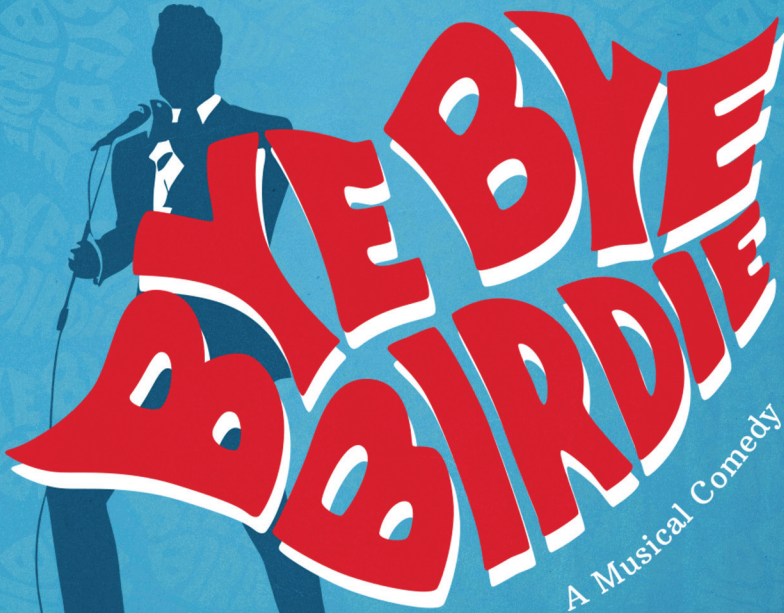


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ACT 1

PROLOGUE	Overture
SCENE 1	Office of Almaelou Music, New York “An English Teacher”
SCENE 2	Sweet Apple Ohio “Telephone Hour”
SCENE 3	MacAfee Home, Sweet Apple “How Lovely To Be a Woman”
SCENE 4	Penn Station, New York “Put On a Happy Face” “A Healthy, Normal, American Boy”
SCENE 5	Railroad Station, Sweet Apple “One Boy” “Let’s Settle Down”
SCENE 6	Courthouse Steps, Sweet Apple “Honestly Sincere”
SCENE 7	MacAfee Home, Sweet Apple “Hymn for a Sunday Evening (Ed Sullivan)”
SCENE 8	Stage and Backstage Office, Central Movie Theater, Sweet Apple
SCENE 9	Stage, Central Movie Theater, Sweet Apple “One Last Kiss”

INTERMISSION

ACT 2

PROLOGUE	Entr’acte
SCENE 1	MacAfee Home, Sweet Apple “What Did I Ever See in Him”
SCENE 2	Street Outside MacAfee Home “A Lot of Livin’ to Do”
SCENE 3	MacAfee’s Back Door “Kids”
SCENE 4	Maude’s Roadside Retreat “Spanish Rose” “Baby, Talk to Me”
SCENE 5	Private Dining Room, Maude’s Roadside Retreat
SCENE 6	Back Door, Maude’s Roadside Retreat “A Mother Doesn’t Matter Anymore” “Reprise-Kids”
SCENE 7	The Ice House “Reprise: An English Teacher”
SCENE 8	Railroad Station, Sweet Apple “Rosie”

CAST

ALBERT PETERSON	Miles Godfrey
ROSE ALVAREZ	Camila Muñoz
CONRAD BIRDIE	William Bain
MR. HARRY MACAFEE	Nathaniel Reichle
MRS. DORIS MACAFEE	Ava Ramos
KIM MACAFEE	Imani Miller
RANDOLPH MACAFEE	Esteban Devia-Sanchez
HUGO PEABODY	Ethan Maldonado
URSULA MERKLE	Arabella Godines

TEENAGERS

DEBORAH SUE	Lauren Quintana
MARGIE	Maya Leos
ALICE	Teron Smalls
HARVEY JOHNSON	David Baltazar
HELEN	Audrey Bain
NANCY	Eliana Portela
PENELOPE	Emmalee Barnes
FRED	Israel Chapman
LEE	Andrew Puente

ADULTS

MRS. MAE PETERSON	Laura Hollan
GLORIA RASPUTIN	Charis Riley
CHARLES MAUDE	Elijah Contreras
MAYOR	Brady Campbell
MAYOR'S WIFE	Raelen Flores
MRS. MERKLE	Ava Chapa
MR. JOHNSON / 1ST REPORTER	Marcus Lodge
3RD REPORTER	Bradley Pankratz
MAUDE'S 1ST CUSTOMER	Israel Chapman
MAUDE'S 2ND CUSTOMER	Logan Engel
MAUDE'S 3RD CUSTOMER	Noah Padilla
MAUDE'S 4TH CUSTOMER	Andrew Puente
ED SULLIVAN	Logan Engel

SWEET APPLE PARENTS

Brady Campbell, Elijah Contreras, Ava Chapa, Logan Engel, Charissa Estremera, Raelen Flores, Jayda Ford-Schartner, Marcus Lodge, Kambrie Onofre, Teron Smalls

SWEET APPLE SHRINERS

Brady Campbell, Israel Chapman, Elijah Contreras, Logan Engel (4/19 and 4/20 @7pm), Andrew Puente, Bradley Pankratz (4/18 and 4/20 @2pm)

BOYS OF SWEET APPLE

David Baltazar, Brady Campbell, Israel Chapman, Elijah Contreras, Esteban Devia-Sanchez, Logan Engel, Marcus Lodge, Noah Padilla, Bradley Pankratz, Andrew Puente

GIRLS OF SWEET APPLE

Audrey Bain, Emmalee Barnes, Alex Beck, Ava Chapa, Isabella Chapman, Hannelore Esslinger, Charissa Estremera, Jayda Ford-Schartner, Alexa Glick, Arabella Godines, Ridleigh Gould, Laura Hollan, Maya Leos, Imani Miller, Kambrie Onofre, Evie Pflug, Eliana Portela, Lauren Quintana, Audrey Ramos, Charis Riley, River Saucedo, Teron Smalls, Gabby Vasquez, Maryn Villarreal

CREW

HEAD STAGE MANAGER	Marcus Lodge
STAGE MANAGER/COSTUME ASSISTANT	Audrey Bain
STAGE MANAGERS	Elijah Contreras Esteban Devia-Sanchez Raelen Flores
ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER	Lauren Quintana
MUSIC OPERATOR	Mikayla Lujan
LIGHT BOARD OPERATOR	Ethan Barnes
STAGE CREW	Anaya Evans Josiah Garza Jordan Japhet Savannah Juiel Emmanuel Sanchez Alfonzo Quarrels



WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST



CAMILA MUÑOZ (Rosie) is a Senior at CCS. She has been in theatre all her life and joined the school's theatre program 6 years ago. She has been in 8 high school shows including: *White Christmas* (Mrs. Snoring Man/Ensemble), *Oklahoma!* (Kansas City Dancer), *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Crew/Maid), *Gift of the Magi* (Crew/Caroler), *Music Man* (Pick-A-Little Lady), *Dark Road* (Prisoner 2), *High School Musical* (Martha/Co-Dance Captain), and most recently, *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Mrs. Bumbrake). She is so grateful that she can work with Ms. Pearce and the cast again and is honored to be working in such a professional workspace. She has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. Camila is hopeful to grow and learn as she completes her High School theatre experience, and thanks Ms. Pearce for all the help these past 4 years!



MILES GODFREY (Albert) is a Senior at CCS in his 5th year at Cornerstone. He has been in multiple shows over the years and has been featured in *The Music Man* (Olinn Britt), *Dark Road* (Daimler), *High School Musical* (Coach Bolton), and *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Captain Scott). He has also performed in *Winnie the Pooh* (Owl), *Aladdin*, and *The Sound of Music* at the Washington Opera House in Maysville, Kentucky. He was a Drum Major for the CCS Band this year and has thoroughly enjoyed his Senior year. He has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where he will be competing this summer. He would like to thank his mother, Charlie, John Charles, Harrison, Pearce, alongside his close friends who have supported him through everything.



WILLIAM BAIN (Conrad Birdie) is a Senior at CCS. This is his 8th performance with the school. He previously worked and appeared in *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Black Stache), *High School Musical* (Troy Bolton), *White Christmas* (Ralph Sheldrake), *Gift of the Magi* (Digsby), *The Music Man* (Charlie Cowel), *Dark Road* (Commandant), *Oklahoma!* (Ensemble), and *Into the Woods Jr.* (Cinderella's Prince), and has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where he will be competing this summer. He has enjoyed all the plays he has taken part in and loves working with all his castmates. Will has chosen to continue his

Acting education by pursuing a B.F.A. in Acting at Northern Michigan University; he will greatly miss the theatre program and all his friends.



IMANI MILLER (Kim) is a Senior at CCS. This is her 3rd year at Cornerstone, and she has been in multiple shows over the years. *High School Musical* (Brainiac), *Dark Road* (Prisoner), *Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), *Sisters on the Ground* (Georgia), *A Charlie Brown Christmas* (Lucy), and *The Music Man* (Mrs. Squires). She has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. Imani is thankful to her friends and family for the support and love they have given her, and if it wasn't for the people closest to her, she would not be where she is today. She hopes everyone will enjoy the Seniors' last show!



NATHANIEL REICHLER (Harry McAfee) is a Senior at CCS and he has been doing shows at CCS since Freshman year. Nathaniel has last been seen in *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Lord Aster), *High School Musical* (Ryan Evans), *Dark Road* (Doctor), *The Music Man* (Marcellus), *White Christmas* (Scooter), *Oklahoma!* (Joe), *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Rev. Chasuble) and *Gift of the Magi* (Bootman), and has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where he will be competing this summer. He has enjoyed every moment of working with Ms. Pearce to bring this show to life, especially in the dances. He would like to thank everyone that he has been able to work with these last 4 years for making them some of the best he has had.



AVA RAMOS (Mrs. MacAfee) is a Junior at Cornerstone. This is her 9th show and she has been seen in many shows over the years. Ava was seen in *High School Musical* (Gabriella Montez), *Gift of the Magi* (Della), *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Teacher), *Dark Road* (Prisoner), *Music Man* (Maude), and *Into the Woods Jr.* (Cinderella), and has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. Ava is beyond excited to perform *Bye Bye Birdie* with this awesome cast and especially the Seniors! She'd like to thank her friends and family for their support and of course Ms. Pearce!



LAURA HOLLAN (Mama/Mae Peterson) is a Junior at CCS. This is her 7th year at Cornerstone, and she has been in multiple shows over the years. She was last seen in *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Slank), and has also been seen in *High School Musical* (Ms. Darbus), *Dark Road* (Marga), *The Music Man* (Alma), *The Gift of the Magi* (Dot), *Shrek Jr.* (Fiona), *Into the Woods Jr.* (Jack), *Honk Jr.* (Cat), and *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* (Ensemble). Laura has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. She is extremely excited to be a part of this cast and to make amazing new memories with everyone. She would like to thank Ms. Pearce for being the best teacher and director and her parents for always supporting her.



ARABELLA GODINES (Ursula) is a Junior at CCS. This is her 3rd year at Cornerstone, and she has been in multiple shows over the years. She was last seen in *High School Musical* (Sharpay), *The Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Sanchez), *The Music Man* (Alma), *Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), and *Dark Road* (Fog Machine), and has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. She is very blessed to be a part of this production and would like to give a big thanks to Ms. Pearce for this opportunity!



ETHAN MALDONADO (Hugo) is a Freshman at CCS. This is his 11th year at Cornerstone, and he has been in 8 shows. He was last seen in *Godspell Jr.* (Jesus), *Peter Pan Jr.* (John), *Shrek Jr.* (Knight), *Charlie Brown* (Charlie Brown), *Music Man* (Ensemble), *Lion King* (Rafiki), *Seussical the Musical* (Wickersham), and worked backstage in *High School Musical* (Crew), and *Mary Poppins* (Crew). Ethan is excited to see what he is capable of in the near future. Most thanks to everyone who has supported him along his journey!



ESTEBAN DEVIA-SANCHEZ (Randolph MacAfee) is a Junior at CCS. This is his 7th year at Cornerstone and he has been in multiple shows over the years. He was born at a really young age, and he loves food, and despite what other Spanish Roses *(cough, cough, Camila...) say, he is six feet. He was last seen in *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Prentiss/Door), *High School Musical* (Thespian, Krattnoff), *A Rhyming Christmas Carol* (Marley), *The Music Man* (Traveling Salesman), and *Shrek Jr.* (Knight), and has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where he will be competing this summer. He is looking forward to being in this show.



AUDREY BAIN (Helen) is a Sophomore at CCS and has been attending since the second grade. Within those years she has been in many of the school's productions such as *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Molly), *White Christmas* (Susan Waverly), *Shrek Jr.* (Storyteller), *Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), *Peter Pan Jr.* (Mrs. Darling), *The Music Man* (Ensemble), and *High School Musical* (Ensemble), and has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. She is very excited to be performing in *Bye Bye Birdie*. Many thanks to Ms. Pearce!



DAVID BALTAZAR (Harvey Johnson) is a Senior at CCS. This is his 13th year at CCS, and he has been in theater since last spring. He has been seen in *High School Musical* (Jason), *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Mack), and he is excited and optimistic about going to and competing at Thespian Nationals this summer and making the most of his last show and enjoying every moment. He is thankful for all his loved ones always supporting him and being by his side.



EMMALEE BARNES (Penelope) is a Freshman at CCS. She has attended Cornerstone for nine years and since then has done many shows, such as *Godspell Jr.* (Ensemble), *Music Man* (Ensemble), *Shrek Jr.* (Teen Fiona), and several others. She is very excited to be doing *Bye Bye Birdie*. She would like to thank the amazing cast that she has gotten to work with, and Ms. Pearce for giving her the opportunity to be in this show.



ALEXANDRA BECK (One Girl Dancer/Sweet Apple Girl) is a Junior at CCS. This is her 6th year at Cornerstone. Within those years, she has been seen in many of the school's productions such as *High School Musical* (Cheerleader), *Rhyming Christmas Carol* (Narrator 1/Ghost of Christmas Present), and *Shrek Jr.* (Young Fiona). She is very excited and can't wait to work on more shows in the future. She would also like to give a big thanks to Ms. Pearce for being a wonderful teacher and theatre director!



BRADY CAMPBELL (The Mayor) is a Sophomore at Cornerstone; this is his 6th year here. Brady has been in *High School Musical* (Ensemble), *Peter Pan* (Mr. Darling), *Shrek* (Ensemble/Priest), and *Into the Woods Jr.* (Steward). As always, he's excited to participate in this show and achieve greatness. He would like to thank God for being awesome and allowing him to do cool stuff like this.



AVA CHAPA (Mrs. Merkle/Sweet Apple Girl) is a Junior at CCS. This is her 13th year at Cornerstone, and she has been in multiple shows over the years. She was last seen in *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Smee) and has been in *High School Musical* (Susan), *Dark Road* (Marian), *The Music Man* (Pick-a-Little Lady), *The Gift of the Magi* (Madame Vodvaskaya), *Shrek Jr.* (Mermaid), *Into the Woods Jr.* (Pig 3), *The Greatest Show* (Clown), *Honk Jr.* (Downy), and *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!* (Ensemble). Ava has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. She is thrilled and blessed to be a part of this cast and to create memorable moments in this show! She would like to thank Ms. Pearce for her faith in her role and all the hard work she put into the production.



ISABELLA CHAPMAN (Sweet Apple Girl) is a Freshman at CCS. This is her 3rd year at Cornerstone, and she has been in multiple shows over the years. She was last seen in *Godspell Jr.* (Soloist/ Ensemble) and *Peter Pan Jr.* (Ensemble). She is looking forward to performing to her best ability and having a great time in this show. Many thanks to her family and Ms. Pearce.



ISRAEL CHAPMAN (Fred) is a Sophomore at CCS. This is his 4th year at CCS, and his 2nd show with Ms. Pearce. He was last seen in *High School Musical* (Jack Scott), *Peter Pan Jr.* (Peter Pan), and *Shrek* (Donkey). Israel is looking forward to participating in his 2nd high school show and working with his castmates. He wants to thank his Lord and savior Jesus Christ, his family, and Ms. Pearce.



ELIJAH CONTRERAS (Maude/Policeman) is a Junior. This is his 6th year CCS, and he has been seen in other shows such as *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Ted), *High School Musical* (Adam), *The Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), *Shrek Jr.* (Farquaad), and *The Music Man* (Conductor), and has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where he will be competing this summer. His favorite thing to do on this planet is to spend time with his friends, family, and pets. He is super-duper cool and likes nice cool autumn days. He is leaping with joy to be in this show and would want to be in the show *Holes*, and finally, thanks Ms. Pearce for everything.



LOGAN ENGEL (Ed Sullivan/Sweet Apple Boy) is a Senior in high school who has attended CCS for 13 years since K5. This will be his 2nd year in theatre and his 6th show with the Warrior Theatre Company. The five shows he has been involved in include *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Boy/Peter Pan), *Gift of the Magi* (Art), *Music Man* (Oliver Hix), *High School Musical* (Chad Danforth), and *Dark Road* (Observer/Crowd). Logan has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where he will be competing this summer. He will next be seen as Baby John in *West Side Story* at the San Pedro Playhouse. Logan is insanely excited to be a part of the cast and perform his last high school show and wants to thank Ms. Pearce for inspiring him daily to become a better actor and person.



HANNELORE ESSLINGER (Sweet Apple Girl) is a Freshman at CCS. This is her first year at CCS and she has been in 10+ productions over the years. Some she was seen in are *Pirates* (No Beard-Solo), *White Christmas* (Chorus), *Big Bad* (Miss Muffet), *Murder* (Comedy) in *Space* (Calvin Hardcastle Queen), *Ghosts of Pineville* (Glory Roberts), *Murder* (Comedy) in *Space* (Stage Manager, Crew), *The Show Must Go On* (Solo), *Valentines Murder* (Elizabeth**student written**), *Dearly Departed* (Raynelle Turpin), and *Fortress* (Kim). She is thrilled to be taking part in this year's show and can't wait for more to come! Hanne would like to thank her middle school theatre and choir directors (Jacob Trigg and Jennifer Perelstien) for not only further educating her in the world of theatre but also for being a home away from home.



CHARISSA ESTREMER (Another Parent/Stylist/Sweet Apple Girl) is a Senior at CCS. This is her 3rd year attending Cornerstone and she has been in multiple shows over the years. She was last seen in *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Narrator Smee/Mollusk/Mermaid), *High School Musical* (Brainiac), *The Music Man* (Ensemble) and *Gift of the Magi* (Caroler). She is looking forward to her last high school musical and what awaits her in her future. She would like to thank Ms. Pearce for giving her the amazing opportunity to be a part of the theatre program since her Sophomore year!



RAELEN FLORES (Edna/Mayors Wife) is a Senior at CCS. This is her 2nd year at Cornerstone and she has been in 4 shows over the year. She was last seen as Fighting Prawn in the fall show of *Peter and the Starcatcher*, Ensemble in *High School Musical* and Ghost of Christmas Past in the *Rhyming Christmas Carol*. Raelen has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. She is so sad this is her last high school musical, but is excited to start a new chapter. Raelen intends on going to Stephen F. Austin for college to pursue a degree in communications. She is so thankful for everyone she has met these past 2 years at Cornerstone and is very grateful for her director Ms. Pearce, her friends, and of course her family and God.



JAYDA FORD-SCHARTNER (Another Voice/Sweet Apple Girl/Sweet Apple Parent) is a Junior at CCS. This is her 13th year at Cornerstone, and she has been in multiple shows over the years. She was last seen in *The Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), *Shrek Jr.* (Narrator 1), *Aladdin Jr.* (Narrator 1), *Charlie Brown Christmas* (Narrator 1), *Charlotte's Web* (Sheep/Judge), *Night Before Christmas* (Amos), *Frozen Jr.* (Bulda/Ensemble), *Dark Road* (Guard/Prisoner), and *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Narrator Ted/Ensemble). She was also last seen in *She Kills Monsters* (Kaliop), and *Twelfth Night* (Feste) at Lion Theatre Camp at Texas A&M University-Commerce. She is very happy to be a part of this vibrant cast of *Bye Bye Birdie*. She enjoys listening to musicals and hanging out with friends and loves theatre because of the artistic and fun ways of expressing oneself. She would like to thank all her cast members, directors, and parents for such a wonderful experience.



ALEXA GLICK (Sweet Apple Girl) is a Junior at CCS. This is her very first year here and she is super excited to be a part of a new theatre community! Her Sophomore year, she was in her first musical production of *Alice in Wonderland* (Alice) at her former school TCA in Florida. Alexa is beyond excited to be in *Bye Bye Birdie* and is looking forward to taking things back in time with old fashioned styled musical numbers! She would like to thank her family, friends, and God for always being there to support her and cheer her on! Enjoy the show!



RIDLEIGH GOULD (Sweet Apple Girl) is a Sophomore at CCS. This is her 3rd year at Cornerstone, and she has been in two productions. She was last seen in *High School Musical* (Cheerleader) and *Peter Pan Jr.* (Tinker Bell). She is excited to be a part of such a fun and entertaining show. She would like to thank her family and friends for their support, and Ms. Pearce for the opportunity to be part of this production.



MAYA LEOS (Margie) is a Junior at CCS. This is her 10th year at Cornerstone, and she has been in multiple shows over the years! She was last seen in *High School Musical* (Thespian), *The Music Man* (Townsperson), *Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), *Shrek Jr.* (Ugly Duckling), and *Honk* (Duckling). She's very thankful to all who have made the theatre a beautiful place. Ms. Pearce and her friends all have impacted her in more ways than one. She sends love to Ms. Pearce, Kam, Charissa, Imani, Teron, Miles, Nathaniel, and Marcus for everything.



MARCUS LODGE (Mr. Johnson/Sweet Apple Parent) is a Senior at CCS and he will be heartlessly graduating this year, leaving Ms. Pearce Marcus-less. This is his 7th year at Cornerstone, and he has been a part of multiple shows over the years. He is everyone's favorite crew member and worked crew on *The Importance of Being Earnest* at the Texas Thespian Festival 2021 which was the last time he was allowed to be just crew. His favorite role to date has been Alf in *Peter and the Starcatcher*. He was part of the ensemble of numerous shows including *The Music Man* and *High School Musical*. Marcus will be competing with contrasting monologues in the 2024 National Thespian Festival after qualifying with a superior rating during the 2024 Texas Thespian Festival. Our beloved Stage Manager is also known as Lil Marcus in the hip-hop group Monkey Bars. He is very excited to be a part of this show. Thank you, Ms. Pearce, for allowing me to help bring this play to life.



KAMBRIE ONOFRE (Sweet Apple Girl/Sweet Apple Parent) is now a Senior at CCS. This will be her 4th year at Cornerstone, and she has been a growing thespian. She has been in 5 shows including *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Hawking Clam), *Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), *The Music Man* (Ensemble), *The Rhyming Christmas Carol* (Mrs. Scratthet), and *High School Musical* (Mongo), and has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. She is excited for her last show with her friends and being part of CCS theatre! Kam has made many memories and will cherish them all. All thanks to Ms. Pearce, the cast, and the crew.



NOAH PADILLA (Quartet/Sweet Apple Boy) is a Sophomore at CCS. This is his 6th year at Cornerstone, and this is his 1st Warrior Theater Company production! He is excited to be a part of this amazing performance and is looking forward to many more shows to come! Many thanks to God, his family, friends, and Ms. Pearce!



BRADLEY PANKRATZ (Third Reporter/Sweet Apple Boy/Shriner on 4/18 and 4/20 @2pm) is a Sophomore with this being his fourth year at CCS. He has done many shows over the years such as *Peter Pan Jr.* (Captain Hook), *Matilda Jr.* (Michael), *Shrek Jr.* (The Big Bad Wolf), and many more. Bradley is looking forward to working with everyone in the show and thanks Ms. Pearce for the opportunity to be a part of it.



EVIE PFLUG (Sweet Apple Girl) is a Freshman at CCS. This is her 8th year at Cornerstone, and she has been in multiple shows. She was last seen in *Godspell* (Ensemble), *Peter Pan* (Brave Girl #1), *Shrek the Musical Jr.* (Pippi Longstocking), and *Seussical the Musical Jr.* (Cat in the Hat). She is extremely excited to be in her first high school show. She would like to thank Ms. Pearce for the amazing opportunity of working with her in this show.



ELIANA PORTELA (Nancy/Sweet Apple Girl) is a Junior at CCS, and this is her 4th year here. She has been in multiple shows, including *High School Musical* (Skater/Brainiac), *A Christmas Carol* (Gertie), *The Music Man* (Teen Girl/Townsperson), and *The Gift of The Magi* (Caroler). She is so excited for this year's spring show and to perform with the Seniors one last time. She loves everyone so, so much and is so happy to be given this opportunity. Many thanks to her parents and friends for always supporting her!



ANDREW PUENTE (Lee/Sweet Apple Boy/Shriner) is a Sophomore at CCS. This is his 12th year at Cornerstone, and was last seen in *Peter Pan Jr.* (Twin #1). He is excited and happy to be a part of theatre again and can't wait to perform!



LAUREN QUINTANA (Deborah Sue) is a Sophomore at CCS. This is her 6th year at Cornerstone, and this is her third high school theatre production. She was last seen in *High School Musical* (Cathy), and also worked on the school's production of *Peter and the Starcatcher* backstage. She is very excited to perform and take part in *Bye Bye Birdie* and looks forward to all the amazing memories she will make. Many thanks to her wonderful director, Ms. Pearce!



AUDREY RAMOS (Sweet Apple Girl) is a Freshman at CCS. This is her 11th year at Cornerstone and she has been in *Peter Pan Jr.* (Brave Girl Ensemble) and *Godspell Jr.* (Ensemble). She is very excited to be in her first high school show with Ms. Pearce! She would like to thank her best friends, God, and her family!



CHARIS RILEY (Gloria Rasputin/Sweet Apple Girl) is a Junior at CCS. This is her 6th year at Cornerstone, and her 10th CCS show. High school credits include *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Greggors), *High School Musical* (Kelsi), *The Music Man* (Zaneeta), and *Dark Road* (Girl), and has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. Charis is so excited to be in *Bye Bye Birdie*, and thoroughly enjoys playing the ultimate fangirl. On top of acting, Charis has also directed the superior-winning film *Dandelion* which also advanced to Nationals. In her free time, she enjoys writing short films, driving with Ava, listening to music, and contemplating the facts of life. Thank you to caffeine, the cast, Ava, Ms. Pearce, family, and Jesus.



RIVER SAUCEDA (Sweet Apple Girl) is a Freshman at CCS. This is her first year back at Cornerstone since elementary school and this is her first show. River is excited to be in this show and cannot wait for the shows ahead of her. She would like to thank her parents and Ms. Pearce for showing their support and giving her the opportunity!



TERON SMALLS (Alice) is currently a Senior at Cornerstone Christian Schools. She is in her 13th year at Cornerstone and has been in multiple shows over the past six years in theater. Teron has appeared in school performances such as *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Gremppkin), *High School Musical*, *On Stage!* (Taylor McKessie), *Dark Road* (Ingrid), *The Music Man* (Alma), *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Cecily Cardew), *The Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), and *Oklahoma!* (Ensemble). Teron has also advanced to Thespian Nationals where she will be competing this summer. She has also been elected as a State Thespian Officer for the 2023-2024 school year and represents Cornerstone on the Texas Thespians Board. She is striving to become the best performer she can be with the help of her talented castmates, crew, and director Ms. Pearce. Teron hopes her last production in high school will share the beauty of performing and spread happiness to everyone who watches



GABRIELA VASQUEZ (Sweet Apple Girl) is a Junior at CCS and has been attending since Freshman year. *Bye Bye Birdie* will be her first show with CCS. She has been in a few performances in the past including *Animal Farm* (Molly), *To See the Stars* (Newsgirl) and *Hairspray Jr.* (Ensemble). She is thrilled to be a part of the production and would like to thank Ms. Pearce, her friends and family!



MARYN VILLARREAL (Sweet Apple Girl) is a Freshman at CCS and this is her 1st year at Cornerstone. She has been seen in *Mamma Mia* (Ensemble), *Frozen* (Ensemble), *Shrek* (Snow White), and *Annie* (Orphan). She is excited to take part in her first show at Cornerstone. Many thanks to Ms. Pearce!

CREW



MARCUS LODGE (Head Stage Manager) is a Senior at CCS and he will be heartlessly graduating this year, leaving Ms. Pearce Marcus-less. This is his 7th year at Cornerstone, and he has been a part of multiple shows over the years. He is everyone's favorite crew member and worked crew on *The Importance of Being Earnest* at the Texas Thespian Festival 2021 which was the last time he was allowed to be just crew. He was part of the ensemble of numerous shows including *The Music Man* and *High School Musical*. Marcus will be competing with contrasting monologues in the 2024 National Thespian Festival after qualifying with a superior rating during the 2024 Texas Thespian Festival. Our beloved Stage Manager is also known as Lil Marcus in the hip-hop group Monkey Bars. He is very excited to be a part of this show. Thank you, Ms. Pearce, for allowing me to help bring this play to life.



AUDREY BAIN (Stage Manager/Assistant Costumer) is a Sophomore at CCS and has been attending since the second grade. Within those years she has been in many of the school's productions such as *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Molly), *White Christmas* (Susan Waverly), *Shrek Jr.* (Storyteller), *Gift of the Magi* (Caroler), *Peter Pan Jr.* (Mrs. Darling), *The Music Man* (Ensemble), and *High School Musical* (Ensemble). She is very excited to be performing in *Bye Bye Birdie*. Many thanks to Ms. Pearce!



ELIJAH CONTRERAS (Stage Manager) is a Junior. This is his 6th year CCS, and he has been seen in other shows such as *Shrek* (Farquaad), *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Ted), *High School Musical* (Adam), *The Gift of the Magi* (Choir), and *The Music Man* (Conductor). He will be competing at Thespian Nationals this summer. His favorite thing to do on this planet is to spend time with his friends, family, and pets. He is super-duper cool and likes nice cool autumn days. He is leaping with joy to be in this show and would want to be in the show *Holes* and finally, would want to thank Ms. Pearce for everything



ESTEBAN DEVIA-SANCHEZ (Stage Manager) is a Junior at CCS. This is his 7th year at Cornerstone and he has been in multiple shows over the years. He was born at a really young age, and he loves food, and despite what other Spanish Roses *(cough, cough, Camila...) say, is six feet. He was last seen in *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Prentiss/Door), *High School Musical* (Thespian, Krattnoff), *A Rhyming Christmas Carol* (Marley), *Music Man* (Traveling Salesman), and *Shrek Jr.* (Knight). He is looking forward to being in this play.



RAELEN FLORES (Stage Manager) is a Senior at CCS. This is her 2nd year at Cornerstone and has been in 4 shows over the year. She was last seen as Fighting Prawn in the fall show of *Peter and the Starcatcher*, Ensemble in *High School Musical* and Ghost of Christmas Past in the *Rhyming Christmas Carol*. She is so sad this is her last high school musical, but excited to start a new chapter. Raelen Intends on going to Stephen F Austin for college to pursue a degree in communications. She is so thankful for everyone she has met these past 2 years at Cornerstone and is very grateful for her director Ms. Pearce, her friends and of course her family and God.



LAUREN QUINTANA (Assistant Stage Manager) is a Sophomore at CCS. This is her 6th year at Cornerstone, and this is her third high school theatre production. She was last seen in *High School Musical* (Cathy), and also worked on the school's production of *Peter and the Starcatcher* backstage. She is very excited to perform and take part in *Bye Bye Birdie* and looks forward to all the amazing memories she will make. Many thanks to her wonderful director, Ms. Pearce!



ETHAN BARNES (Light Board Operator) is a Junior at CCS. He has done tech work in multiple school productions including *The Lion King*, *Peter Pan*, *High School Musical*, and *Peter and the Starcatcher*. He has also worked tech for other Fine Arts events and serves as a Production Assistant at Cornerstone Church. Recently he made his professional theater debut working tech for a production at S.T.A.G.E. theater in Bulverde, TX. Ethan enjoys working behind the scenes to make the onstage performance a success. He appreciates Ms. Pearce's confidence in him and his many opportunities to contribute to the Fine Arts program at CCS.



ANAYA EVANS (Crew) is a Junior at CCS. This is her 8th year at Cornerstone, and she is excited to take part in her first theatre production. She expresses her thanks to Ms. Pearce for giving her this opportunity and her theatre friends for encouraging her to finally be involved in a theatre production.



JOSIAH GARZA (Crew) is a 7th grader at CCS. This is his 3rd year at Cornerstone, and he has been in multiple shows over the years. He was last seen in *Mary Poppins* (John Northbrook), *Godspell* (Ensemble), and *Aristocats* (Thomas O'Malley). He is very honored to help as crew in his first high school musical.



JORDAN JAPHET (Crew) is a Sophomore at CCS. This is her 3rd year at Cornerstone, and she's been crew for *High School Musical* and *Peter and the Starcatcher*. She's looking forward to this show and working with all the cast and crew. Many thanks to Marcus and Ms. Pearce!



SAVANNAH JUIEL (Crew) Savannah is a Freshman, and this is her 10th year at CCS. She's done crew for several shows including *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Spotlight Operator), *Mary Poppins Jr.* (Backstage/Makeup crew), *Singin' in the Rain Jr.* (Backstage crew), and *Godspell Jr.* (Backstage crew).



MIKAYLA LUJAN (Music Operator) is an eighth grader at CCS. This is her 9th year at Cornerstone Christian Schools. In the past three years, she has been in *Peter Pan Jr.* (Small Brave Girl), *The Music Man* (Amaryllis), *Godspell Jr.* (Soloist), *High School Musical* (Spotlight), *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Spotlight), and *Mary Poppins Jr.* (Mary Poppins). She is looking forward to working with the cast of *Bye Bye Birdie* and making new memories. Thank you, Ms. Pearce!



DANIEL PETRO (Crew) is an eighth grader at CCS. This is his 3rd year at Cornerstone, and this is his first year doing crew for a high school production. He is thrilled to be a part of this wonderful show. He would like to thank Ms. Pearce for providing him with the incredible opportunity!



EMMANUEL SANCHEZ (Crew) is an 8th grader at CCS. This is his eighth year at Cornerstone and he has been involved with multiple shows over the years. He was last part of *Mary Poppins Jr.* (Assistant Stage Manager), *Peter and the Starcatcher* (Crew), *Godspell, Jr.* (John the Baptist), and *Peter Pan* (Lost Boy). He is looking forward to being crew for his second high school show in *Bye Bye Birdie*. Thank you, Ms. Pearce!



ALFONZO QUARRELS (Crew) is a Junior at CCS and is looking forward to working on crew for *Bye Bye Birdie*. Break a leg everyone!

DIRECTORS



PETRA SPENCER PEARCE (Director/Choreographer) is a graduate of TCU with a degree in TV/Film Production and Theater. She is excited to bring this classic musical to life with some very talented students. Petra has been director and/or choreographer for several youth theater troupes in San Antonio and New Braunfels as well as Main Stage shows at The Playhouse, Woodlawn Theater, New Braunfels Theater Company, Brauntex Theater, and Lynn Theater among others. Some of her work includes *Gift of the Magi*, *Oklahoma!*, *White Christmas*, *The One-Act Play That Goes Wrong*, *Peter and the Starcatcher*, *A Christmas Carol*, *High School Musical*, *Beauty & the Beast*, *Jekyll and Hyde*, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, *King and I*, *Mulan*, *Once on this Island*, *Aladdin*, *Singing in the Rain*, *Honk*, and *Willy Wonka*. As a performer, Petra has been seen in *Guys and Dolls* (Sarah Brown), *Fiddler on the Roof* (Tzeitel), *Beauty and the Beast* (Belle), *Bye, Bye, Birdie* (Rose), and *Jekyll and Hyde* (Emma), among others. She also produced the multiple award-winning film titled *Return to the Hiding Place* (ReturnToTheHidingPlace.com) about the true-life story of Corrie ten Boom's youth resistance group during WWII. Petra has been involved with theater since the age of five, and loves helping bring beautiful art to life! Much love and many thanks to Jesus, through whom all things are possible, and her family who has been a loving and constant support.



MEGAN SPENCER PEARCE (Costume Designer) is thrilled to be working with the CCS Warrior Thespians again! She is currently finishing her degree at Texas State University majoring in Theater Performance and Production and has been seen as a performer in 23 shows, most recently playing Gina Jo in *Christmas Belles* at STAGE Theater. She is thrilled to be able to use her training to bring Ms. Pearce's vision to life through costumes and hopes everyone has a wonderful time!



TANISHA SMITH (Music Coach) is our middle school theatre teacher at CCS and is honored to assist with music for *Bye Bye Birdie!* She holds a Bachelor of Science in Music Education, with a minor in Theatre from the University of Mobile. She has performed in multiple opera and musical theatre productions, including *Amahl* and the *Night Visitors* (Mother), *Phantom of the Opera* (Carlotta), and *7 Brides for 7 Brothers* (Mayor's wife). She also sings locally with the Lamplighters Big Band and has enjoyed teaching music and theatre to all ages over the last 10 years. All glory to God!



NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

Bye Bye Birdie is a show that I have been wanting to direct ever since I had the privilege of playing Rosie 15 years ago, but I never had quite the right cast—until now! The nostalgia of the 1950s style songs and dances are so much fun and will have the audience tapping their toes and dancing in their seats.

But aside from the joy of the bright colors, the silly jokes, and the catchy tunes, there's something deeper we can learn from this tale. The kids—and even some adults—from Sweet Apple, Ohio idolize the rock star Conrad Birdie to the point that they scream whenever they hear his name mentioned and faint when he looks at them—a la Elvis and the Beatles. They want to watch him eat and even sigh when he burps (gross). They become so consumed with the fame and excitement surrounding Birdie that they exalt him and neglect their relationships and responsibilities and vow to follow him to the ends of the earth, completely disregarding the fact that he is a poor role model, and in the end, they discover that all that glitters is not gold.

This story teaches us an important lesson that idolizing people or things of this earth will not serve us well. God is the only one that deserves that position in our lives, and we shouldn't allow anything or anyone to take His place.

"You shall have no other gods before Me." Exodus 20:3

He is the only one we should be following and exalting above all others, and we should surround ourselves with godly influences so that our faith is strengthened instead of being taken down a dark road to the "ice house".

"Do not be deceived: Bad company corrupts good morals." 1 Corinthians 15:33

Even though there is a serious and important message at the heart of Bye Bye Birdie, this show is also filled with so much JOY and FUN! I hope you have tons of fun bopping along with our amazingly talented cast and hardworking crew who have spent hours upon hours putting this show together for you.

"A cheerful heart is good medicine..." Proverbs 17:22

To my students—Thank you for bringing me joy and laughter daily. You consistently remind me why I love doing what I do, and it makes the long hours all worth it!

To my Seniors—I can't believe you were my freshmen theater babies when I first came to CCS, and now you're about to embark on a whole new adventure! It has been such a privilege to watch you grow and become the remarkable people you are. I will miss you so very much, but I know God has great things planned for you, and I can't wait to see all He will do in your lives!

To our audience—We aim to perform theater as beautifully and creatively as we know how to glorify God because we believe He is the ultimate creator, and we were made to be creative in His image. So, from the cast, the crew, and me: we hope you enjoy tonight's performance!

PETRA S. PEARCE, DIRECTOR

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"For of Him, and through Him, and to Him are all things; to Him be the glory forever, amen." Romans 11:36