The Skin of Our Teeth

A Huntington High School Drama Club Production

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5 – 8:00 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6 – 8:00 PM
The Skin of Our Teeth
by
Thorton Wilder

Directory
Michael Schwendemann

Student Director
Danni Cerezo

Technical Director
Ken Gilbert

Paint Supervisor
Debra Wartan

Costumes
Dana Freed
Norcostco Costume Co.

Logo
Anna Wertheim

Program
Ellen Fleury

Special Thanks

Ellen Fleury
For the time & the effort

Dana Freed
For continuing to be a Drama Queen

Ken Gilbert
For making my visions a reality

Jackie Higgins
For carrying the torch

Jim Incorvaia & the Usdan Center for the Performing Arts
For giving us a place to sit

The Ironmans
For all you do

The Kileys
For cleaning & then some

All the Kings & Queens
For putting up with the hours & me

Lorraine Moya
For being picture perfect

Peg Reinertsen
For the publicity — MSG/Varsity IS more than just sports

Rocco, Ray & John
For being good sports

The Secretaries — Fran — Alicia — Sandy & Janet
Who keep me on task & out of trouble

&
Whirlybird
A true artist & a good friend

Act I
Home, Excelsior, New Jersey.

Act II
Atlantic City Boardwalk.

Act III
Home, Excelsior, New Jersey.

Director’s Notes
My best friend has a plaque on his desk that states — losing faith in humanity one person at a time. We laugh about how true this might be, for just as one loses faith in their fellow man, something or someone restores that lost hope. The Skin of Our Teeth — at once prophetic and profound — was written as war raged in Europe as we waited in the wings for our entrance. For me the play reveals man’s inhumanity to man and how it is our choice to continue forward or just give up: The ever-optimistic Mr. Antrobus, who is pulled in every direction but consistently battles the obstacles the universe throws in his path; Henry, the angry young man who wishes to make the world his own at all costs — be it father or brother that stands in his way — no one is safe; The emerging rights of women who are viewed as both nurturer and sexual object as seen in the characters of Mrs. Antrobus and Sabina — only time will tell in whose footsteps Gladys will follow. Yet all will survive time, tide and each other. For “in the midst of life, we are in the midst of death” — the great equalizer — sometimes fought — sometimes welcomed — it’s not the beginning or the end but the journey we must enjoy. Join us as we watch one man’s family tackle in microcosm what we tackle every day, as we hang on by the skin of our teeth.
Technical Crew

Stage Managers
Justin Fleiss
Marc Solomowitz

Lighting
Gabe Goldman
Mike Lambui
Zoe Lurie

Sound
Dylan Ferber
Scott Minson
Christine Powers

Crew Members
Catherine Moreira
Shail Patel
Judy L. Quintero
Stephanie Shea
David Silva
Guy Steward
Ashley Veliz
Maria Veliz
Caillen Yabroudy

Crew Members
Wilmarie Aviles
Lauren Bialkowski
Sheila Cruz
Jordan Fairbanks
Jessica Flores
Andrew Funk
Daniel Guerrero
Alexa Kaplan
Hannah Lomele
Gisselle Martinez
Melena Mills

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The Drama Parents Association
would like to thank the cast and crew of
“The Skin of Our Teeth”
for an outrageously wonderful show,
Mr. Schwendemann for his abounding enthusiasm,
and Mr. Gilbert for his “can do” attitude.

Join us again on
April 8 & 9
for our spring musical...

Announcer ........................................... Diana Frank
Sabina ..................................................... Ally Kiley
Mr. Fitzpatrick ........................................... Louie Contino
Mrs. Antrobus .......................................... Rebecca DeConto
Dinosaur ................................................... Mary Place
Mammoth ................................................... Elizabeth Roman
Telegraph Boy ........................................... Marc Widerman
Gladys ....................................................... Erin Lasorsa
Henry ......................................................... Mikah Feldman-Stein
Mr. Antrobus ............................................. Jonah Kramer
Doctor ..................................................... Jaime Moskowitz
Professor .................................................. Samar Nadi
Judge ......................................................... Matt Petryk
Homer ......................................................... Daniel Moya
The Four Muses ...................... Equislaure Gabriel, Kelsey Getz
......................................................... Anna Harris, Hannah Rice
Bingo Caller ............................................. Laura Ironman
Fortune Teller ........................................... Mary-Liz O’Neill
Broadcast Official ................................. Richard Gray
Defeated Candidate .............................. Marc Widerman
Mr. Tremayne ........................................... John Ferraiolo
Hester ....................................................... Anna Wertheim
Ivy .............................................................. Shira Moskowitz
Mrs. Bailey ............................................... Emily McGoldrick
Drum Majorette ....................................... Alex Reinertsen
Usher ......................................................... Sarah Mosden
Conveeners .................................. Louie Contino, John Ferraiolo,
......................................................... Richard Gray, Brendan Higgins, Daniel Moya,
......................................................... Matt Petryk, Marc Widerman
Thank you for being the father figure of our lives. Louie would like to apologize for the fact that he doesn’t seem to be as outgoing as he once was. He has always enjoyed dramatic productions. His dominating performance in his first drama production sealed his place among the drama community. Since then, he has had the opportunity to be a part of the cast of The Skin of Our Teeth. He is grateful for the experience and will instill in us the wisdom he has acquired. We will take it to the next step in our lives. Louie would like to thank you for all the support you have provided him. He is grateful for the opportunity you have given him to perform and be a part of the cast. He is looking forward to the next production and hopes to continue participating in the performing arts.

There are so many things that I’m thankful for. First off, I’d like to thank my family “The Ferraiolo Family”, and my second family “The Drama Club” for giving me the confidence and bravery to go up on stage and perform. Second, I would like to thank Dan Moya for taking the time to let me teach him the guitar. Third, I would like to thank Sarah Mosden who has the guts to be the only freshman in this production. And fourth, I would like to thank Schwendy and Danni Cerezo. Together they made this year’s production the best of the best in this school. I appeared in two productions last year, Stage Door and Meet Me in St. Louis. This is my second and last year being in the drama. Although it’s my last, I will never forget the day I decided to join. The Skin of Our Teeth is hilarious, Biblical, historical and I’m glad that I’m in it. Break a leg everyone! And let us all give people around the world Peace, Love and Beef Cubes!!!

break legs in the worst way. Love you all!
to Aunt Kerri, Aunt Mary, Momma, Aunt Sheila and Uncle Bobby, his cousins, and the Schilligs who never miss a show.

LAURA IRONMAN (Bingo Caller) is pleased to be working with the cast in her third production at Huntington High School. Some past performances include Meet Me in St. Louis, Stage Door (Bernice), Mulan Jr. (The Matchmaker/Shan Yu) and Seussical the Musical. She would like to dedicate her performance to her family: Love to Brandon, Jess, Sara, Dad and especially Mom — sorry your hair is more gray than usual lately. And finally, to her grandparent, for their support, and Johnny, who continues to inspire me every day.

ALLY KILEY (Sabina) This is Ally’s seventh HHS Drama Club production... Gee Willikers! She’s loved every minute of the gut-busting, heart-wrenching, eye-rolling dysfunction. Past roles include Vera in Auntie Mame, Judith in Stage Door and Katie in Meet Me in St. Louis. Buckets of thanks to Mr. Schwendemann, Danni, Mr. Gilbert, Mrs. Fretz and all the wonderful Drama Club parents (especially those Kileys)! Enjoy the show.

JONAH KRAMER (Mr. Antrobus) finds it hard to believe that this is the last drama that he will be in at HHS. Jonah is humbled to be part of such an amazingly talented cast. This is Jonah’s seventh production with the Drama Club. His other HHS credits are Meet Me in St. Louis (John Truitt), Stage Door (Keith Burgess), The Pajama Game (Sid Sorokin), Auntie Mame (Beauregard Burnside), Crazy For You (Bobby Child), and Arsenic and Old Lace (Mortimer Brewster). Jonah’s other credits include 13 the Musical (Malcolm), A Chorus Line (Mike Costa), Thoroughly Modern Millie (Ching Ho), Into the Woods (Jack), All Shook Up (Dennis), High School Musical (Ryan Evans), and many more. Jonah would like to thank the cast and crew for making this such an enriching experience and his family and friends for being so supportive.

ERIN LASORSA (Gladys) is so happy to be in her fifth play at Huntington High School. Playing Gladys has been amazing and being part of Drama Club has been, as it always is, an experience that she wouldn’t trade for the world. She hopes everyone enjoys watching the play as much as everyone did putting it together. Mom, don’t fall asleep, please.

EMILY McGOLDRICK (Mrs. Bailey) is elated to be part of this fall’s HHS production of The Skin of Our Teeth. Her past performances include Aladdin, Mulan, Annie, Stage Door, and most recently, Meet Me in St. Louis. She always looks forward to an oh-so-fabulous afternoon (or evening, or night) with Drama Club and quite a few slightly disturbing jokes along the way. She would like to give a big thanks to all of the students, parents, teachers, and especially Schwendy, who helped make this show possible.

SARAH MOSDEN (Usher) is very excited to be the only Freshman in this year’s fall production. This is her very first Huntington High School performance. She is excited to be working with such a great cast. She has previously appeared in Alice In Wonderland Jr. and Red Riding Hood.

JAIME MOSKOWITZ (Doctor) is thrilled to be playing multiple roles in this year’s fall production, The Skin Of Our Teeth. She’s been in most of the shows that she has had an opportunity to audition for, including all productions in the school district and a few at her summer camp. This is her third production under the direction of Schwendy, and she hopes to continue being involved in the shows here at the high school. She would like to tell the entire cast to “Break a leg!” and says “Moo!” to everyone watching.

SHIRA MOSKOWITZ (Ivy) is thrilled to be a part of this production of The Skin of Our Teeth. This is her third show at Huntington High School. She was in both Stage Door as Olga and the chorus of Meet Me in St. Louis. She has also been in many other plays including Grease, as Rizzo, and Bye Bye Birdie, as Ursula. She would like to thank the cast and crew for all of their hard work.

DANIEL MOYA (Homer, Conveener) is honored to be in this fall’s production. He attends the Lee Strasberg Theater and Film Institute as he was accepted to Juilliard’s Pre-College program. He sang in the 2009 All-State Mixed Choir, placed second in the 2010 Classical Singer National HS Vocal Competition and was recently named a 2011 LIAA Scholar Artist. She spent the past two summers studying voice in Nice, France. Special thanks to Schwendy, Gil, and an amazing cast. From the craziness on stage, to the craziness in the basement, Mary-Liz has had an unforgettable four years in the HHS Drama Club.

SAMAR NADI (Professor) is a junior and attends Huntington High School five days a week. She was in The Pajama Game and Auntie Mame. She is very dedicated to the Drama Club and many others. She was born on August 30, 1994, which means she is sixteen years young. She has a love for singing and for her family members. Samar also hopes you enjoy the show.

MARY-LIZ O’NEILL (Fortune Teller) is a Senior at HHS. Her favorite shows/roles to date include Meet Me in St. Louis, On the Town (Hildy), The Wizard of Oz (Dorothy), as well as The Pajama Game (Mae), Auntie Mame (Gloria Upson) and Arsenic and Old Lace (dead body). Mary-Liz plans to pursue a degree in Vocal Performance, and currently attends Juilliard’s Pre-College program. She sang in the 2009 All-State Mixed Choir, placed second in the 2010 Classical Singer National HS Vocal Competition and was recently named a 2011 LIAA Scholar Artist. She spent the past two summers studying voice in Nice, France. Special thanks to Schwendy, Gil, and an amazing cast. From the craziness on stage, to the craziness in the basement, Mary-Liz has had an unforgettable four years in the HHS Drama Club.

MATT PETRYK (Judge, Conveener) is a junior and has appeared as Sam Hastings in Stage Door and in the pit orchestra in March 2009’s The Pajama Game. That was the experience that convinced him to join Drama Club as an actor: the late nights, gallons of caffeine, and weary camaraderie.
Louis part of the spring musical, played Susan in St. Louis. She loves high school and everything she is a part of. She wants to thank her parents for driving her home each day she is a part of. She wants to thank her family, they are always there for her. She dedicates her performance to her friends in color guard in the marching band. She has previously been in Meet Me in St. Louis, Mulan Jr., Aladdin Jr., and Seussical. Also she is currently involved in color guard in the marching band. She dedicates her performance to her friends & family, they are always there for her.

ALEX REINERTSEN (Drum Majorette) is a sophomore at Huntington High School who loves theater, acting and music. She is delighted to be in her second HHS drama production. She has previously been in Meet Me in St. Louis, Mulan, Annie, Aladdin and Seussical. Also she is currently involved in color guard in the marching band. She dedicates her performance to her friends & family, they are always there for her.

HANNAH RICE (Muse), is new to Drama Club, and very excited to be in this year’s production of The Skin of Our Teeth. She feels so accepted by the entire cast and already feels like part of the family. This actually is the first production she’s been in since Seussical the Musical, only adding to her enjoyment of this play and her inclusion in the Drama Club. She’d like to thank all involved.

ELIZABETH ROMAN (Mammoth) is thrilled to be playing the mammoth in Act I. Over the years she has been in Meet Me in St. Louis, Mulan Jr., Seussical Jr., Annie Jr., and Aladdin Jr. She has worked really hard for this play and hopes you enjoy it.

ANNA WERTHEIM (Hester) is glad to be a veteran of Drama Club. Even though this is only her sophomore year she loves it with all her heart. Anna, in The Skin of Our Teeth, is playing a bugle soloist who has no acting experience. This is her third show at Huntington High School; the previous ones include Meet Me in St. Louis and Stage Door. Previous productions Anna has been in are A Midsummer Night’s Dream (Quince), Leaving Hannibal (Professor Barton), and The Real Inspector Hound (Mrs. Drudge). Anna hopes to continue to grow as an actress and one day aspire to be a lead in a show. She would like to thank Mrs. Singer for all her help with the design of the logo and Schwendy for everything that he does for us Drama Clubians. She would also like to thank her family for driving her to and from her endless activities and putting up with her tired self. Anna would like to dedicate her performance to her grandmother. Mamam was always at every show, concert induction, ceremony — you name it — supporting her. And she would also like to dedicate this performance to Renee, thank you Renee for being my second grandmother and supporting me like you would your own grandchild.

MARC WIDERMAN (Telegraph Boy, Defeated Candidate, Conveener) first wanted to be an actor after seeing his brother in a production of You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown at USDAN Center for the Creative and Performing Arts, and ever since he has been following in his brother’s footsteps and more doing shows at the high school, other schools and at USDAN where he recently was in a production of Li’l Abner which was ironically directed by Schwendy.

Booster

All the best to the cast and crew of The Skin of Our Teeth.
— The Mosden Family
Sarah, I am so proud of you today and always. — Mom
Good Luck Daniel! You are so amazing, I love you! — Love, Melissa
Good Luck to the cast and crew of The Skin of Our Teeth!
Break a leg Daniel! — Love, Mom, Dad and Garrett
Katelyn Postiglione — We are looking forward to seeing you in another great production. — Love you, Mom, Dad, Ryan, and Littlegirl.
“Wait, you’re not going to pee on me, are you?”
Diana, I can’t pick you up. I have to cook the chicken. We are so proud of you. Love you. — Love, Mom and Dad
Emily — Can’t believe it’s already your 3rd Drama Club production. We are so proud of you. — Mom & Dad
Congrats Emily. Have an amazing show. We love our beautiful drama queen. — Love Tara & Erin
Emily — Good luck on your latest Drama Club role. — Love, Grandma & Pap Pop
I’m not going to make out with your retainer!
Anna — Bingo! Whatever you do, you truly are a winner. — Love, Mom & Dad
Daniel — Can’t believe we have to miss this one… first one ever :( Break a leg! We love you! — Aunt Jo and Mimi
Shira — You are amazing. We love you. — Eema and Abba
Shira — You are a shining star. — Art
Ally, You are so much better than us…BEEFFF KEWWBS (Beef cubes) — Love always, Louie and Shira (the leads)
Louie, stop the robot noises.
Jonah — The Cabanna…beef cubes galore! — Your friend, Ally
The real star of the show: Little Danni! — Ally
Rebecca, you are a star! A truer word was never said. — Love, Mom, Charlie, Teddy
What is a wheel? …Bagel.
Hi, my name is Ida — HR
Let’s browse at Toys R Us! — AH & JM
Congratulations, Ally. Break a leg! — Love, Mommy, Daddy, Tori, Grandma, Grandpa, Gammy & Poppa
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