Play as King Reginald in *Card Play*. Jacob's favorite memory has been getting a chance to interact with people he never talked to before. He thinks this is really awesome.

Emma Petersen, daughter of Shawn and Lisa Petersen – Emma plays a nun and is a Bowery Beauty. She has been an orphan in *Annie*, a flower in *Alice in Wonderland*, a Delta Nu in *Legally Blonde*, in the ensemble in *Grease*, Officer Hernandez in *110 Stories*, Cassandra in *Cats*, in the ensemble for *Give and Take*, and Queen of Hearts in *Card Play*. Emma's favorite memory is singing through the songs with everyone.

Isabel Petersen, daughter of Beth and John Petersen – Isabel plays Bertie, a Newsy. She has also appeared as Little Alice in Alice in Wonderland, a sorority girl in Legally Blonde, a cheerleader in Grease, and Tantomille in Cats. She has really loved getting to know the new people who have joined and says we have had a lot of fun.

Lydia Rakow, daughter of Marc and Monica Rakow – Lydia plays the part of Mush, one of the Newsie members. This is her first time in the musical. She tells us her favorite thing about musical practice is when we dance. It is so exhilarating and fun to have so many people on the stage at a time. It is also fascinating to see everyone working together. In her free time, Lydia loves to sing, dance, and be outdoors. She wants to thank her parents for always encouraging her to try new things and work hard. She also wants to thank the people who invested their time into this production and made sure it was a great experience.

Caleb Schmieg, son of Corinne and Dale Schmieg – Caleb plays Henry, a Newsie, and Seitz. This is the first musical Caleb performed in. His favorite memory has been working with a great group of people. He says thank you to Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Iverson for a great musical. He has had a lot of fun this year!

Haley Schultz, daughter of Ryan and Tabetha Schultz – Haley is cast in the role of Snyder. Her favorite memory is of getting to yell at people in the musical for her part.

**Reagan Spears, daughter of Lynn and Corey Spears** – Reagan plays Bunsen, and is a Nun. Her favorite memory is meeting a lot of new people and making new friends.

#### **Sophomores**

Izzy Babcock is the daughter of Rob Babcock – She plays Spot Conlon and is a Group 2 Newsie named Iz. Her favorite memory has been of Najor, and "The World Will Know."

Logan Clouse, son of Vicki and Jason Clouse – Logan plays Nunzio, a Brooklyn Newsie, and a Guard Policeman. He has previously performed as George and Growltiger Pirate in *Cats* and as a School Dropout Angel and a Greaser in *Grease*. His favorite memory is of acting out the bottom line.

Sara Cross, daughter of James and Elaine Cross – Sara appears as Specs in the musical. This is her first show at GSL, but she has also performed in *Mary Poppins Jr* with Great! Theatre program and in *Bye Bye Birdie* with the Chaska Valley Family Theatre. Her favorite memory has been getting to be in a show with her brother, Dan Cross.

Paige Drew, daughter of Wade and Jennifer Drew

-Paige plays Booker, a Scab, and a Brooklyn

Newsie. This is her third musical production, but her
first musical production with GSL. She loves playing
the flute, percussion, piano, or any other instrument
you give her. She also loves singing in choir. She
tells us she spends her winters traveling as a
wrestling team manager and photographer, and she
also has a great love for animals.

Faith Geiken, daughter of Pat and Brenda Geiken
– Faith is a second Scab, tap dancer, and Brooklyn
Newsie. This is the first production she has
performed in at GSL, and she has enjoyed all the fun
they had during practice. Faith says she is excited and
honored to be part of this cast!

Emma Gepson, daughter of Peter and Nicole Gepson – Emma performs in the role of Buttons. She also has performed as Jemima in *Cats*. Her favorite memory is of seeing it all come together.

Carly Major, daughter of Sue and Dean Major – Carly is one of the hardworking crew members. Her favorite memory is of cleaning the scaffolding.

Linette Muñoz, daughter of Constancia Velasco and Guillermo Muñoz – Linette is Dimples, a Newsie in Group 1. This is her first musical performance, and she has enjoyed making more friends.

**Zachary Reichow, son of Tanya and Dennis Reichow** – Zach is responsible for the sound and works out of the booth behind the auditorium. He ran the lights for *Cats*. Zach's favorite memory is of teaching Sabas to use everything in the booth.

#### Sophomores continued

Elida Roskamp, daughter of Nichol and Corey Roskamp — Elida is a Bowery Beauty and a Nun. She was a Delta Nu and a news reporter in Legally Blonde, a Rydell Kid and an angel in Grease, was Pouncival and a Peke and Pollicle dog in Cats and played the Two of Spaces in the Card Play for the spring play of 2019. Elida's favorite memory was getting their Bowery Beauty dance mostly down without anyone's help.

Elizabeth Schmieg, daughter of Corinne and Dale Schmieg – Elizabeth plays Splasher and is the part of the Stage Manager. She also appeared in *Cats* as Admetus. Her favorite memory is of the first rehearsal and being so excited when hearing everybody sing.

Nicole Washburn, daughter of David Washburn and Caryl Washburn – Nicole is one of the hardworking crew members. She says she doesn't have a favorite memory so far.

Rebekah Welch, daughter of Daniel Welch and Amy Welch – Rebekah is one of the busy stage crew members. She also was in the stage crew for Cats. Her favorite memory of the musical is tying newspapers.

Zoe Ruschmeier, daughter of Trisha & Dan Wanous, and Peter & Wendy Ruschmeier -- Zoe is Hannah, Pulitzer's secretary and Big Z the Newsie. Zoe has been in Cats, Her favorite memory is the cast party and bonding with everyone.

#### Ninth Grade

Emma Dostal is the daughter of David Dostal and Angela Dostal — You will see Emma on stage as either a Newsie 2 or as a Goon. She ran a spotlight for Grease and played Silibub in Cats. Her favorite memory is when a cast member said "crunchy" instead of "Crutchie." She wants us to know that the cast is like family.

Lindsey Juarez-Ramirez, daughter of Dolores and Salvador Juarez-Ramirez – Lindsey plays Darcie, a Newsie, and a Goon. In Cats, she was a member of Growltiger's crew. Her favorite memory is of friends and team building.

Trevor Kirchoff, son of Jenny and Phil Kirchoff — Trevor appears in the role of Romeo. He has appeared on stage as a Teen Angel in *Grease*, and as Alonzo in *Cats*. Trevor also has performed as a baker in *The Emperor's New Clothes* and was Captiano in *Pinocchio*. His favorite memory is being his character and all the fun people and dances in the musical.

#### Ninth Grade continued

Jackie Lemke, daughter of Mary and Jon Lemke – Jackie plays Jo Jo and is a tap dancer. She played Carbucketty in *Cats*. Jackie says her favorite memory is of seeing everybody back and creating new bonds.

**Julia Rakow, daughter of Marc and Monica Rakow** – Julia is Cadger in the Group 1 Newsies. She played Victoria in *Cats*. Her favorite memory has been when we ran through the whole show for the first time.

Sabas Rangel, son of Sabas Rangel and Gisela Rangel -- Sabas runs the lights from up in the booth. His favorite memory was doing the show for the little kids and just watching them enjoy the show.

#### **Eighth Grade**

Lucia Beste Zehnder, daughter of Alicia Beste and Jason Zehnder – You will see Lucia in the role of Tommy Boy. This is her first musical at GSL. Her favorite memories have been all of it!:)

Thomas Drew, son of Wade and Jennifer Drew – Thomas is helping us shine brightly again this year by manning the spotlight. Thomas also did the spotlight for *Cats* in 2018.

Ashton LaPlante, son of Chad LaPlante and Anne LaPlante – Ashton plays Morris. He was Victor in *Cats*. His favorite memory is of punching Jack (his brother Anthony). He tells us staying healthy is important for cast and crew members!

Riley Spears, daughter of Lynn Spears, Corey Spears – Riley is one of the hard-working stage crew members.

Aleisha Teubert, daughter of Tina and Pete Teubert – Alisha is Richmond in the musical. Her favorite part of this musical was going to rehearsal and seeing everyone just fit in and feel so happy singing and dancing.

Joe Urban, son of Dina and Chris Urban --

Joe plays the newsies, Urbs and he did the spotlight for *Cats* last year. He really enjoyed the cast party!

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#### Seventh Grade

Savannah Bonderman, daughter of Valerie and Jefferey Bonderman – Savannah plays Woody in Newsies Group 2. She played a baby elephant bird in Seussical the Musical. Her favorite memory was of carrying the banner dance. Savannah wants us to know that she plans to be in the musical for the rest of her years at GSL.

Grace Brickzen, daughter of Bill and Sue
Brickzen – Grace is a Scab, Brooklyn Newsie and a
dancer in Newsies. She was a fairy in Pinocchio
when she was in third grade and did Treasure Island
with Mr. Wilson. Her favorite memories are of all the
dancing and meeting so many new people. Grace
says this is her first high school play, and she really
enjoys it! She is also very glad her parents supported
her so super much through it all.

Erika Brinkmann, daughter of Tom and Jennifer Brinkmann – Erika is Manhatten in Newsies Group 2. This is her first year in musical. She says her favorite part was the auditions. She is having a good time during the show.

Caroline Dostal, daughter of Angela and David Dostal – Caroline plays Buss in Newsies Group 2. She doesn't have a favorite memory yet.

#### Seventh Grade continued

Avril Kosek, daughter of Larisa Kosek and Gary Kosek – Avril is a Bronx Newsie in Group 2. She doesn't have a favorite memory at this moment in time.

Luke Schmieg, son of Dale and Connie Schmieg – Luke has the role of Oscar Delancy. This is his first time on stage. His favorite memory is of beating up the Newsies, and he has enjoyed watching the Newsies rehearse.

#### **Elementary Students**

Yocelin Juarez Ramirez is in 6th grade, and her parents are Salvador and Dolores Juarez Ramirez – She plays Buddy, a Newsie. Yocelin's favorite part of the musical is being in the show and going to practices. She tells us she wants to be a baker when she grows up.

Maxwell Beste Zehnder, son of Alicia Beste and Jason Zehnder – You will find Max on stage as Les. His favorite musical experience has been getting to know everyone and working his character.













#### Additional Biographies

Rob "Monkey Shines" Babcock: Rob was involved in set construction for Newsies and has two daughters in the cast – Izzy and Trinity Babcock. In his real life, Rob works as a chef at Lake Winds in Chaska. He is also a part-time content creator on Twitch.

Aidan Buck: Aidan has played in Beauty and the Beast and Fiddler on the Roof in the Waconia High School musical program. Aidan was selected to All-State Jazz in 2019-20 and is a member of Minnesota Youth Jazz Band.

Alicia Beste: Alicia Beste and her husband Jason Zehnder live in Glencoe with their four children (Lucia-13, Beatrice-11, Winnie-9 and Maxwell-7). She has performed with and done choreography for a number of local theater groups including the GSL Panther Association, Hutchinson Theatre Company, CentreStage (NYA), and Dassel-Cokato Community Theatre. She has done choreography for many GSL High School shows (Thoroughly Modern Millie, Beauty and the Beast, Seussical the Musical, Annie, Footloose, Shrek, Grease and Cats). Alicia is the GSL Early Childhood Family Education Director/Parent Educator and enjoys reading, traveling and spending time with her family. She would like to thank the students, families, and communities of GSL for their continued participation and support of the fall musical program.

Valerie Bonderman: Valerie lives in Glencoe with her husband of 34 years and her 13-year-old daughter. She has four other grown children, one new daughter-in-law, and two beautiful grand-children. She has been the Costume Director (designer, tailor, hunter, etc.) for the past nine years and it has never stopped being fun and challenging for her. This year, especially, was a challenge with finding enough "newsboy" hats for the large cast. She thanks her family, people who donated costumes and accessories, and all the cast, crew, and director for their help, patience and enthusiasm.

**Jeff Iverson:** Mr. Iverson recently completed his 14th year teaching in the Yellow Medicine East School District and is beginning his first year at

GSL. A native of Glenwood, MN, he received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the U of M-Morris Educational Leadership from Southwest Minnesota State University and his Ed Specialist degree and has degrees in vocal and piano performance with K-12 teaching licensure in vocal, classroom, and instrumental music. He earned a Masters in in administration from SMSU as well. He is a staff member of the Minnesota Ambassadors of Music Choir, having traveled to Europe with the group seven times. He also enjoys musical theater and has appeared in or directed over 40 productions. He would like to thank the cast, crew, and directors for making him feel welcome here at GSL. The students are hard-working and fun to work with!

Becky Peterson: Becky is a preschool teacher at Green Isle Community School. She plays clarinet in the *Newsies* pit band. Becky participated in theater each year in high school, but really enjoys playing in the pit, too. She also loves playing her bass clarinet for church. Someday, she wants to learn to play flute and saxophone, but not today.

Dawn Peterson: Dawn is church secretary at Christ Lutheran in Glencoe. She retired from GSL after 23 years as a secretary. She is responsible for the musical programs and photos and has done them for many years. She has always been a theater lover and has spent a lot of quality time in the GSL High School Auditorium when her children were involved in theater and music. Her favorite part of the musical is seeing the students when they audition and following their journey to opening night. The transformation is amazing!

Kay Wilson: Mrs. Wilson has been directing shows at GSL since the mid-80's. She recently retired from the 7-12 choir position but ended up back at GSL teaching the "little ones", K-2 Music at Lincoln Elementary. While she certainly misses the choirs, she has really enjoyed working with the K-2 students. When not painting the set, teaching, or playing piano, Mrs. Wilson enjoys working outside, doing projects and spending time with her family.

Randy Wilson: Randy has been helping on the sets for many years. He enjoys coming in and watching how the kids develop. He is the 7-12 Industrial Tech teacher at GSL and Mayor of Glencoe. Mr. Wilson also directs the Christ Lutheran Church Handbells and Choir and the Litchfield Area Men's Chorus.





