Brookfield Central High School Theater Department
Proudly Presents

STRANGE BOARDERS

Brookfield Central Black Box Theater
April 25 - 28, 2018 | 7:00PM
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Applause past president Michelle Gross joins us in welcoming Toni Kroeplin as our new president.

Thank you both for your service to the fine arts at Brookfield Central High School!

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Cordelia ................................................................................................................................. Sophie Michalski
Amity Haines .......................................................................................................................... Anna Griffith
Priscilla Haines .......................................................................................................................... Kara Olander
Captain Winkle ....................................................................................................................... Robert Purnell
Professor Harriman ................................................................................................................. Sasha Pavlovic
Boston Benny ............................................................................................................................ John Fatla
Myrtle Hodge ............................................................................................................................... Julia Craig
Smiley ........................................................................................................................................... Melanie VanHaren
Candy Fenway .............................................................................................................................. Grace Eimerman
Lon Daggett ..................................................................................................................................... Tyler Meulemans
John Todd ....................................................................................................................................... Henning Mahn
The Deacon ...................................................................................................................................... Vaughn Goehrig
Glory Fenway ................................................................................................................................... Hannah Quinnney
Joey ................................................................................................................................................... Nikki Ranney
Susie ................................................................................................................................................ Jennifer Blackburn

PRODUCTION PERSONNEL

Director ........................................................................................................................................ Daniel Pronley
Production Coordinator ............................................................................................................. Honore Schiro
Production Manager .................................................................................................................. Chelsea Russell
Stage Manager .............................................................................................................................. Hope Jackson
Assistant Stage Manager .............................................................................................................. Lilly Hayward
Tech Manager ................................................................................................................................... Nick Herrera
Lights ............................................................................................................................................... Ava Jorgensen
Sound ............................................................................................................................................. Astrid Merritt
Costumes ......................................................................................................................................... Katie Delwiche
Hair and Makeup ........................................................................................................................... Lauren Langeberg
House Manager ............................................................................................................................. Miranda Gross
Box Office Manager ..................................................................................................................... Callie Hedtke
Banner Design ................................................................................................................................ Jennifer Blackburn
Lobby Display Designers .............................................................................................................. Emma Geiser, Anna George
Stage Crew ....................................................................................................................................... Angelina Gagliano, Mariah Becker, Emma Geiser, Anna George, Sam Cobb, Jeremy Janka, Olivia Koeplin, Jackson VanLue, Meghan Hedke, Thomas Richards

Hannah, it is so fun to enjoy this part of your life with you!

Love Mom, Dad, and Landon
Break a leg Grace!

FROM YOUR 1ST SCHOOL PRODUCTION THRU YOUR LAST, YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN OUR STAR.

LET YOUR BEAUTIFUL LIGHT SHINE.

With love,

MOM, DAD, JACK AND BETH
**BIOGRAPHIES**

**Hope Jackson** is excited to be the stage manager for her third BCHS Spring play. Previously she was in stage crew for *Apollo’s Overture*, *Cinderella*, and *Cyrano DeBergerac*. She would like to thank Mr. Pronley and Mrs. Schiro for putting much time and effort into the BCHS theatre department.

**Lilly Hayward** is positively delighted to be the Assistant Stage Manager for the spring play. Lillian is a freshman here at Central, and some of her favorite theatrical experiences include *Beauty and the Beast Jr.*, *Peter Pan Jr.*, *Anything Goes*, *Shrek Jr.*, and last but certainly not least, the fall musical, *Cinderella*. Lillian would like to thank her cats, Panera, green tea, parents, friends, and Mr. Pronley for everything they do, and for supporting her in her theatrical adventures. She hopes you have a fabulous time at *Strange Boarders***!!!

**Jack Fatla** is so excited to be able to perform in this years spring play! John plays Boston Benny. He has recently been a part of BC’s productions of *Cyrano De Bergerac* and *Fashion*. Since John is only a Junior, he can’t wait for another year of BC theater. John would like to thank his friends and family for all their endless love and support, as well as Mr. Pronley, Hope Jackson and the whole production team. John would also like to thank the production manager, Chelsea Russell, for being an absolutely phenomenal production manager.

**Jenn Blackburn** This will be Jennifer Blackburn’s fourth and final production at Brookfield Central, after playing Millinette in the one-act *Fashion*, Artemis in *Apollo’s Overture*, and Roxanne in *Cyrano de Bergerac*. She looks forward to exciting new theater opportunities to possibly pursue in college and will cherish the memories of the shows here.

**Julia Craig** is so excited to once again join the BC theater department in this years spring play! Julia is a junior, and is storming the stage as the delightful Mrs. Hodge. She has recently been a part of this years musical *Cinderella* as well as last year’s play *Apollo’s Overture*. Julia would like to thank her friends and family for all their support and Mr. Pronley for giving her another opportunity to perform!

**Vaughn Goehrig** is a junior at BCHS, who first joined theater as Christian in the school’s production of *Cyrano de Bergerac*. He is ecstatic to be playing the Deacon for this year’s spring play and hopes that everyone will enjoy *Strange Boarders*.

**Sasha Pavlovic** is a junior at Brookfield Central and will be playing the role of the professor. Sasha has participated in many
musicals thus far including *Oliver* where she was the rose seller, and in *Cinderella* where she played Marie the fairy godmother. She is extremely excited to be performing in her first play at BC, and would like to thank her friends and family for always being so supportive, and everyone involved in making the play so wonderful.

**Anna Griffith** is a junior at BCHS and is incredibly excited to be playing Amity Haines. She has been involved in theater since elementary school. She was recently involved in BC’s productions of *Cyrano De Bergerac* as Cyrano and *Cinderella* as ensemble. Her favorite former roles include Ms. Lynch from *Grease*, Yente from *Fiddler on the Roof*, and Maria in *West Side Story*. She would like to thank Mr. Pronley, the cast and crew, and her friends and family.

**Grace Eimerman**, a senior, is ecstatic to be portraying Candy in her very last high school show. Having done theater since she was 4, this has been a very bittersweet experience. Her favorite past roles include Louise in *Carousel*, Ariel in the *Little Mermaid*, the Ringmaster in *Elephant’s Graveyard*, and her most recent role as the Enchantress in *Beauty and the Beast* at Sunset Playhouse. She would like to thank the fun cast and crew and the amazing Daniel Pronley for all of their support and grueling work. This has been the perfect way to close the curtain on this chapter of her life, and she will miss BC theater greatly.

**Sophie Michalski** is a senior this year, and this is her eleventh production here at BCHS. Some of her past roles include Charlotte the Evil Stepsister in *Cinderella*, Betty in *The Foreigner*, and Widow Corney in *Oliver*. She would like to thank all of her family and the amazing people she has had the pleasure of considering her family through her four years of productions at BC!

**Henning Mahn** is thrilled to be in his third and final spring play at Brookfield Central. He’s been seen in other Brookfield Central productions as Apollo in *Apollo’s Overture*, Prince Topher in *Cinderella*, and Count DeGuiche in *Cyrano de Bergerac*. He’s also performed at Sunset Playhouse in *Little Shop of Horrors* and *She Loves Me*.

**Tyler Meulemans**, who is playing the role of Lon, is excited to be in the Brookfield Central spring play. He has proudly been a part of Brookfield Central’s productions of *Peter Pan and Cinderella* and is honored to cap off his senior year with *Strange Boarders*. He thanks all the people who have supported him through each show.

**Kara Olander** is thrilled to appear in her last show at BCHS taking on the role of Priscilla! In addition to theater at BC, including the recent role of Madame in *Cinderella*, she also enjoys performing at Sunset Playhouse. In the fall, she plans to study film at Columbia.
College, Chicago. She would like to thank everyone involved for making her last show one of the best!

Robert Purnell is so so unbelievably excited to take part in the comedy this year! He’s been in Apollo’s Overture, Cinderella, and Cyrano De Bergerac until now, and he can’t wait to make you laugh during this play. He is a senior this year, and is playing the role of Captain Aloysius Winkle. He would love to thank Mr. Pronley for always making the cast laugh as well as directing the entire production, his family, friends, mythical creatures, and God for helping him along the whole way.

Nikki Ranney is thrilled to be making her black box debut as Joey. A senior, Nikki has graced the musical stage for the last four years, most recently seen as Gabrielle in Cinderella. Most often seen behind the scenes during the spring shows, Nikki offers thanks to Mr. Pronley for giving her a chance to test out her acting chops, and also for giving her the title of Art Director. She hopes you enjoy the show!

Chelsea Russell, a senior, is thrilled to be the Production Manager for Strange Boarders. Chelsea was last seen in Cinderella: The Final Dress Rehearsal as a member of the Fairy Godmother’s Entourage and in Cinderella as a primary dancer. This is her first experience branching into crew and it has been an absolute pleasure. She would like to thank Mr. Pronley and Mrs. Schiro for this amazing opportunity to learn and be involved in the theatre, the cast and crew for becoming her second family, and to everyone in the audience for coming to see the show!

Mariah Becker This is Mariah’s senior year and though this is her third play at BCHS, this is her first time as an official crew member! On the stage, she had the awesome opportunity to participate as a cast member. In last year’s spring play, Apollo’s Overture, she loved playing the Fate of the Past. And this year, she couldn’t wait to play “behind the scenes” and rejoin her old friends as well as make new friends through crew in another Brookfield Central production. Mariah would like to thank her family and friends for always supporting her.

Angelina Gagliano, a senior, is excited to be in the crew for the spring play Strange Boarders! This is her ninth theatrical production at BCHS. Angelina would like to thank Mr. Pronley for his guidance and support as well as the rest of the production team and cast, the show is nothing without their hard work and dedication. Enjoy the show!

Melanie VanHaren is a junior at BCHS and her second year in the theater department. She was ensemble in the musicals Oliver! and Cinderella. In addition, she was an ensemble member in Cyrano de Bergerac and House Manager for Apollo’s Overture. She would like to thank her parents and her friends for supporting her. She hopes you enjoy the show!
Hannah Quinney is a junior at Brookfield Central and will be playing a “lively and precocious girl” by the name of Glory Fenway. She would like to thank Mr. Pronley for his outstanding skills and endless energy that he brings to the theater. She would not be where she is without his effort and hard work. Besides this production, Hannah has performed in previous shows put on by Brookfield Central including the spring play last year. As the lead, this part made her grow so much as an actress and genuinely thanks Mr. Pronley for everything. She hopes the audience enjoys this pure comedic production of Strange Boarders with endless laughter.

Nick Herrera is excited to help out with lights and sound for his 11th production. Previously he was in stage crew for Apollo’s Overture, Cinderella, and Cyrano DeBergerac. he would like to thank Mr. Pronley, and Mrs. Schiro for putting much time and effort into the BCHS theatre department.

We’re very proud of you, Vaughn!

We love you,
Nana and Grandpa
Princess Sophie,

When you are lucky enough to find your passion, you must have the courage to pursue it.

And know that each of us has a unique PART to play!

Loved ‘ja x infinity,
Mom, Dad, and Sadie
To our dear Sasha...

We could not be more proud of you!!

We wish you Godspeed in all you do. Break a Leg!

Love you more, Yiayia and Deda

Nikki – It’s been fun watching you over the last four years and we are very grateful for a phenomenal Brookfield Arts program.

We are very proud of you!

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Welcome to the 2018 Brookfield Central Spring Play! The BC Theater department is experiencing tremendous momentum this year with record student participation and audience attendance at all of this year’s productions: Cinderella, Fractured Fairy Tales, and Cyrano (One Act). We are also extremely excited to announce that this year, Elmbrook School District is running their first ever Summer School Theater program. It will take place here at BC in the Black Box and start right away in June.

I selected *Strange Boarders* for this year’s Spring Play for two reasons. First, it was a complicated comedy and it is not well-known, which gave us the freedom to experiment with the script interpretation and stage direction. As I explained to the 45 students that auditioned for this production - we would have to work really, really hard to get this right. Comedy, done well, with all the funny script lines, required precise timing, and complicated blocking can be more challenging than some stage musicals and dramas.

I am very proud of these students and truly blessed to be in this role. I challenged each and every one of them, and EVERY cast and crew member exceeded my expectations. What the parents and students probably don’t know is that most of the time I feel I get more out of this experience than the students do.

When the lights go up on the stage for Act 1 Scene 1, most in the audience might see the finished product as the “best part”. As a director, my favorite part starts on audition day and continues to blossom and grow everyday afterward as these actors memorize lines, remember blocking and motivation, and become part of a TEAM of actors that ultimately depend on each other for lines, entrances, downbeats, laughter, looks, and blocking.

The BC Theater department (with the wonderful guidance and financial assistance from Applause and Elmbrook School District) is also excited to announce that the fundraising efforts for the purchase and installation of Telescopic seating has been completed. All the funds needed have been raised and with district approval the seating has been ordered and installation is tentatively scheduled for in the next few months. I encourage you to look around the space and please note other exciting improvements/additions”: a new lighting truss with 20 new LED lights, an improved light and sound booth in the back of the Black Box, a theater display case and slideshow monitor in hallway, and exciting photos from past performances in the Black Box entry way. All of these improvements would not be possible without financial assistance and unending support from you: the audience. Thanks for coming and thanks for supporting “live” theater.

Please sit back, relax, laugh a lot - and thank you again for your continued support of the Brookfield Central Fine Arts program.

Daniel Pronley (Director)
You’re the **STRANGEST** boarder there is...
That’s why we love you so much!

Break a leg,

**HENNING!**

Love,
Mom, Elsa, Blake,
Gma, and Gpa
Good luck to the very talented cast and crew of “Strange Boarders”

Sasha Ann Pavlovic

Words cannot do justice to how proud we are of you. You are all that we ever wanted in a daughter...

Always loving you more, Mama, Papa, Ivan and Otis
## Special THANKS to all who donated to the BC Black Box Telescopic Seating Campaign

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Charles Fromage wishes the cast and crew of Strange Boarders tons of fun while you’re clowning around.

Charles E. Fromage
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Anthony Schiro, Proprietor

Opening the Summer of 2018
In Loving Memory of Tom Thaney

With deepest gratitude for his years of teaching dedication and theater guidance to the students of Elmbrook (30 years - 1967-97: Hills, BC, Pilgrim Park)

“All who knew Tom were positively impacted by his kindness, gentle spirit, generosity and creativity. A 50 year career as an educator/theater director reflected his passion and dedication to teaching, directing and inspiring students. Tom’s reputation for excellence was far reaching.”