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PRESENTS

# THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK

by  
Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett

with

Nate Carlson	Tess Engerman	Meghan Monroe
Charlie Cervanka	Brenden Dodds	Nora Tresemer
Zach Davies	Addisyn Ganz	Jack Voreis
	Maddie Johnson	

**Directed by**  
Jason Fontanetta

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Dear Friends of Geneva's Theatre Productions:

Welcome to Geneva Community High School's performance of *The Diary of Anne Frank*. Our cast and crew have dedicated themselves to the creation of this production and they've had a lot of fun doing it. Their commitment to our drama program underscores the rich tradition of excellence and success in our performing arts endeavors. I also want to thank our team of directors for their enthusiasm and commitment to our students.

We are extremely fortunate to receive tremendous support from the Geneva High School Theatre Boosters. Please consider supporting them by becoming a member and volunteering your time. They enrich our students' experiences by making things like this playbill possible and have been enhancing our theatre program with other "extras" for many years now. They would appreciate your help.

Thank you very much for your support as loyal patrons of Geneva's theatre productions. We hope you enjoy the performance!

Sincerely,

**Tom Rogers**  
*Principal*

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**Break a leg, Tess! We are so proud of you - your star shines so brightly!  
Love - Mom, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa, and Huey**

*Kaylee we're so proud of you & believe that you can do whatever you reach for!*

**Rani, you are doing a wonderful job!**

*Jack Voreis: Break a Leg in your final Fall Play. May the words of Anne stay in your heart. "Despite everything, I still believe people are good at heart". We are so proud of you!*

*Mom, Dad, Katie and MC*

**Katie Voreis: All of your hard work has paid off. The show looks great!  
May the words of Anne stay in your heart. "Despite everything, I still believe people are good at heart". We are so proud of you!  
Mom, Dad, Jack and MC**

## DIRECTOR'S NOTE

The Diary of Anne Frank is a story I've wanted to tell for a long time and I'm very privileged to be able to do so now - as the Anti-Defamation League reported a record high number of antisemitic incidents in 2021 and as *The Diary of Anne Frank* has been challenged and censored many times since its publication in the late 1940's. However, the story endures due to the common themes - the dreams of the young, the worries of parents, the strength of family. It also serves as a reminder that the Jewish people who survived the war did so with the help of others who were not of the Jewish faith - a lesson that we are responsible for the well-being of those around us regardless of our differences.

We hope you enjoy our production of *The Diary of Anne Frank* and, as always, thank you for supporting the performing arts.

- Jay Fontanetta, Director



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## SCENE BREAKDOWN

### Act 1

Scene 1	November, 1945
Scene 2	July, 1942
Scene 3	Two Months Later
Scene 4	Two Months Later
Scene 5	December, 1945

### Act 2

Scene 1	January, 1944
Scene 2	One Month Later
Scene 3	A Few Weeks Later
Scene 4	A Few Weeks Later
Scene 5	November, 1945

## SHOUT OUTS

**Nora we are so proud of you! We can't wait to see you and the rest of the cast in Diary of Anne Frank. Congratulations and break a leg! Love Mom, Dad and Ella**

*Zach we are so proud of you and have had a blast watching you be in shows for the past four years! Enjoy every moment and keep shining!*


**Nate, We are so proud of you, always! Keep showing the world how amazing you are! Love, Mom, Rach, Molly and Sarah**

*Meghan, who would have thought that the little candle you lit years ago doing performances on the landing would throw its beams to this weekend's performance? Break a leg! Love Mom & Dad*

**Koi, We've watched in amazement as your talent has developed and continues to grow. Keep up the hard work. Love, Mom and Dad**

*So proud of you Kelly!*

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### Winter Showcase



December 16th

### Spring Musical

Title TBD  
March 16th - 18th

### Viking Revue

May 13th



## CAST

### Cast Members

Anne Frank ..... Tess Engerman  
 Mr. Frank ..... Charlie Cervanka  
 Mrs. Frank ..... Addisyn Ganz  
 Margot Frank ..... Maddie Johnson  
 Mr. Van Daan ..... Zach Davies  
 Mrs. Van Daan ..... Meghan Monroe  
 Peter Van Daan ..... Brenden Dodds  
 Mr. Dussel ..... Jack Voreis  
 Miep Gies ..... Nora Tresemer  
 Mr. Kraler ..... Nate Carlson

### Production

Director ..... Jay Fontanetta  
 Assistant Director ..... Drew Longo  
 Technical Directors ..... Andy Cozzi  
 Olivia Frullani  
 Costume Coordinator ..... Stephanie Nemeth  
 Light Design ..... Jay Fontanetta  
 Student Director ..... JN Sowinski  
 Asst. Student Director ..... Kaitlyn Huminski  
 Asst. Costumer ..... Liam Karth  
 Stage Managers ..... Luca Colburn  
 Rani Foard  
 Poster Creation ..... Andrew LaCost  
 Playbill Cover ..... Corinne Stanuch  
 Cast Photographer ..... Emese Ori  
 Cast Meals ..... Stephanie Tresemer

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## CAST

### Production (continued)

Tech Crew ..... Arielle Benjamin  
Mia Bruno  
Warren Cooper  
Sophi Coronado  
Lili Corbett  
Charlie Hart  
Kelly Jaros  
Isabella Jorgensen  
John Kozlowski  
Koi Lapsley  
Alex Martin  
Matthew Peerless  
Olivia Reich  
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A heartfelt thank you to the Geneva community who has so proudly supported our theatre program here at Geneva High School for many years. Thank you to those businesses who have made this playbill possible by advertising with us.

To our beloved audience, the cast, technical crew and directors have worked endless hours to entertain you. We hope you enjoy the show.

### **A Special Thanks To**

*Tom Rogers, Lisa Stone, Melanie Major, Kathy McDonald and the GHS administration for their continued and tireless support of our Theatre program.*

### **Emese Ori for Cast Photos.**

*Andrew LaCost for the Poster Design.*

### **Corrine Stanuch for the Playbill cover.**

*Geneva Woodshop teacher Jay Markuson and his students Dale Waggoner, Braden Gilsinn, Dylan Clark and Charles Winterhalter for their creation of our new Front of House signage.*

### **The GHS Security and Custodial Staff for their invaluable help and support.**

*ALL the parents of cast and crew! We couldn't do it without your talented kids and YOUR support.*

### **Atlas Chicken Shack, Mario Pizza, Villa Verone and Riganato's for feeding a hungry cast and crew during Tech Week.**

*The English Dept., All Dressed Up Costumes, Al Meyer at North Riverside Players, Dan Sherman, Dave Omelka, Lauren Fontanetta, Dave Miller, Jessica Heinrich, Bob Cercone*

**Thank you to the 2022-2023 Theatre Boosters, committee members and volunteers. We appreciate everything you do to support the students and directors throughout the entire season.**

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## WHO'S WHO



### **Tess Engerman**

*as Anne Frank*

Tess is overjoyed to be playing Anne Frank in "Diary of Anne Frank." This isn't the first time Tess has performed on the GHS stage, she was recently seen in the Winter One Acts and "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." Outside of the stage, Tess likes to play piano, sing and hang out with friends. Tess would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her!



### **Charlie Cervanka**

*as Mr. Frank*

Charlie is thrilled to be a part of yet another GHS production! Their favorite roles have been Uncle Fester and Centipede, and they hope you enjoy the show!



### **Addisyn Ganz**

*as Mrs. Frank*

Addisyn Ganz is a sophomore at GHS and in her second year with the Geneva theatre program. She also is a member of the GHS choir program. Addisyn has been participating in theatre for 9 years and some of her favorite past roles include Olive in The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee and Matilda in Matilda!



### **Maddie Johnson**

*as Margot Frank*

Maddie has been actively involved in theatre for the past seven years. Some of her favorite roles are Lady Tremaine (Cinderella), Genie (Aladdin), Mrs. Gloop (Willy Wonka), Nala (Lion King), and Lucy (Charlie Brown Christmas). In her free time, Maddie enjoys hanging out with her friends, singing, playing the piano, drawing, and painting. Maddie would like to thank everyone involved with putting on this spectacular show and hopes you enjoy the performance!

## WHO'S WHO



### Zach Davies

*as Mr. Van Daan*

Zach has had so much fun rehearsing and preparing for this show! He's loved being in this wonderful cast and can't wait to continue the rest of this theater season with them! This will be his seventh show here at Geneva and he couldn't ask for a better start to the season! He also is a big part of the choir program here at GHS! He hopes you all love the show!



### Meghan Monroe

*as Mrs. Van Daan*

Meghan is thrilled to be performing in her sixth production here at Geneva! She has previously featured in roles such as Helena in A "Midsummer Night's Dream", Annabeth in "The Lightning Thief", Amber in "Hairspray", the Evil Stepmother in "Cinderella", and many more. She would like to thank the production staff and the crew for making the show so great, and she hopes you enjoy the show!



### Brenden Dodds

*as Peter Van Daan*

Brenden is very excited to be a part of this production of The Diary of Anne Frank. He's been very active in GHS' theatre with roles in Addams Family, Midsummer Night's Dream and How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying! Brenden would like to thank his family and friends for their support and his fellow cast members and directors for this awesome experience. He hopes you enjoy the show!



### Jack Voreis

*as Mr. Dussel*

Jack feels bittersweet about his final GHS play. He has done many shows such as *Addams Family* (Lurch) and *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying* (Biggley). Jack loved the challenge of performing his first drama and is excited to perform the role of "Mr. Dussel" in this wonderful show. Jack would like to thank his family & friends for cheering him on, the Cast and Tech for working behind the scenes because they made the show possible!

## WHO'S WHO



### Nora Tresemer

*as Miep Gies*

Nora is so excited for her last play at Geneva. Theater has been such a big part of her life and she is grateful to be a part of this amazingly talented cast. Her most memorable roles have been Taylor McKessie in High School Musical, Earthworm in James and the Giant Peach, Ado Annie in Oklahoma, and Moth in A Midsummer Night's Dream. She would like to thank her parents, friends, directors and her job for giving her the time off.



### Nate Carlson

*as Mr. Kraler*

Nate is enjoying being back on stage at GHS. This is his third production, and he can't wait! Previously appearing in performances such as Aladdin, High School Musical, and more, Nate is delighted to take on another play. He would like to thank Mr. Fontanetta for putting on a great show, and the whole cast for being uplifting, inspiring, and great people.

