

Joseph Senior and Principal Bios

Nick Bina (Pharaoh) is a sophomore appearing in his second NHS musical production, having previously appeared as a Burger Palace Boy in 2008's *Grease*. He has played football and wrestled since he was a young lad. Nick aspires to become a pyro-technician and start his own firework company. He often enjoys passing the time by watching his older neighbors walk down his street.

Olivia Bliss (Mrs. Potiphar/Lady of the Nile) is a junior. She appeared as Velma Von Tussle in last year's *Hairspray*. In addition to Drama, Olivia is also a Varsity Cheerleader and is involved with Leadership Council. In her spare time, she likes to sleep and cuddle with her cat. After high school, Olivia hopes to attend Ohio State to study Medical Zoology.

Amanda Bugenske (Lady of the Nile) is making her third appearance in a Nordonia musical. She has performed previously in *Beauty and the Beast* and *Hairspray*. She is also involved with Project Mosaic at the high school. Amanda enjoys many activities, including: boating, tubing, snow skiing, singing, and drawing. She loves to spend time with her family, friends, and her dog Rebel. She also loves to attend concerts and musicals. Amanda plans to continue doing theatre in the community and will be working at Hattie's Restaurant in Hudson.

Zach Chubbuck (Joseph) is a junior making his theatrical debut on the Nordonia stage this year as Joseph. He has appeared twice in the Knight of Stars Talent Show, in 2006 and 2012. He also has worked backstage for the talent show. Zach was a member of the Children's Honor Choir in Columbus. He currently takes voice lessons and plays the piano and guitar. He is an honors and AP student, speaks Spanish, and is fluent in English. After high school, Zach plans to attend a four year college to study to become a Physician's Assistant.

Macie Consolo (Lady of the Nile) is a senior who is appearing in her second musical here at Nordonia. She previously performed as the Pepper Shaker in *Beauty and the Beast*. After graduation, Macie plans to attend The University of Akron to become a high school English teacher.

Melanie Davis (Tech Crew Manager) is a senior and this is her fourth year working with the Tech Crew at Nordonia. She has helped with many set and lightning designs for the Drama Club over the years. In addition to her work with Tech, Melanie is a member of Band, for which she has served as a Section Leader and Field Commander, and is a member of the Girl Scouts and Venturing Crew. She plans to attend Cleveland State University this fall to major in Technical Theatre Arts. Be sure to wish Melanie a Happy 18th Birthday on April 20th!

Charlene de Jesus (Narrator) is a sophomore and is returning to the NHS stage after appearing as Council Member Becky in *Hairspray* last year. In addition to Drama, she is serving as an Officer for the Class of 2015 for her second year and is in her second year as a member of Synergy. She is also a member of NEOMED. Charlene also takes lessons in Voice, Dance, and Piano. After high school, she hopes to study Medicine and Music in college.

Isaac Dolan (Dan) is a sophomore this year and is appearing in his second NHS musical. Last year, he appeared in the ensemble, most memorably as the flasher, in *Hairspray*. Isaac has been acting since the age of ten and has been in productions of *The Sound of Music*, *The Wizard of Oz* as Tin Man, and *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* as Charlie. Outside of Drama, he is also a member of the Varsity Golf Team, Band, and Synergy. Isaac is an avid beat boxer and also plays the drums. After high school, Isaac plans to major in Marine Biology with a minor in English.

Katie Farley (Mrs. Naphtali/Baker) is a senior making her fourth appearance in a Nordonia musical production. She has also been in *Seussical the Musical*, *Beauty and the Beast*, and *Hairspray*. She has also performed in productions at St. Barnabas and St. Peter Chanel. In addition to performing, Katie has been swimming for thirteen years and is also a member of National Honor Society. This fall, Katie plans to attend Ohio State to continue her education.

Andrew Filipski (Zebulon/Butler/Dance Captain) is a junior this year. This is his third performance in a Nordonia musical. He has previously appeared as a Wolf and Townsperson in *Beauty and the Beast* and as Council Member Fender in last year's *Hairspray*. Andrew is currently serving as the Vice President of the Drama Club and this is his second year serving as a Dance Captain for the musical. He has taken dance, including: Ballet, Tap, Jazz, and Contemporary, for nine years. Andrew plans to pursue a career in the performing arts after high school.

Thomas Fogg (Levi) is a junior and he is making his stage debut this year in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. He is also a member of the Academic Challenge Team. Thomas plans to study either Physics or Psychology after high school.

Chris Fujikawa (Issachar) is a sophomore who is appearing in his second Nordonia production. He performed last year as Council Member Mikey in *Hairspray*. In addition to Drama, Chris has played soccer for twelve years and is a member of Alpha Leadership. He has also been taking voice lessons for five years. When asked about his future plans, Chris responds by saying that he hopes to one day become as talented as the amazing Mr. Simmons. He awaits the day he gets his license so he can follow Mr. Simmons at all times, which he promises, is NOT creepy.

Sam Fujikawa (Benjamin) is in the eighth grade and is already making his fourth appearance in a Nordonia musical. He has previously appeared as Jerome in *South Pacific*, Jojo in *Seussical the Musical*, and as Chip in *Beauty and the Beast*. Sam is a member of the Drama Club, Teen Leaders, and has been swimming for ½ of a decade. He has been taking voice lessons for 7 years and also studies piano and violin.

Connor Greenwood (Naphtali) is a junior and is appearing in his first musical here at Nordonia. He appeared as Jack Jerome, the jewel thief, in last fall's murder mystery. Connor is currently the President of Student Council and the Vice President of Key Club. He is also a member of National Honor Society and Leadership Council. Some of his favorite pastimes include: mountain and road biking, traveling, baseball, and just being outside. He loves country music and taking long walks on the beach, if he can find one. After high school, Connor plans to attend college in the big city and study International Relations or Federal Law Enforcement.

Erica Hirsch (Lady of the Nile) is a senior and this is her second time performing in a Nordonia musical. She previously appeared as an enchanted object in *Beauty and the Beast*. She has been a member of the Bowling Team for three years and has been dancing for eleven. This fall, Erica plans to attend a four year college to pursue a degree in Secondary Education.

Sara Hoag (Assistant Stage Manager) is a senior working backstage on her third production here at Nordonia. She has also worked on crew for *Clue* and *Hairspray*. Sara has been a Girl Scout for ten years and has done a lot of volunteer work with the Library and the Methodist Church. After high school, Sara plans to attend Kent State University to continue her education.

Steve McFarland (Reuben) is a junior this year. This is his second performance on the Nordonia stage after having performed as Council Member IQ in *Hairspray* last year. He also appeared as Joseph in The Nativity Scene last December at The United Methodist Church. Steve has played football and is in the band. He is also a member of National Honor Society and Synergy. Steve is currently taking voice lessons from Vicki Lester. After high school, Steve hopes to attend The Ohio State University to study Biochemistry.

Kevin McMichael (Simeon/Potiphar) is in the eleventh grade and this is his fourth musical here at Nordonia. He has previously appeared as a cadet in *Seussical*, as the Young Prince and the Book Seller in *Beauty and the Beast*, and as Edna Turnblad in last year's *Hairspray*. He has also appeared in the last three murder mysteries. Kevin is actively involved in his class and Student Council. He also enjoys long walks.....to the fridge.

Mike O'Neill (Gad) is a junior and is returning to the NHS stage to play Gad (or God, depending on your pronunciation) after having previously appeared in *Beauty and the Beast*. Mike play varsity and club soccer and is currently working at the Nordonia Hills Library. He enjoys swimming, reading, and rock climbing. Mike is currently unsure of what he was pursue after high school, but is considering going to school to study Business.

Amanda Pace (One More Angel Soloist) is a freshman appearing in her first musical as NHS, but this is not her first experience with musical theatre. She has appeared in productions of *Peter Pan*, *The Wizard of Oz*, and *High School Musical*. She was also in last fall's murder mystery. Amanda is actively involved with B.U.D.S. and Teen Institute. She also sings with her church choir. Amanda plays the piano and is a member of the Zoo Crew at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. In the future, Amanda hopes to study to be a Veterinarian and also continue to be involved with Music and Theatre.

Grace Porter (Mrs. Reuben) is a senior making her fourth appearance on stage having previously performed in *Seussical*, *Beauty and the Beast*, and *Hairspray*. In addition to Drama, she is also a member of Band and the Board of the Literary Magazine. Grace was a member of the Kent State 2013 All Star Symphonic Band. She enjoys reading, horseback riding, puzzles, watching movies, baking, and sleeping. Grace plans to attend Tri C this fall to pursue a career in Audio Engineering.

Dakota Pugh (Asher) is in the eighth grade and is appearing in his first musical at Nordonia High School. In the past year, Dakota has also appeared in productions of *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* as Grandpa Joe and *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* as the Prince. He is a member of the band and choir. After high school, Dakota plans to go to college to become an Astro-Physicist.

Frankie Simmons (Narrator/Apache Dancer) is a senior and is appearing in her fifth Nordonia musical. She first appeared as Amaryllis in 2006's *The Music Man*. In high school, she has appeared in *Seussical*, *Beauty and the Beast*, and as Council Member TAMMY!!! in *Hairspray*. Tammy. Frankie performed at The University of Akron last fall as Eva 2 in *Stories of the Kindertransport*. She is currently serving as the President of the Drama Club, and is also a member of National Honor Society, Teen Institute, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Tammy. Frankie is a four-year Varsity Letterman in Cross Country and has served as a Team Captain for the last two seasons. She is also a three-year Varsity Letterman in Track. Tammy. After high school, Frankie plans to attend college to study Science with a minor in Spanish. She hopes to also study abroad in Spain. Tammy. She would like to send a special thank you to Miss Sawyer, Chris, Mrs. Czekaj, Leah, Sean, and Megan for helping to make these past four years so incredible. TEAM TAMMY FOR LIFE!!!

Adam Smith (Pit Orchestra) is a senior and this is his second year playing guitar in the Pit Orchestra. He has also worked on the tech crew for two years. He is also a member of Synergy, Choir, Band, and Jazz Band. Adam plays 20 instruments and is/has been a member of five bands. He thinks music is “pretty OK”. Adam will attend The University of Akron this fall to study Electrical Engineering. He hopes to one day move to Ireland.

Keyshaun Smith (Judah) is a sophomore this year and this is his second time appearing in an NHS musical. He appeared last year in *Hairspray* and also as Principal Richmond in last fall’s murder mystery. Nicknamed the “Voice of Nordonia”, Keyshaun is involved in a number of groups and activities including: Student Council, Teen Institute, NHS PTSA, Student Levy Committee, Leadership Council, and Choir. He has great pride in his school and also works as a DJ on the side. Keyshaun plans to attend college and pursue a career in Broadcast Journalism and Communications.