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MSJA's "Grease"!

Cast List:

Abby Alisesky
 Carolyn Arnold
 Sophia Balaratna
 Jaylen Baron
 Margaux Barrett
 Laura Bennett
 Gianna Branca
 Teleri Broomhead
 Tim Buchanan
 Chris Careno
 Maya Charles
 Giovanna Consiglio
 Sean Corr
 Mackenzie Craig
 Michael Demski
 Neil Devlin
 Ali Dobbs
 Elizabeth Dolich
 Grace Eckert
 Madeline Eiser
 Anna Emma
 Nora Furletti
 Brianna Garcia
 Anna George
 Michael Giuliano
 Kitty Grogan
 Daniel Habboush
 Ryan Hartey
 Taj Jacobs
 Caroline Jakubik
 Patrick Jakubik
 Nadine Lampe
 Amanda Lamphere
 Maura Langella
 Elizabeth LaRue
 Alexa Leckrone
 Madison LoStrocco
 Lucia Macoretta
 Erin Maguire
 Francesca Marrone
 Ella Martin
 Avery Massanova
 Maura Mayhew
 Michael Mendte
 Aidan Melinson
 Jake McCabe
 Lucas McCabe
 Jenna McCrea
 Maura McDonald
 Molly McKenna

By Elena Granda '21 and Jenny Seminack '21

"Last year everyone died... this year everyone dances!" said Mrs. Maggie Doyle, director of the Mount's fall 2018 musical, "Grease." This high-energy musical about the lives of high school students in the fifties is a stark contrast from last year's musical "Les Mis." There are definitely situations in "Grease" with which everyone can relate: tackling common high school problems such as identity issues, cliques and complicated relationships—this is not a show to miss!

Even though the story takes place in the fifties, the cast and director discussed how the characters are relatable to high schoolers today. Mrs. Doyle said, "It speaks to the angst and pleasures of being a teenager, whether it was the 1950's or 2018." Senior Amanda Lamphere, who plays the role of Sandy, said that she spent a lot of time contemplating how to best portray her role.

"As I delved into the character, I realized Sandy is not as simple as she seems. She's soft yet has moments of strength. She is one of the

only characters that stands up to Rizzo, arguably the toughest character. The whole show Sandy is continually trying to find herself, and it's been an amazing experience getting to explore aspects of myself while exploring the role of Sandy," she said.

Neil Devlin, a senior at Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School, plays the male lead Danny Zuko. "When I started this process, I was worried that I didn't relate to Danny enough to play him. However, having dug into the script so much and invested myself in this character, I now realize we have a lot in common. . . . What makes him so special is that at his core, he truly is a nice guy who doesn't know exactly what he wants. All he knows is that he wants everyone to be happy with him. He's complex, confusing and challenging to approach as an actor but I have loved every moment of creating him."

Throughout the show, the cast of "Grease" performs fun classics that everyone will recognize. When asked about their favorite musical numbers, both instructors and performers consistently mention "Summer Nights" because it is such an iconic song that features

both the T-Birds and the Pink Ladies. Musical Director Mr. Donald Holdren has a special memory of "Summer Nights."

"The first time we sang through 'Summer Nights,' I knew we had a fantastic show," he said. "The energy in this cast is amazing, and that song really characterizes how special this particular group is." Any cast member will tell you that by the end of the night, the audience will be dancing in the aisles and singing in their seats!

The cast of "Grease" cordially invites you to come and enjoy the show with them on November 2, 3, 8, 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. and November 4 at 2 pm. Devlin said, "I hope the audiences have a joyous night in the theater. 'Grease' is filled with fun and nostalgia, but I want people to also take it seriously. In high school, everything that happens to you is a first—whether it be a first love, a first car or first heartbreak. Everything in high school is a matter of life and death (until you're older and realize it wasn't that big of a deal). I hope they see the nuances and the subtleties of these characters, and I hope it reminds them of fond memories!"



November 2, 3, 4, & 8, 9, 10



Directors:
Mrs. Maggie Doyle
and Mr. Fran Doyle

Musical Director:
Mr. Don Holdren

Choreographer:
Ms. Kathleen Ochs

**Technical Director/
Stage Crew:**
Ms. Julia Miller



Olivia Nocifo
 Michael O'Neill
 Jake Pensabene
 Maggie Pensabene
 Christie Perkins
 Matt Poole
 Dina Rathke
 Grace Rowello
 Haley Stefanik
 Adriana Stepien
 Amilyn Thomas
 Matt Tomlinson
 Grace Toriello
 Will Vanni
 Annmarie Wallace
 Colleen Yezzi
 Declan Young
 Maggie Ziefel

Orchestra:

Alyssa Charlton
 Bella Goebel

Stage Crew:

Elena Barton
 Elizabeth Birmingham
 Kendall Bocket
 Sophia Digregorio
 Mary Duffy
 Molly Eckert
 Cecilia Funchion
 Philomena Guiliano
 Cristina Glenn
 Evelyn Haines
 Anna Huber
 Mary Kearney
 Christina Kelly
 Margaret Kuffner
 Justine Lampe
 Meg McCann
 Gina Princivalle
 Julia Schalleur
 Angelina Scott-Rodriguez
 Nasya Stinson
 Katie Timberlake
 Shannon Tobin
 Nicole Woods