DONT DRINK THE WATER

A Huntington High School Drama Club Production

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13 – 7:30 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14 – 2:00 & 7:30 PM
Don’t Drink the Water
_A Comedy in Two Acts_
by
Woody Allen

Student Directors
Melissa Ingle
Billy Garfinkel

Props
Dana Freed

Backdrop
Grosh Backdrops & Drapery

Director
Michael Schwendemann

Technical Director
Chris Helmke

Set Design
Dana Freed
Michael Schwendemann

Costumes
Norcostco Costume Co.
Dana Freed

Cover Illustration
Ann Glackin

Program
Ellen Fleury

Set Design
Dana Freed
Michael Schwendemann

Synopsis of Scenes
The action of the play takes place in an American Embassy somewhere behind the Iron Curtain.

Act One
Scene 1: A late summer afternoon
Scene 2: Later the same day
Scene 3: Several days later
Scene 4: Late that night
Scene 5: Several days later

Act Two
Scene 1: The next day
Scene 2: Two days later
Scene 3: That night
Scene 4: The next morning

Cast
(in order of appearance)

Father Drobney .................................................. William Fallon
Ambassador Magee ............................................. Maddie Shea
Kilroy ............................................................ Rachel Carpenter
Axel Magee ........................................................... Kevin McConnell
Marion Hollander ................................................... Nancy Fallon
Walter Hollander ................................................... Andrew Gunthner
Susan Hollander ................................................... Carolanne Buoniello
Krojack .............................................................. Logan Rice
Burns ................................................................. Peter Ciccione
Chef ................................................................. Jordan Biener
Sultan of Bashir ................................................... Justin Waite
Sultan’s First Wife ................................................... Amara Ayler
Sultan’s Second Wife ............................................. Amelia Reilly
Kasnar ............................................................. Ann Glackin
Countess Bardoni .................................................. Isabella Cahill
Novotny .............................................................. LJ Kindall
**Director’s Notes**

*Don’t Drink the Water*—madcap comedy, social commentary or both? The more things change, the more they stay the same. It seems like only yesterday the Cold War was a memory. With the return of Russia as an aggressive international player are we now embroiled in a new Cold War. Under the guise of “spy games” we have a family trapped in the American Embassy behind the Iron Curtain during their first trip to Europe. A caterer (a reluctant traveler) with his wife and daughter are the innocent victims of a political tug-of-war about espionage. What comes to the forefront are two stories of love—familial and romantic—the long-married couple that understand who they are and what they mean to each other and the two crazy kids who decide to marry after knowing each other a fortnight, proving we don’t know what life will throw our way, but we are sure to come out on the other side if we keep our sense of humor and surround ourselves with friendship and love. Enjoy the show!

**Special Thanks**

Meg McConnell  
You light up our lives and our set

Ellen Fleury  
You stay with us through thick and thick

Kathy Shea  
You pick up the ball when I drop it

Al White  
You made our office complete

Ken Gilbert  
You are always on call

Fran, Donna, Janet, and Sandy  
You keep me in line

Drama Club Parents  
You put up with me

Dana Freed  
For everything

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**Stage Crew**

- **Sound**  
  Arly Romero
  Brendan Mulroy
  Quinn Blackburn

- **Script Reading**  
  Michelle Veliz

- **Lighting**  
  Roxanna Aguilar

- **Interns**  
  Andy Ulloa
  Quinn Hughes

**2015-2016 Stage Crew**

- Ben Whitcher
- Andy Ulloa
- Roxanna Aguilar
- Maya DelGiudice
- Quinn Hughes
- Katherine DeGennaro
- Erik Varady
- Callan Daly
- Joey Dammers
- Christina Varady
- Michelle Veliz
- Sophie Wylie

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Join us again on April 15 & 16th for our spring musical!

Best wishes and much love to our seniors  
Kevin McConnell, Andrew Gunthner  
Rachel Carpenter, Ann Glackin, Carolanne Buoniello  
Nancy Fallon, Melissa Ingle and Justin Waite  
on their last drama production.

The Drama Club Parents’ Association
Who’s Who in the Cast

AMARA AYLER (Sultan’s First Wife) is in her third production at Huntington High School. She is always very grateful and excited to be in this year’s drama, Don’t Drink the Water. Drama Club is her favorite activity and she loves the cast and wants to thank all who have gotten her this far. She hopes everyone enjoys the show!

JORDAN BIENER (Chef) is in her second year in the drama club at Huntington High School, but this is her first year performing in the production. Last year she was a student director for both The Babbling Brooks and Beauty and the Beast. She is so excited to be in the production of Don’t Drink the Water as the chef. She wants to wish the rest of the cast the best of luck. She hopes everyone enjoys the show.

CAROLANNE BUONIELLO (Susan Hollander) is elated to be performing in Don’t Drink the Water! This is her sixth show at Huntington High School. Some of her previous roles include Chip in Beauty and the Beast Jr., Lady Larken in Once Upon a Mattress, a narrator in Aladdin, Linus in You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown, Marta in The Sound of Music, Josie Pye in Anne of Green Gables, Sleeping Beauty in Into the Woods, Kay in The Babbling Brooks and Chip in Beauty and the Beast. Carolanne feels honored to have been able to work with such an amazing cast and would like to thank everyone in Drama Club for always being there for her and making rehearsal such a happy place. She would also like to thank Ms. Freed for making us look as amazing as always. Lastly, she would like to thank Schwend for bringing this show together and for never failing to create the funniest jokes out there.

ISABELLA CAHILL (Countess Bardoni) is in her first year as a part of the Huntington High School Drama Club, and this is definitely not her last. She has been in a few other school productions such as Willy Wonka Jr., as Willy Wonka, in fifth grade and You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown in eighth grade as Lucy. Isabella loves to sing and act and is so grateful to be a part of this wonderful cast and crew. She wishes good luck to all of the other cast members and encourages anyone who loves to act, to be a part of the Drama Club. Also, Isabella sends a thank you to all of her amazing friends and family for supporting her throughout her freshman year. She can’t wait to continue to be a part of the Drama Club in her next three years of high school. Enjoy the show!

RACHEL CARPENTER (Kilroy) is very excited to see her last drama at Huntington High School go off with a bang! During her four years here she has taken part in Lady Windermere’s Fan, The Sound of Music, Anne of Green Gables, Into the Woods, The Babbling Brooks, and Beauty and the Beast. Everyday rehearsal has been a haven for her, to spend time with the best and most talented students and faculty. She wishes all of her cast mates the best of luck, and she hopes that the audience is prepared to laugh and enjoys the show as much as the cast does.

PETER CICCONÉ (Burns) is excited to be in this year’s production of Don’t Drink the Water. This is his third show at Huntington High School. He was also in The Babbling Brooks and Beauty and the Beast. Other past productions include The Music Man Jr., Aladdin Jr., Cinderella Jr., and The Audition. He is an Eagle Scout and plays clarinet in the Huntington Blue Devil Marching Band.

NANCY FALLON (Marion Hollander), a 12th grader, is currently appearing in her seventh performance at Huntington High School. Regionally, Nancy has performed at the John W. Engeman Theater in Oliver! (Orphan, Fagin’s Gang, Schoolgirl) and Miracle on 34th Street (Brigitte/Dutch Girl). Other shows at Huntington High School include Lady Windermere’s Fan (Ensemble), The Sound of Music (Brigitte Von Trapp), Anne of Green Gables (Miss Minnie), Into the Woods (Little Red Ridinghood), The Babbling Brooks (Norma Brooks), and most recently, Disney’s Beauty and the Beast (Belle). She has also played Sarah Brown in Guys and Dolls and Queen Aggravain in Once Upon A Mattress, both at Finley Middle School. Other credits include You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown (Violet), 13 (Molly), and Alice in Wonderland (Small Alice). She would like to thank Mr. Schwende-mann, Ms. Freed, and Mr. Helmke, as well as the amazing cast and crew for supporting her and making this show incredible!

WILLIAM FALLON (Father Drobney) is a sophomore in his third production at Huntington High School. He has also been in The Babbling Brooks (Ensemble) and in Beauty and the Beast (Crony) at the high school as well. He is very excited to take to the stage with more tricks than before (Hahaha). So pick a card… Go ahead… Pick a card.

BILLY GARFINKEL (Student Director) is enthused to make his debut in the drama club, and as a student director no less. Despite his novelty, he is no stranger
to the scene (pun-intended). Billy has had his share of experiences with shows in the high school, having played both violin and viola in Beauty and the Beast and Into the Woods, as a devout member of the pit. And now, finally, he has made his way to the big league, and has enjoyed every moment of being part of such a vibrant and interesting show, and by that same token, cast. He wishes his best to all members of the cast and crew and would like to congratulate them on their commendable work and cohesive effort, throughout the process of making the show the best it can be. Billy hopes you’ll enjoy the great work and time put forth, and likewise encourages you to spot him in the pit orchestra in the spring musical!

ANN GLACKIN
(Kasnar) is so excited to perform in her third show with Huntington High School’s Drama Club. She absolutely loves this show and can’t wait for everyone to see it. The cast couldn’t be any more wonderful if they tried. Ann wants to thank her parents for being willing to drive to every rehearsal and for being at every opening night. Finally, she would like to thank the entire cast of Don’t Drink the Water (Schwen, Freed, stage crew, and student directors included) for such an amazing, fun experience and congratulate them on what is sure to be an amazing show. To the cast: Break a leg! (but don’t break two because then you can’t walk). She insists that this joke will never get old.

ANDREW GUNTHNER
(Walter Hollander) is a senior and is elated to be part of this year’s performance of Don’t Drink the Water. Andrew has been in multiple shows at Huntington High School, including The Sound of Music (Kurt), Anne of Green Gables (Moody), Into the Woods (Steward), The Babbling Brooks (Homer), and Beauty and the Beast (Maurice). Drama Club has been a very important part of his high school experience and he would like to share with the cast how much they mean to him. He would like to thank Mr. Schwendemann for putting up with him whenever Andrew forgot a line, as well as Mrs. Freed for helping put all the props together. Break a leg, cast!

MELISSA INGLE
(Student Director) is involved with her final drama with the Huntington High School Drama Club. She had recently directed an edited version of 15 Reasons NOT to be in a Play. Other credits include Disney’s Beauty and the Beast (Student Director/Ensemble), The Babbling Brooks (Student Director/Ensemble), The Tourist (Directed), and Painting. She would like to wish everyone in the cast good luck, as well as send a shout out to her loving family, and her sister Kathryn. Viva La Vie Boheme!

LJ KINDALL
(Novotny) Sorry if I mess up my lines (p.s. can you make sure my name is Lj and not Lola on the program)

KEVIN McCONNELL
(Axel Magee) is super excited to be in his last drama with all of his amazing friends. The cast and advisors of Drama Club have helped to make Kevin’s experience at Huntington High School incredible. Kevin wants to thank Michael Schwendemann for never failing to put a smile on his face and the whole cast for always being there for him. Enjoy the show!

AMELIA REILLY
(Sultan’s Second Wife) is delighted to be performing in her second show with the Huntington High School Drama Club. She is proud to be performing with such a talented group of people. She hopes you all enjoy the show!

LOGAN RICE
(Krojack) is extremely excited to once again put on an awesome show with Drama Club (and as Krojack, the borderline psychotic head of the communist police, no less)! Some intense bonding with the members of the club took place in Beauty and the Beast last year, in which Logan was elated to portray the Beast himself. It’s a delight for him to continuously be a part of the club not only because he loves acting and gaining experience, but because he loves his fellow cast members, and he feels that together, they could make any show a joy to watch and to perform!

MADDIE SHEA
(Ambassador Magee) is ecstatic to be performing in her fifth Huntington High School Drama Club production and would like to thank the lovely cast, crew, and staff for making this year’s fall drama a unique and fun experience. Favorite credits include: Parade in Concert at Lincoln Center with Jason Robert Brown (Broadway Festival Chorus, Music Supervisor: Tom Murray); Mary Flynn in Merrily We Roll Along (Long Island Musical Theatre Festival); Gertrude McFuzz in Seussical: the musical (John W. Engeman Theater).

JUSTIN WAITE
(Sultan of Bashir) is in 12th grade and is jubilant to perform in his final drama production at Huntington High School. Over the years he has student-directed The Babbling Brooks and has also acted in Disney’s Beauty and the Beast (Monsier Bauer), The Sound of Music (Ensemble), Into the Woods (Cinderella’s Father), and The Music Man (Ensemble). He has had a wonderful time in the club and is grateful to be a part of this experience. He is also interested in pursuing theater in college. He would like to wish best of luck to the cast and crew!
To the one and only:
Tommy Djilas, Dauntless, Macbeth, Hamlet, ‘Stache, Beast, Ironworker,
COMMISSAR KROJACK

Remember to have fun and always follow your dreams.
We are so proud of who you are!
Love,
Mom, Dad & Mighty
Congratulations to Andrew and the Cast & Crew of DON’T DRINK THE WATER

We are so proud of ALL of you!

The Gunthners

To our favorite chef...

THESE pretzels are making me thirsty.
These PRETZELS are making me thirsty.
These pretzels ARE MAKING ME thirsty.
These pretzels are making me THIRSTY.

No matter how you say it, we love you!

Mom and Dad and Willa
BREAK A LEG

MADDIE

AND BEST OF LUCK TO
THE ENTIRE CAST AND CREW

Love
Mom, Dad, Allie, Steph
And
Buddy

NANCY AND WILLIAM FALLON

To our Crazy DRAMA kids…

We are so proud of you! Break a Leg as Jewish Mom Marion and Father Drobney!

Can’t wait to see you on stage together.

Love Mom and Dad.

Wishing Logan and the entire cast and crew a very bright future

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We are so proud of you! Break a Leg as Jewish Mom Marion and Father Drobney!

Can’t wait to see you on stage together.

Love Mom and Dad.

Ann – we are so proud of you! Way to Go – reach for the stars! – Love Uncle Danny & Aunt Kim & your cousins

Best wishes to our newest drama club members! So excited to welcome Isabella and Billy to all the craziness! – Ann.

Congrats to my fellow seniors in the cast (Melissa, Carolanne, Nancy, Justin, Rachel, Andrew, and Kevin) on their final drama with HHSDC! I know you’ll be amazing! – Ann.

Ann – Dare to Dream! We are so proud of you and all of your cast mates.

Break a leg! – Love, Mom, Dad, Ed Jude, Eamon, & Joan

Thank you to Mr. Schwendemann and all the members of HHSDC for creating such a wonderful home away from home for our daughter, Ann. I know she will miss you all next year! – The Glackin Family

To Logan, always a star on our horizon! – Love, Auntie Ann and Papa Tore

Logan, we are so proud of you! We are amazed by your talent. We look forward to seeing all your performances. – Love Aunt Pat and Uncle Pete

Logan, we are so proud of you in every way! You are such a good person and so talented. Keep up the good work! – Love Grandma and Grandpa

To the entire cast, crew and fearless leader Schwen – you are all awesome!

A very special thank you to all the parents who pitched in and helped. Whether you sent in a treat, put together our great lobby display case, ran around for props or for water, gave your time helping out at dinners and concession or doing make-up……we could not have done it without you!