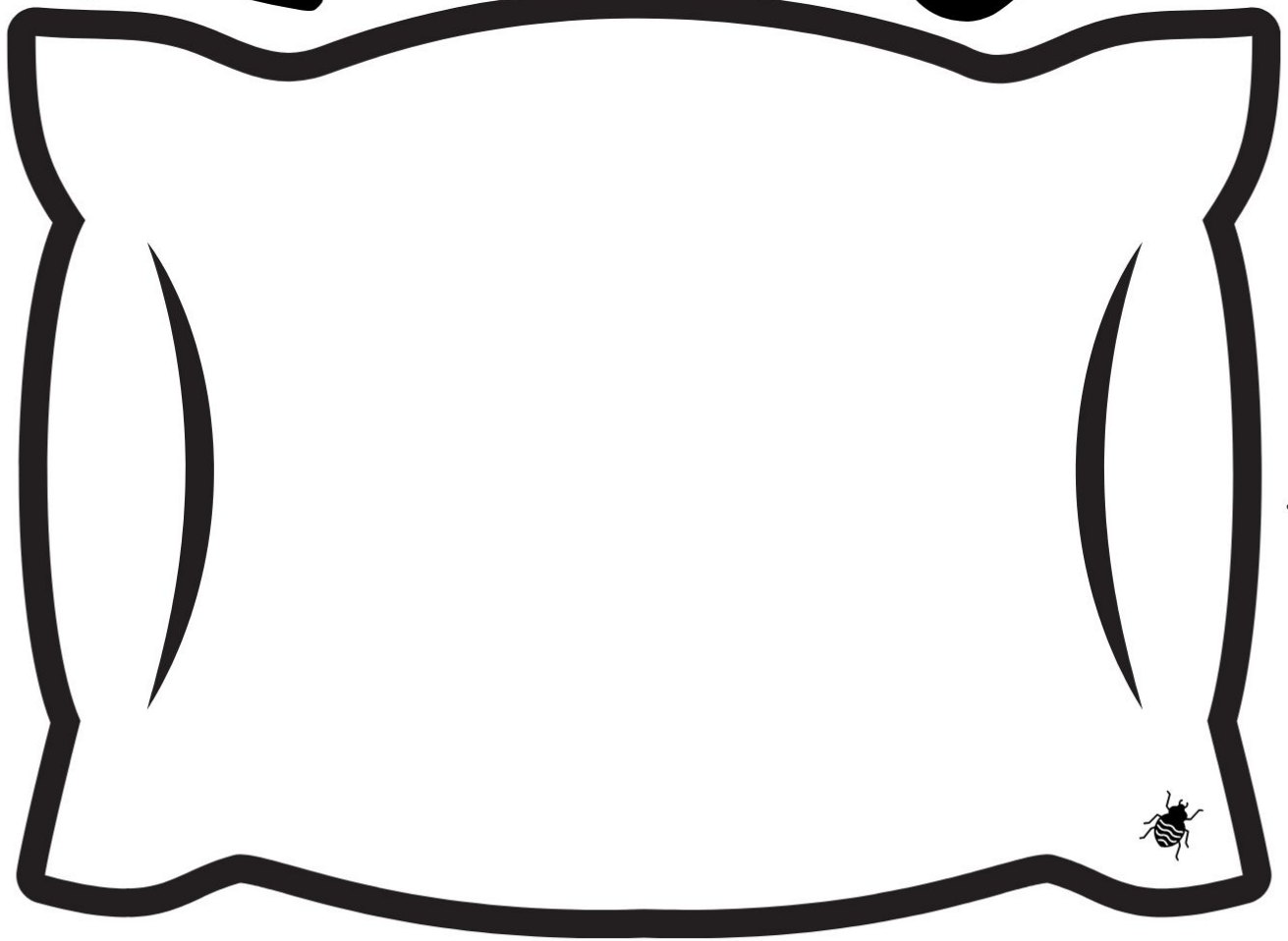


The Wadsworth Footlighters
Proudly Presents:

BEDBUGS.



By: Leah Genuario

May 15th - 18th, 2025

At Grace Lutheran Church
(146 High Street, Wadsworth)



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"Bedbugs" is produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Denver, Colorado

Bedbugs Cast:

Mother Morgen Kyser
Maire Anna Smith
Squish Hailey Svenson
Doodle Quinn Ziska
Ledoo..... Jet Druley
Zoop Lauren Stevenson
Boogle Maizey Wagner
Mayor Snickles Briella Maurer
Sam Samuel Fongheiser
Patsy Maeve Becker
Peter Toby Liddy
R Isabel Charles
X Ruby Pesata
Penelope Finley Bluey
Whoops Ollie Liddy

Extra Bug Town Residents:

..... Roc Druley
..... Evelyn Enders
..... Archer Pesata
..... Theo Pesata
..... Molly Renner
..... Landon Schoonover
..... Elyanna Van Arnam



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Who's Who:

Maeve Becker (Patsy): Maeve Becker is excited to make her Wadsworth Footlighter's debut as peace-loving Patsy. She has previously been in the musicals Cinderella Jr. (Little Girl) and Annie Jr. virtual (Molly) with Ohio Youth Ensemble Stage and Frozen Kids (ensemble) with The Brecksville Theater Summer Camp. When not acting, she enjoys playing cello, reading, playing tennis and basketball, and painting. Maeve would like to thank Cory and her family as she acts in her first play.

Finley Bluey (Penelope): Finley Bluey is an 8 year old from Wadsworth, Ohio. Finley has previously shown off her skills in 2 other productions, Finding Nemo JR. and Folk Tails, with the Wadsworth Footlighters. When Finley isn't on the stage, she is seen playing softball, basketball, or practicing routines for gymnastics. However, she is usually found singing and dancing in her room. Finley is excited to take on her 3rd show as Penelope in Bedbugs!

Isabel Charles (R): Isabel is 8 years old and absolutely delighted to be making her stage debut as R! She loves reading, gymnastics, skiing, volleyball, and spending time with her friends. Isabel has a big imagination, a sweet heart, and a great sense of humor—she finds just about everything funny and is always ready for a good laugh. She's had a blast bringing R (and other bed bugs) to life and hopes you enjoy the show as much as she's enjoyed being a part of it!

Jet Druley (Ledoo): Jet Druley is a 6th grader at Claggett Middle School and is thrilled to be part of Bed Bugs, her third production with the Wadsworth Footlighters. Jet has a passion for performing, she loves singing, dancing, and spending time at the theater. She takes Broadway and Jazz dance classes at the Medina Centre for Dance Art. Her favorite musical is Wicked, though there are far too many tied for second place to choose just one!

Roc Druley (Bug Town Resident): Roc is a 2nd grader at H.G. Blake Elementary, and Bed Bugs marks her very first performance with the Wadsworth Footlighters. Roc is excited to make her debut on a real stage, though she's no stranger to the spotlight. She's been writing, directing, and starring in her own home productions for years. Roc takes Broadway dance classes at the Medina Centre for Dance Art and loves bringing stories to life through performance.

Evelyn Enders (Bug Town Resident): Evelyn Enders, who plays the role of Bug Town Resident, is proud to be in her first production, Bedbugs. She is in Kindergarten at Sacred Heart of Jesus School and loves Art and Gym. Evelyn also enjoys singing, gymnastics, and dancing ballet and tap. She would like to thank her mom, dad, and brothers for their love and support. Evelyn also thanks Cory Ott and the Wadsworth Footlighters for this new and fun experience with acting.

Samuel Fongheiser (Sam): Samuel is a 12 year old who loves a lot of things: music, Legos, Lego Star Wars, TobyMac, and singing. This is his first play with the Footlighters, following in the footsteps of his two older sisters, Holly and Heidi. He's enjoying the experience and can't wait to perform it for everyone! Samuel would like to thank Cory for the experience, his parents for allowing him the opportunity, and his fellow castmates for such a fun time. Break a leg!

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Morgen Kyser (Mother): Morgen is thrilled to be performing once again under the direction of Mr. Cory Ott. Some of her previous roles include Ariel (*Footloose*), The Baker's Wife (*Into the Woods*), and Martha (*The Secret Garden*). Morgen currently teaches and directs at Stow-Munroe Falls High School, where she is also a proud co-advisor for their Drama Club. She encourages you to have a "good night, sleep tight, don't let the bedbugs bite," and to enjoy the show!

Ollie Liddy (Whoops): Ollie Liddy is excited for his debut role as Whoops in The Wadsworth Footlighters production of Bedbugs! He is a 1st grade student in Wadsworth and his favorite subject is art. Outside of theater, Ollie is a cheerleader, plays soccer, and has recently expressed an interest in learning the drums and flute. Ollie is thankful for his brother, Toby, for encouraging him to audition and to his family for their support. He can't wait to finally share the stage with his brother!

Toby Liddy (Peter): Toby Liddy is ecstatic to perform in The Wadsworth Footlighters production of Bedbugs as Peter! He is a 4th grade student in Wadsworth and has been involved in various school clubs and activities. Toby first appeared in Finding Nemo Jr and has since played the role of Johnny in Miracle on 34th Street and a skunk in Folk Tails. Outside of theater, Toby bowls, plays soccer, and enjoys learning various musical instruments. He is thankful for his family and friends for always supporting him and is excited to share the stage with his little brother for the first time.

Briella Maurer (Mayor Snickles): Briella is a 5th grader at CIS. Briella has two sisters, Erika and Cynthia, and a brother, Tyler. Briella has a dog named Oreo. She likes to play outside on her trampoline, riding her scooters and swimming in her pool. Briella plays soccer for WASA and enjoys riding horses. She enjoys drama club and doing plays.

Archer Pesata (Bug Town Resident): Archer Pesata is 6 years old and in kindergarten at Medina Christian Academy. Archer loves playing sports, especially baseball, and is excited to bring lots of energy to the stage. He's proud to be part of the cast and hopes everyone enjoys the show!

Ruby Pesata (X): Ruby Pesata is 9 years old and in 3rd grade at Medina Christian Academy. She is thrilled to play X in BedBugs! Ruby loves creating art, swimming, and spending time with her family. This is her first time performing in a play, and she's so excited to be part of the show!

Theo Pesata (Bug Town Resident): Theo Pesata is 6 years old and in kindergarten at Medina Christian Academy. Theo loves to dance and dreams of performing in Wicked one day—it's his favorite ever! He's so happy to be in the show and hopes you love it as much as he does!

Molly Renner (Bug Town Resident): Molly Renner is a 5th grader in Wadsworth Schools. This is her theatrical debut. She is very excited to be a bug, but has to admit she'd rather be a sloth. She loves to sing, dance, and play outside with her friends. She loves to bug her family (tehe lol).

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Landon Schoonover (Bug Town Resident): Landon Schoonover (Bug Town Resident) is excited to make his stage debut in *Bedbugs!* Landon loves playing outside, swimming, and discovering fun science facts—especially when he gets to share them with others. He's thrilled to be part of the cast and hopes you enjoy the show as much as he's enjoyed being a Bug Town Resident!

Anna Smith (Marie): Anna Smith is thrilled to make her debut with the Wadsworth Footlighters as Marie in *Bedbugs*. A resident of Medina, Anna attends St. Francis Xavier School and is an active member of Girl Scout Troop 90152. Anna's previous stage credits include performances at Weathervane Playhouse, where she appeared as an elf in *Elf the Musical*, an Oompa Loompa in *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, and as part of the children's choir and featured soloist in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. She is also a dedicated student in the Weathervane Educational Academy, where she has played the Scarecrow in a class production of *The Wizard of Oz* and Middle Anna in Disney's *Frozen Jr.* Anna is a proud member of the Weathervane Musical Theater Company, as well as the St. Francis Xavier Children's Choir and School Chorale. She would like to thank her mom and dad for always supporting her love of theater and performing!

Lauren Stevenson (Zoop): Lauren Stevenson is a 6th grader at CIS and is thrilled to be an "extra Bug Town Resident" in this production. She made her stage debut in the introduction of *Folktails* in 2024 and currently takes voice lessons to grow her love of singing. Lauren enjoys reading, crafting with all kinds of materials, and diving into fun facts—especially about science. She has autism and brings a unique perspective and enthusiasm to everything she does. Lauren loves making new friends and is very excited to be a part of the Wadsworth Footlighters!

Hailey Svenson (Squish): Hailey Svenson is a 5th grader in Wadsworth who is excited to be playing the very stressed little bedbug named Squish. Hailey has been in two other Footlighters productions - *Finding Nemo* and *Folk Tails*. She has also performed in the Northeast Ohio Dance's production of the *Nutcracker* and in several Weathervane Playhouse workshops. Her favorite role was playing Dorothy in the *Wizard of Oz*. When she is not acting on stage, she enjoys dancing, singing and riding horses.

Elyanna Van Arnam (Bug Town Resident): Elyanna Van Arnam is six years old and is a kindergartener at Isham Elementary School in Mrs. Capone's class. She is very excited to be in her first theatrical performance, although she is no stranger to putting on a show! Elyanna loves making people laugh, smile, and feel happy, so it was only natural for her to want to try her hand in theatre arts. When she's not part of some performance, she enjoys dancing, singing, sports, and playing with her friends. Elyanna is the lovely daughter of Tracie and Chad, a little sister to Adelynn, and a big sister to Bryson.

Maizey Wagner (Boogle): Maizey is a 5th grader at CIS. This is her second time being part of a performance. She is so excited to be a part of the Footlighters. She became interested in theatre watching her big sister. She would like to thank everyone that has helped with the show and everyone for coming to watch.

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Quinn Ziska (Doodle): Quinn is thrilled to return to the stage with The Wadsworth Footlighters, as Doodle. She has also performed in High School Musical, Folk Tails, Finding Nemo Jr, Willy Wonka Jr and 33 Little Pigs. Quinn will be a 6th grader at Claggett Middle School in Medina where she is a member of the orchestra. Quinn's current favorite shows are & Juliet, Moulin Rouge and Six, The Musical.

Cory Ott (Director): Cory is a theatrical director who has directed for the Footlighters for a number of years. Shows include High School Musical, Finding Nemo Junior, Willy Wonka Junior, Mary Poppins Junior, and Peter Pan Junior. He has also directed for Medina County Show Biz, Theatre 8:15, and Wadsworth City Schools, to name a few. Cory was a Cast Member for the Walt Disney Company, and hopes to return to sunny Florida someday. He would like to thank the people who have helped him get where he is today, you know who you are! "All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them." ~ Walt Disney. Cory hopes you enjoy Bedbugs and thanks you for supporting the arts.



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