



Hard work, excitement come with lead roles

By Carly Williams

Those who attend the annual spring musical are usually quite impressed with the overall production, particularly the lead roles. But what exactly it is like to perform a lead part?

In 2013 Alexis Pawlewicz and Mitch Lalik wowed the crowds as Dolly Gallagher and Horace Vandergelder in *Hello Dolly!* while last year Kaitlyn Kinney and Brad Crofoot did the same as Georgia and Frank Cioffi when they performed the lead roles in *Cur-tains!*

This year those responsibilities will fall squarely on the shoulders of senior Lexi Abelgore and junior David Houck as the leading roles of the upcoming musical *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. Both Abelgore and Houck agree that it does get exhausting having such a big part in the musical. "We all

get a little bitter sometimes, but we all cry when it's over," Abelgore stated in regard to her lead role of Millie Dillmount. Playing the lead male part of Jimmy Smith, Houck added that, "I get exhausted at times. It is a lot of work. It's worth it in the end though."

Of course preparing for the musical is

tough on the whole cast, but especially the main parts. "The whole cast feels pressure but having a lot of dialogue and solo songs definitely ups the pressure a little bit for me," Abelgore said of her upcoming role as Millie. On the flip side, "The pressures are different for being a lead," Houck noted. "But I wouldn't say that there is more."

The cast all have inspirations that helped them get to where they are today. "I'm always inspired by the directors, and the crew," Houck stated. "They do this for a living and they're amazing at it." For Abelgore there are many past actors from Quirk's Players who have inspired her. "People like Nick Pike, John Rizzo, and Dan Hanczyk from the class of 2008," have all been an inspiration, according to Abelgore. "Also, Devon Niccoli and Amber Whelsky," she added.

It is a given that there are many challenges that come along with being a lead, but, the positives always outweigh the negatives. "I like being a role model for the younger cast members. I want them to remember me as someone who was always there for them and who always worked hard," Abelgore said of her final Quirk's Players performance. "Knowing that some

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Senior Lexi Abelgore, left, and junior David Houck will be out on the ledge, both figuratively and literally, as the lead roles in *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. (Kelly LeVea photo)

Meet the Cast: Thoroughly Modern Millie

Alexia Abelgore

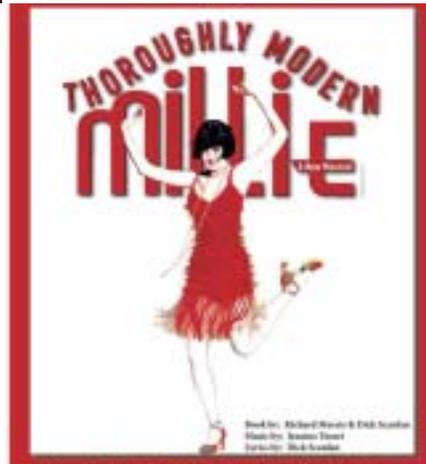
RND's own Lexi Abelgore performed in her first show with Quirk's Players at ten years old and now, eight years later, she will be playing Millie Dillmount in *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. She has starred in six productions with Quirks as well as being on tech crew for *What the Bellhop Saw*. She most recently played Bambi

Bernet in *Cur-tains* and Olga Berrosiva in *The Pink Panther*. She highly recommends coming to see this show. She notes, "This show has been so much fun to work on.



It's very energetic. The audience will love it."

It's showtime!



Quirk's Players
present:
Thoroughly
Modern Millie
Thurs & Fri March
5-6
@ 7:30 pm
Sat March 7
2 pm & 7:30 pm
GRB Auditorium

Opinion

Today's invisible money can be tomorrow's headache

By Chelsie Knopp

The danger and risk of using credit and debit cards must be brought to the attention of the holder, especially considering the fact that businesses are offering debit cards as a form of payment to their workers and many teens are seeing this as a convenience.

In early 2000 the overall use of credit and debit cards increased as a whole and with the amount of convenience they offer there is no reason it should not have, what needs to be kept in the holders mind is that this also makes theft easier.

A debit card does require a four digit pin number or the last four numbers of your social security number to access funds, however a credit card does not. One can simply memorize the number on the back of the card and punch it in when purchasing an item. They also do not call for any type of pin number or verification to use it; all that is necessary is a swipe and a signature.



“It is important that young adults realize this sooner than later, because later could be a situation with debt up to their heads and no way to mend the problem.”

Teenagers, this is for you: you may be getting ready to invest in a credit card due to the level of convenience, yet during the ages of 18-25 credit scores can become a major problem.

Why? Because people buy cars and houses and other large expensive goods, but when it comes time to pay off these luxuries they struggle and often miss deadlines, affecting their credit scores. In the long run a bad credit score will directly affect one's ability to receive loans and/or financial help later on in life.

That is why it is best to only buy things you need and to do so using actual paper money that you have on hand to avoid having to go through the process of paying something off at a later date. Or, if you cannot seem to gather all of the money at once, wait until you have worked out a payment plan that is realistic and can be achieved within the time allotted.

It is important that young adults realize this sooner than later, because later could be a situation with debt up to their heads and no way to mend the problem.

What's happening at G. Ray Bodley High School?

There will be a **Lacrosse meeting** today in room 203 (Mr. Beckwith) from 2:30-3:15 for JV and Varsity Boys who are interested in playing. In addition, a pencil is **REQUIRED!**

The **Senior Class** officers meet every Monday after school in room 125 and all seniors are welcome to attend.

Physicals for spring sports will be available today. Students are reminded to be on time for their appointments.

French Club, German Club and Spanish Club students are reminded that window painting and snow sculptures have been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 10 from 2:30-4 pm. Sign up with your LOTE teacher.

Any boys who missed sign-ups for **Outdoor track** should see Mr. Wasacz in room 101. Any girls who missed sign-ups should see Ms. Sharkey in the back gym.

For anyone interested in trying out for **JV or Varsity baseball**, please sign up with Mr. Tombs in room 233 during the day. He will also be in room 233 after school until 2:45 every day.

Anyone interested in playing **football in the fall** should come to an important meeting after school on Tuesday, March 10 in Mr. Rothrock's room 209.

A representative from **Cayuga Community College** will be in the guidance office on Friday, March 13 at 8:30 am to meet with interested students.

What's for lunch?

Today: turkey hotdog on a bun with whipped potatoes, corn and applesauce cup

Friday: Fish sticks with a roll, baked beans, broccoli and mixed fruit cup.

Book now for the prom and dinner dance!

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In the News

LOTE classes make plans for Foreign Language Month

Along with bringing in the much anticipated season called spring, March is the month of Languages Other Than English (LOTE)! And at G. Ray Bodley High School that means that there will be a number of activities planned both in and out of class to celebrate languages and to show that learning languages can go farther than just the classroom.

“We just wanted languages to be a bigger part in the school,” stated French teacher Mademoiselle Coleman. G. Ray Bodley is one of the few schools in the area to still offer three foreign languages to its students.

Windowing painting was planned to take place after school on March 3, but due to

after school activities being cancelled, the window painting will now take place after school on Tuesday, March 10.

Friday March 13 is Show off Your Heritage Day. Students and staff alike are encouraged to show their heritage by wearing the colors of their ancestry. For example, if your family is Italian, red, white and green would be an ideal color combination for your outfit that day.

Monday, March 16 is Monday Fun Day Fondue Day. All LOTE classes will be having fondue parties. The French classes will have chocolate fondue, and the Spanish and German classes will have a variety of cheese fondues. Anyone can bring in “dippers” to

taste the fondue in class as well. After school, all of the fondue will be available to try with whatever you brought in.

On Monday, March 23 the GRB News will feature the LOTE program, along with some of the students who participate in the LOTE program, explaining what they love about their language class and what activities they will do in it.

Teachers will also be sharing their experiences with “been there, done that,” which is designed to illustrate the many ways that learning a foreign language can make a difference in a person’s life.

By Maggie Williams

Leads are hard work, a great experience

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little kid in the audience will watch me perform and want to be like me.”

But when all is said and done, the experience of performing such a big part is a great feeling for both Houck and Abelgore. “It’s an awesome experience, I love the shows every year,” Houck said. Abelgore agrees that “It’s really fun. Everyone hopes to grow

up and play a lead role, so it’s cool that that dream came true for me.”

The excitement is building for this years show. The Quirk’s Players never fail to impress, and it is expected that this year won’t be any different. Come see *Thoroughly Modern Millie* tonight or Saturday at 7:30 pm, or check out the 2 pm matinee on Saturday.

Send us your pictures of the Red Raiders in action

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* NHS inductions

* Clubs

* Winter sports
all needed ASAP

Front and center, through the years

Lexi Abelgore and David Houck will take their place in Quirk’s Players lore this weekend when they join this impressive recent list of leading ladies and men.

2014: Kaitlyn Kinney and Brad Crofoot as Georgia and Frank Cioffi in *Curtains!*

2013: Alexis Pawlewicz and Mitch Lalik as Dolly Gallagher and Horace Vandergelder in *Hello Dolly!*

2012: Kassandra McCann and Nathan Deavers as Lolo and Joe Hardy in *Damn Yankees*

2011: Chelsea Avery and

Nathan Hawthorne as *Beauty & the Beast*

2010: Clare Bawarski and Travis Cowart as Maria and Capt. Georg VonTrapp in *The Sound of Music*.

2009: Clare Bawarski and Andy Baldwin as Winnifred & the Prince in *Once Upon A Mattress*.

2008: Sarah Arnold and Nick Pike as Tevye & Golde in *Fiddler on the Roof*

2007: Devon Niccoli and Dan Hanczyk as Sandy and Danny in *Grease*.

2006: Amber Whelsky and Nick Pike as Cinderella and Prince Charming in *Cinderella*.

Quote of the day:

“The only source of knowledge is experience.”
-Albert Einstein

Easter Fact of the Day

Each year there are 90 million chocolate bunnies produced.



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Do you think we should be able to wear hats in school ?



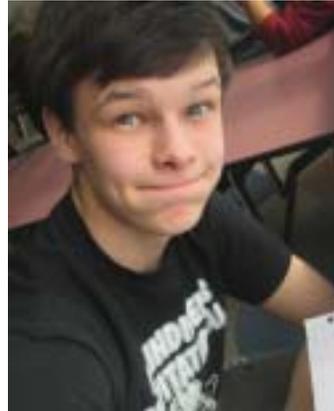
"No. I feel like it is disrespectful."

Mr. Stalker



"No, people could get head lice."

Shania Phillips



"Should have the choice."

Mitchell Labeef



"Yes, as long as it's not during the pledge."

Roy French

Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



Cloudy with snow.

13°

Average: 39°
Record: 71° (1976)

Tonight:



Cloudy with snow.

2°

Average: 21°
Record: -8° (1948)

Tomorrow:



Cloudy with snow.

17°

Average: 39°
Record: 67° (1946)

Former GRB student and current SUNY Oswego junior Carson Metcalf is an aspiring Meteorologist. Look for his daily weather forecasts for Fulton on RaiderNet Daily.