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TRY IT - YOU'LL LIKE IT

by Phoebe VanScoy Giessler

Some Whos and a Horton,
Some birds, a Kangaroo,
There's Yertle and Grinch,
And Wickershams, too.

Yes, the theater's alive
All the crew gets to tinker,
We're putting on Seussical,
It's all 'bout a Thinker.

You'll want to get tickets,
At Blacks or online,
The seats will be full,
(Hopefully with YOUR behind!)

When the pit band strikes up
Your heart it will pound,
And you'll realize that this
Is the best show around.

"This cast is astounding!"
Is what you will say.
"Sets, costumes & dancing,
They blow me away!"

Don't miss out on this,
You'd feel like a fool,
You want to spend time
In the Jungle of Nool.

And now we move on
To the un-rhyming part
Where you'll actually learn
What you sought from the start....

SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL, by Tony winners Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty (*LUCKY STIFF*, *MY FAVORITE YEAR*, *ONCE ON THIS ISLAND*, and *RAGTIME*), lovingly brings to life all of your favorite Dr. Seuss characters, including Horton the Elephant (Paul Stewart), The Cat in the Hat (Phoebe VanScoy-Giessler),

Gertrude McFuzz (Meghan Burns), lazy Mayzie (VP newcomer Becca Antonakos), and a little girl with a big imagination—Jojo (Olivia Gubitose). The colorful characters transport us from the Jungle of Nool to the Circus McGurkus to the invisible world of the Whos.

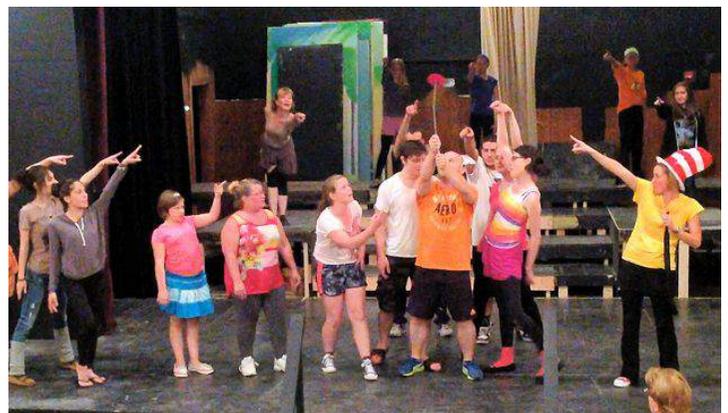
The production team is led by director Kathleen Hill as well as producers Jay Sydow and Cate Poole. Musical direction is by Keith Belanger and the VP newcomer Ashley Halsey is choreographer. Russ Ellis is pulling double duty as the assistant director and stage manager. Jay is bringing the fanciful settings to life as set designer and Deb Jones is in charge of costuming this cast of (practically) thousands in bright and delightful get ups with Bobbi Boudman's help.

The rest of the Seuss-tastic characters will be animated with gusto by Christine Meulhausen (Sour Kangaroo), Mary Gubitose (Young Kangaroo), Kaylin Dean, Rebecca Gronski, & Jeanne Puglisi (Bird Girls), Christian Boudman and Nettie Vaughn (Mr. & Mrs. Mayor), Corky Mork (General Schmitz), Bob Rautenberg (Grinch & Yertle the Turtle), Danny Catalano, Becca Connelly, Chris Debiase, Mike Lionetta, Emily Marsh and Corrine Porter (Wickershams). The ensemble, which will act as Jungle Animals, Whos, Circus McGurkus performers, and Fish include: Brooks, Campbell, Ava Duymazlar, Mary Peternel, Katie Lesnyk, Maggie May Shaw, Kristi Neiman, Polly Vaillant, Jackson Boudman, Olivia Fiorini, Chrystal Gavreau, Elliott Giessler, Ruby Hargy, Sandy Hargy, Susan Hirtle, Madison Palmer, Nolan Urguhart, and Barbara Wilson.

This production is sponsored in part by Bruce and Kris Gurall.

Tickets are \$15 and are now available at www.village-players.com. You can also purchase them at Black's on Main Street in Wolfeboro or maybe at the door if we do not sell out.

PLEASE NOTE, THIS PRODUCTION STARTS AT 7:30PM ON FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS.





by James Adams

Prepare to have your blood chilled with our *Halloween Horrorfest* double feature on October 18th! We will be showing two Vincent Price classic horror films, *THE HOUSE OF WAX* and *THE PIT AND THE PENDULUM*. This will be a one night only event at 7pm with a brief 20 minute intermission between films. Then as the cool fall weather brings us to the winter, let us reflect back to the warm summer months with *ON GOLDEN POND*, with Henry Fonda in his Academy Award winning role, also starring Jane Fonda and Katherine Hepburn. We will then end our 2014 movie season with the Christmas classic *THE POLAR EXPRESS!* We hope you will bring the whole family to enjoy this holiday film, and there will be a surprise treat for all the children who attend! The complete schedule and show times on our website. Tickets are \$5.00 each (Popcorn \$2 and Bottled Water \$1), so it's affordable to take a family to the movies!!! Tickets can be purchased with a credit card or Paypal only on our website at www.village-players.com (tickets are posted after the first of the month for each show), or tickets can be purchased with cash or check at the door starting one hour before the movie. We hope to see you there!

WORK WEEK-END SEPTEMBER 13 & 14

Wish you were here. We're having such fun and feeling good about it at the same time. Maybe next time.

This time, Becky Bense, Carol Bense, Christian Boudman, Gay Ann Cooney, Kaylin Dean, Russ Ellis, Corky Mork, Diane Mork, Cate Poole, Joshua Spaulding and Jay Sydow volunteered their time to help get some badly needed repairs and maintenance underway.

What got done? The finishing coat of white paint was put on the inner lobby ceiling, walls and woodwork. The wall board work was completed in the light booth. The weights were corrected on the pocket door going from the auditorium into the side room so we no longer have to prop it open. The door opening onto the handicapped ramp was repaired. The ceiling tiles which had been stained by a leak were replaced with new ones. Almost all of the floor boards were returned to the floor over the insulation opening and most of the furniture was organized and placed where it can be seen and reached. There remains about a quarter of the opening which needs boards cut to fit and then screwed down so that the room can go back to completely normal.

It was very satisfying work. We thank everyone who helped and the building committee which organized the work week-end.

VP BITS news about members etc.

Welcome a pretty new Penny. This is Violet Mae Penny, brand new daughter of Lisa and Kreg Penny.

Bob and Joyce Wood celebrated their 25th anniversary with a trip to explore the Outer Banks area in North Carolina.

Long-time member, **Brooks Campbell**, has moved back to Wolfeboro from Keene and you will see him in our fall musical, *Seussical*.

Diane Sullivan fell back in July and fractured her right wrist and elbow. She is healing now, but it's a long process. Send your good vibrations in her direction.

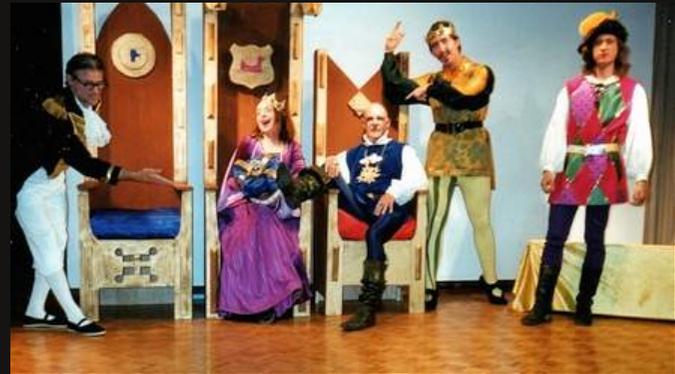
You may not be aware, but **Kaylin Dean** jumped in a pool, hit her knee on a float and put herself in a brace for a few weeks. Gamely, she completed rehearsals for *Caught In The Net* from a seat in the audience with her foot propped up until dress rehearsal when she limped back onto the stage. If you saw the show, you might have noticed her walking a bit slower than usual, but she completed every performance without a hitch. You go, Kaylin.

Phoebe VanScoy-Giessler is also working her way back from knee surgery. She is hopping around the stage in *Seussical*, so maybe soon she will be back to running marathons.

If you have news about current or former Village Players, please forward it to cwbense@roadrunner.com.



BLAST FROM THE PAST



Maybe you have seen these "thrones" up in the Pooh Bah. Here they are in use for *The Ugly Duckling* which we presented 20 years ago

This photo shows Wayne Gehman, Susan Pohl, Dan Charlton, Chris Tancrede and Michael Wilfert

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Contact Carol Bense - cwbense@roadrunner.com or 569-1396 - if you have changes in your address or email, or if you are unsure about your membership status.

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ANNUAL MEETING - NOVEMBER 16

It's that time again. This year our Annual Meeting will be held on November 16th at 5pm. Please save the date. We will have a wrap-up of the year's activities, elect officers for 2015, and share a pot-luck dinner. Do come and share information, food and fun with your fellow members. And, of course, we need your vote for the elections.

You can also use this opportunity to have a voice in the operation of our organization. What are your thoughts on the directions we have taken in the past year? What do you think about the movies? What do you think about the productions we have offered? Of course you are always welcome to attend the board meetings which are usually held on the first Monday of the month, but here is another venue to voice your opinions.