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Dear Friends of Geneva's Theatre Productions:

Welcome to Geneva Community High School's performance of *The Addams Family - A New Musical*. Our cast, crew, and directors have devoted themselves to the creation of this production, and they've had a lot of fun doing it. Their commitment to our drama and music programs underscores the rich tradition of excellence and success in our performing arts endeavors. I am proud of all them for making this happen during this challenging year.

We are extremely fortunate to receive tremendous support from the Geneva High School Theatre Boosters. Please consider supporting them by becoming a member. 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

GO-TO GREEN SMOOTHIE

2 SERVINGS - 10 MINUTES

ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups Unsweetened Almond Milk
- 2 cups Baby Spinach
- 1/4 cup Protein Powder*
- 2 tbsps Almond Butter
- 1 Apple
- 1/2 cup Frozen Banana
- 2 tbsps Whole Flax Seeds
- 1 tsp Cinnamon
- Ice Cubes (optional)

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directions

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- Thank you to Fagans Graphic Design & Printing for their design and printing of the playbill.
- Special thank you to Denise Cowett for her design of the artwork for the playbill, and posters.
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- Thank you to Kim Ayars for beautiful photography of our production members and directors.
- Thank you to Mr. Rogers for his positive encouragement and support of the performing arts.
- Thank you to Lisa Stone, Christina Estrada and the entire office staff for their tireless support.
- Thank you to Laura Sprague and all the employees and board members of Geneva School District 304 for their endless help.
- Thank you to the GHS security and custodial staff for their invaluable help throughout the entire theatre process, from auditions through the actual recording of the production.
- Thank you to ALL the parents of cast, pit and crew. We couldn't do it without your talented kids and YOUR support.
- Thank you to the 2020-2021 GHS Theatre Boosters, committee members and volunteers. We appreciate everything you do to support the students and directors throughout the entire season.

Special Thank You

- Special thank you to Lily Mehren for her tremendous help as costume assistant.
- A standing ovation for the incredible Directors, Ms. Kate Woodruff and Ms. Jessica Palmisano; Tech Director, Mr. Jon Richert; Pit Director, Mr. Pat Frederick; and Choreographer, Mr. Kyle Donahue.
- Special thank you to Emma Olson for all her help and dedication as the Student Director. We couldn't have done it without her!

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Congratulations to our 2021 graduating class.



We couldn't put on these fabulous productions without each of you.
Best of luck in your future!

Liz -

Dream big. Shine bright. Dance & sing always.

Love you! Mom



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for the 2020 - 2021 Season**

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Reed,



We can't believe this is your last show at GHS! We have loved watching you perform in every production. We are amazed and proud of how much you have grown and changed over the years. Break a leg!

Love, Mom, Dad, & Marcella



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Directors' Notes

Family and Friends of Geneva High School,

Could the finale “Move Towards the Darkness” be any more fitting for a year such as this? After 3 semesters filled with uncertainty and some anxiety, we could not be more delighted to present to you our creepy, kooky musical filled with joy, dance breaks, and all sorts of gothic goodness. We have been patiently waiting to put this show on for years and feel this cast is nothing short of perfect. We hope it brings the light and love to your days that it has brought us.

We would like to thank the incredible GHS Theatre Boosters team that has always supported us in our vision and goals from the moment we decided to trudge on with a pandemic musical. We would also like to thank Tom Rogers and the GHS staff and administration for all of the encouragement and trust they've displayed since this directorial team took the lead in 2018. Last but not least, we would like to give a shout-out to our dazzling leadership team: Pat Frederick, Jon Richert, Kyle Donahue, and student director, Emma Olson.

This show encapsulates so many of the values that have been prevalent and essential in this past year: family, identity, and a whole lot of love! As Gomez laments, “Wednesday’s growing up”, we get a bit weepy! This cast has done so much growing over these tumultuous times and been nothing but brave, positive, and inspiring to us as directors.

We have been itching for over a year to show you all of the talent that these students have and were not able to show off in the spring. So, thank you for your patience and thank you for your support. Full disclosure, we'd do it all again! Enjoy.

Sincerely,

Kate Woodruff (Director)

Jessica Palmisano (Music Director)



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Cast

Gomez Addams Nicolas Amat
 Morticia Addams Ella Kobylecky
 Wednesday Addams Katie O'Brien
 Pugsley Addams Zach Davies
 Lucas Beineke Andrew Perez
 Alice Beineke Maddie Gartrell
 Mal Beineke Reed Anderson
 Uncle Fester Charlie Cervenka
 Grandma Addams Carley Messino
 Lurch Jack Voreis
 Cousin Itt/Dance Captain/Bridesmaid Ancestor Alli McCall

Ensemble

Bride Ancestor Grace Atkinson
 Flapper Ancestor Molly Carlson
 Pirate Ancestor Brenden Dodds
 Flight Attendant Ancestor Hannah Hendrian
 Mob Boss Ancestor Liam Karth
 First Mate Ancestor Liz Karth
 Hippie Ancestor Christine Kelly
 Nurse Ancestor Kayla Mason
 Hippie Ancestor Becca Spezzano
 Cavewoman Ancestor Jenna Sowinski
 Caveman Ancestor Sam Yingst



Liam -

Warning...Subject to spontaneous outbursts of song and dance!

Love you! Mom

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Scene List

ACT I

When You're An Addams Full Cast
 Fester's Manifesto Fester
 Two Things Gomez
 Wednesday's Growing Up Gomez
 Trapped Gomez, Featured Dancers
 Pulled Wednesday
 One Normal Night Full Cast
 But Love Fester, Ensemble
 Secrets Morticia, Alice, Female Ensemble
 What If Gomez
 What If (Reprise) Pugsley, Grandma
 Full Disclosure Part 1 Full Cast
 Waiting Alice
 Full Disclosure Part 2 Full Cast

ACT II

Just Around the Corner Morticia
 The Moon and Me Fester, Female Ensemble
 Happy Sad Gomez
 Crazyer than You Wednesday, Lucas, Mal, Alice
 Not Today Gomez
 Live Before We Die Gomez, Morticia
 Tango de Amor Gomez, Morticia
 Move Towards the Darkness Full Ensemble

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Pit Orchestra

Pat Frederick - Orchestra Pit Director



Flutes

Reed 1 (Fl./Picc.) – Alene Maxstadt
 Reed 1 (Fl.) – Hannah Bernhard

Clarinets

Reed 1 – Maeve Petersen
 Reed 2 – Kate Aldridge
 (clar. & bass clar.)

Alto Saxophone

Reed 1 - Helen Olechowski

Soprano/Tenor Sax & Flute

Reed 2 – Sean Chalmers

Trumpets

Andrew Berry
 Ethan Williams

Trombone/BTN./Bass TBN.

Angelina Kekev (Tbn.)
 Matt Styra (Btn./Bass Tbn.)

Violins

Ia – Nathaniel Davison
 Ib – Olivia Schleyer

Cello

Michelle Gain

Bass

Thor Eysturlid

Percussion

Matt Ostergard
 Nico Gonnella

Keyboard

Keyboard I – Steven Meyer
 Keyboard II – Niels Eysturlid

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Technical Crew



Abbie Giblin
Stage Manager



Sunni Foard
Floor Manager



Keilan McCann
Audio Operator



Erika Norman
Prop Manager



Jon Richert
Technical Director

Isaac Martin
Lighting Operator

Noah Wade
Audio Assistant

Tyler Wesely
Lighting Assistant

Stage Team

Jessica Ellibee
 Amanda Elliott
 Roni Foard

Utility Stage Team

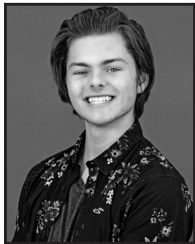
Betsy Hart
 Zach Styra

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Nicolas Amat (*Gomez Addams*) is a Senior here at Geneva High School. He is very excited to take the stage one last time in this exotic and unique show! You may have seen him rocking the candle sticks in *Beauty and the Beast*, or sporting a feathered hat in *Into the Woods*. Despite being heartbroken over the lost show of 2020, he is ecstatic to have the opportunity to perform this year, one last time.



Reed Anderson (*Mal Beineke*) believes what he learned most this year was to appreciate what he has and to value each opportunity he receives. He is excited to be performing again because the pandemic caused the cancellation of two previous shows. He considers theater the best part of his life, and he considers the GHS theater community his second family. He would like to thank all Techies, Actors, and Directors. His advice to the people that will still be here when he leaves is to enjoy every moment, including tech builds, Saturday rehearsals, and getting chewed out by Woody. Reed speaks very highly of Miss Woodruff. He feels that everything this program is now, is because of her. She started out his Freshman year as an assistant for the play and now runs the entire program. Reed said, “This is what she was born to do – gather teenagers of all types with theatrical talent and cobble together amazing shows.”



Grace Atkinson (*Bride Ancestor*) is a Senior and has been involved with many of the GHS theater events, including acting in the *Student One Act Plays*, and being a part of the tech crew for *Into the Woods* and *Rimers of Eldritch*. Other plays that Grace has acted in include *Cinderella*, *The Jungle Book*, *Aladdin Jr.*, and *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* She hopes you enjoy her final GHS production.

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Molly Carlson (*Flapper Ancestor*) is a Senior this year and is so excited to be in this production of *The Addams Family*. Molly has been a lover of all things theater and music and has been involved in various school productions over the years. She is a member of Nordic Voices and a teacher’s assistant in Viking Chorus, both through the Geneva Choir Department, led by the incredible Ms. P. Molly is thrilled to announce she will be attending Belmont University’s School of Music in Nashville, Tennessee, to continue her musical studies in the Fall of 2021. She would like to give a huge thank you to Ms. P, Woody, and Kyle for being such amazing inspirations and such great mentors, teachers, and directors. She would also like to thank the cast, crew, and pit members for working so hard this year to create such a wonderful production and overall experience. Molly is absolutely dying for you all to see this production, and she hopes you enjoy the show!!



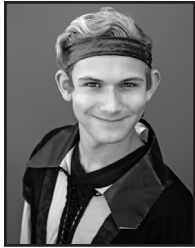
Charlie Cervenka (*Uncle Fester*) is so excited to be Fester, as this has been his dream role for years! Some of his favorite shows have been *James and The Giant Peach*, *Spamalot*, & many more. Outside of theater Charlie enjoys video games and hanging with friends. Thanks for being here (even if you aren’t here)!



Zac Davies (*Pugsley Addams*) is in his third show at Geneva High School, and he is thrilled to be a part of *The Addams Family*. Not only has he done theater but is a part of GHS’s choir program as well. He wants to thank Ms. Palmisano and Ms. Woodruff for all the work they do to make these shows possible. He would also like to thank his family for all their encouragement throughout the years. Enjoy the show!

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Brenden Dodds (*Pirate Ancestor*) is very excited to be a part of *The Addams Family* production. He's been happy to be active in the GHS theater program all year with roles in the Freshman Play, the One Acts, and the Group Interpretation cast. Some of Brenden's favorite past roles include Shrek (*Shrek*), Jafar (*Aladdin*), Scar (*Lion King*) and Troy (*High School Musical*). 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!



Maddie Gartrell (*Alice Bienenke*) has been actively involved in GHS theatre and music. She has played Paulette (*Legally Blonde the Musical*), Ensemble (*Putnam County Spelling Bee*), Penny (*Stranger than Fiction*), and many more. She also is in Varsity and Jazz choir and an avid member of International Thespian Society and Drama Club. Maddie would like to thank Woody, Ms. P, her cast, crew, and pit for this amazing show. She has enjoyed every moment and hopes everyone enjoys Addams!



Hannah Hendrian (*Flight Attendant Ancestor*) is a Senior, and she's super excited to perform in her second and final GHS musical! When not pretending to be a dancing dead flight attendant, she enjoys singing with the school choir, playing her trombone, and going to Starbucks; and she plans to study music education next year. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Charlie (Char Char, Chuck, Charles, Charles Leo) -
 We are SO proud of you, Baby, you're a star! (It's a nod to Prince, FYI:):) Sing your sweet little heart out and shine.
XOXOXOXO Lisa, Jason, Connor, Sammy & Jaz...
Plus: Annie, Timmy, William, G, Perla and Joma/Glenpa

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Liam Karth (*Mob Boss Ancestor*) is a Sophomore and is excited to be in *Addams Family*. Liam has previously participated in *James and the Giant Peach* and *Legally Blonde The Musical* at the high school. He is so happy to be able to put on a show this year. He cannot express his gratitude to his fellow cast mates and directors for their unconditional support. He is happy to have made so many new experiences that he will remember forever. He hopes you enjoy the show and have as much fun as he did.

Liz and Liam,

I'm so proud of the actors and dancers you have grown to be.
 I'm feeling happy, I'm feeling sad
 Keep reaching for the stars!



Love you both,
Dad


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Liz Karth (*First Mate Ancestor*) is so excited to be an Addams! Liz has been in multiple shows including *Into the Woods* and *Legally Blonde*. Liz is a Senior and is planning on studying theatre at NIU next year. Liz would like to dedicate her performance to her family who have always let her shine even as the world ‘moved towards the darkness’. Liz wants everyone to stay safe and enjoy the show!



Christine Kelly (*Hippie Ancestor*) is making her musical theatre debut in this year’s production of *Addams Family*. Christine is a classical musician with extensive vocal performance experience. She would like to thank her parents for their continuous support in her musical exploration. She would also like to thank this year’s cast for making her first experience memorable.

Good luck with the show, **Noah!** The set is amazing!
Love, Mom and Dad



Maddie,

You are not the child that I expected. You are soooo much more! Dad and I are so proud of the young woman you are growing into! Keep doing amazing things!

Love, Mom and Dad



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Ella Kobylecky (*Morticia Addams*) is a Senior at GHS and is absolutely honored to be playing the role of Morticia! She has been participating in theatre since she was 4 years old and has done countless productions. Additionally, Ella is the President of Treble Choir, Drama Club, and a member of the International Thespian Society. She would like to thank everyone involved for all their hard work during an especially difficult year, and hopes that you remember to “Live Before you Die”!

Liz & Liam -

Dancing is like dreaming with your feet. Always dream big!
Love, Nana & Papa



Ella,

We can’t believe this is your last GHS performance! You are like any modern woman and we want you to have it all in your future! Knock em dead!

Love Mom and Dad--



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Kayla Mason (*Nurse Ancestor*) is Senior at GHS and is so excited to portray the Nurse Ancestor in *The Addams Family*! She would like to thank her amazing cast mates, directors, and family for making this experience so rewarding and fun. She hopes that our show makes you laugh and smile, and above all, she hopes that you enjoy the show!



Alli McCall (*Cousin It/Dance Captain/Bridesmaid Ancestor*) is a Junior at GHS, and she is so excited to be a part of *Addams Family* this year. She has done theater, choir, and dance team at the school since Freshman year. She has loved working as dance captain with the cast and hopes you enjoy the show!



Carley Messino (*Grandma Addams*), who plays the role of Grandmamma, is excited to perform with the talented cast of *The Addams Family*. Carley is a Junior at Geneva High School. She started performing on stage when she was eight years old. Carley's first role at the high school was Lena in (*Rimers of Eldritch*). Since then, she has appeared in *Beauty and the Beast*, *Legally Blonde the Musical*, *One Acts*, and *Group Interpretation*. Carley thanks her mother, father, and her sister for supporting her acting.



Katie O'Brien (*Wednesday Addams*) is a Junior at GHS, and she's stoked to be a part of this production. She's a member of Varsity Choir and Jazz Choir. She was seen as Chip in the 2019 spring musical *Beauty and the Beast*. She also played Logainne Schwartz in last year's 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee. She would like to thank the cast and crew of *Addams Family* for working together to put on such a fun show!

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Andrew Perez (*Lucas Beineke*) is thrilled to be playing Lucas in this year's musical, *The Addams Family*. Andrew is a Junior at GHS, and this will be his second musical at the high school. He sings in the school choir, jazz choir, and likes reading and hanging out with friends in his free time. He has greatly enjoyed being a part of the musical and would like to thank the cast, crew, and directors for making this show great!



Jenna Sowinski (*Cavewoman Ancestor*) is a Sophomore at GHS, and is enthralled to be performing as a caveman ancestor in *The Addams Family*! Her past roles include Mrs. Corry in *Mary Poppins*, Hermia in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and Enid Hoopes in the hypothetical performance of *Legally Blonde*. When not acting, she enjoys baking, percussion, and anime. Enjoy the show!

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Becca Spezzano (*Hippie Ancestor*) could not be more excited to be a part of *The Addams Family*. She is a Sophomore this year, and it will be her first musical at the high school! Thanks to COVID it has been anything but normal, but she is thankful to have a cast and crew with so much dedication and perseverance. She hopes you enjoy the show and that it puts a smile on your face!



Jack Voreis (*Lurch*) is thrilled to perform in his second Musical at GHS. Jack has done many shows before such as *Legally Blonde*, *Annie*, and *James and the Giant Peach*. Jack is very eager to play the role of “Lurch,” and to participate in this wonderful show. Jack loves to act and perform in shows with his friends, and he has enjoyed his previous roles in the past. Despite these uncertain circumstances, Jack would like to thank his family and friends for cheering him on. He also has a great deal of respect for the people performing in the show, the people working hard behind the scenes, and the amazing pit crew for making the show possible.



Sam Yingst (*Caveman Ancestor*) has acted in 2 shows prior to *Addams Family*. He is very excited to perform in *Addams Family*, especially since last year’s show was cut short and never performed. He really loves the theater community, and he appreciates his friends and fellow actors/actresses.

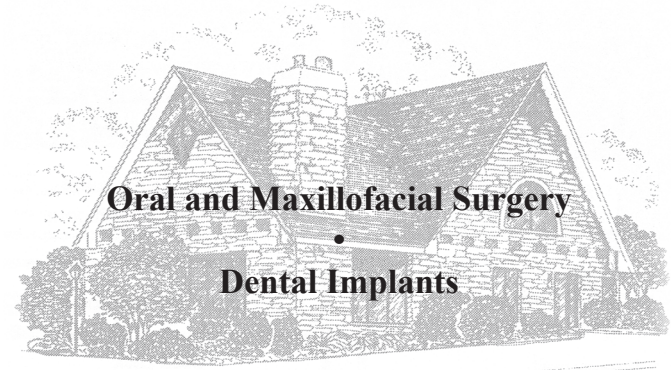
Molly,

We are so proud of you! Dancing and singing with a mask on...wow! Enjoy your Senior Show, and then Nashville here you come!

Lots of Love,
Mom, Dad, Rachael, Sarah and Nate



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