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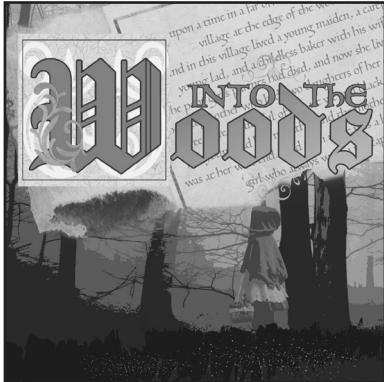
Parents Empowered is a statewide media and community education campaign with the goal to have every Utah child reach the age of 21 alcohol-free so they can enjoy the benefits of a healthy brain. Because parents play a fundamental role in protecting kids' healthy brains, the campaign is directed to parents, who are the number one reason kids don't drink. Research also shows kids are less likely to drink when parents are actively involved in their lives and communicate their strong disapproval of drinking before the age of 21. Funded by the Utah Legislature, the community-based initiative provides parents and caregivers with information about the harmful effects of alcohol on the developing adolescent brain, along with research-based parenting skills to help prevent underage drinking.

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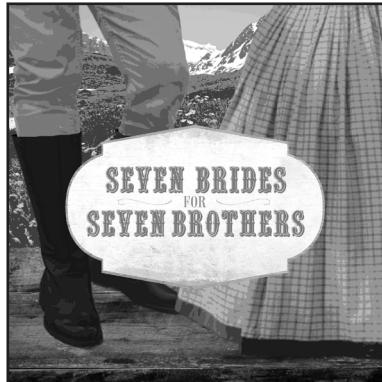
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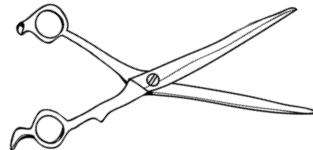
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CAST LIST

TRUVY Holly Allred
ANNELLE Elizabeth Hirst
SHELBY Izzy Fenn
M'LYNN Kristin Meanea
OUISER Rachel Benjamin
CLAIREE Ashley Slaugh



SETTING

Place: Chinquapin, Louisiana

ACT ONE

Scene 1 - April

Scene 2 - December

INTERMISSION

ACT TWO

Scene 1 - June, eighteen months later

Scene 2 - November

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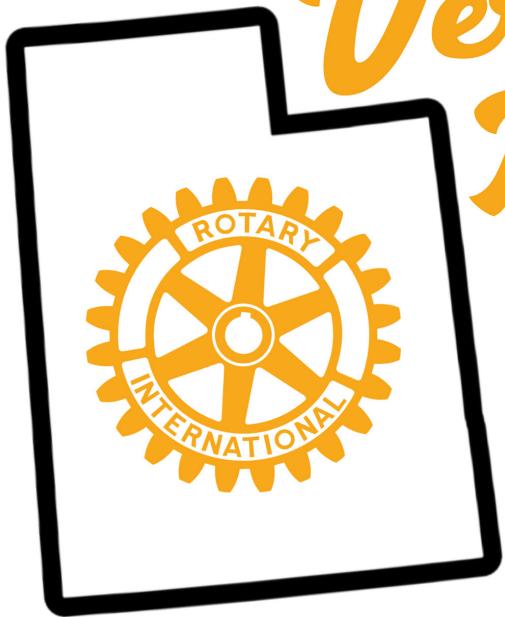
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Aggie Watch Party

January 31st • 11am
USU Uintah Basin Roosevelt
987 East Lagoon St. | Roosevelt

Join us at the USU Uintah Basin Roosevelt campus for a watch party of the USU vs San Diego State basketball game. This is a FREE family event for students and the community! Attendees can also enjoy games, prizes, Aggie swag, and Aggie ice cream.

Scholarship Night

February 4th • 3-5pm
USU Uintah Basin Roosevelt
987 East Lagoon St. | Roosevelt

Get personalized help completing the 2026-2027 scholarship application while enjoying free Aggie Ice Cream.

February 5th • 3-5pm
USU Uintah Basin Vernal
320 N Aggie Blvd. | Vernal

Speaker Series: Mental Health & Basin Resources

In partnership with Ashley Regional Medical Center

February 10th • 7:00pm
USU Uintah Basin Vernal Campus, Room B101
320 N Aggie Blvd. | Vernal

Your Career Starts Here

February 18th • 5-7pm
Uintah Basin Conference Center
313 E 200 S | Vernal

Join us for our Campus & Community Career Night. Explore careers, meet experts, and make connections. Come visit with USU and community reps in areas such as: Healthcare, Mental Health, Business & Entrepreneurship, Science & Wildlife, and Education.



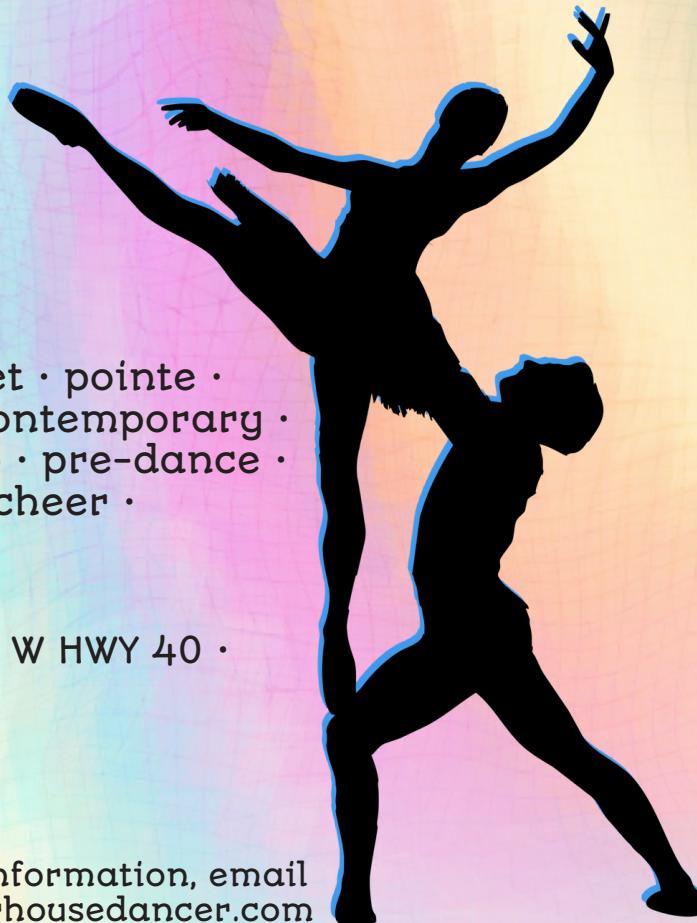
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PRODUCTION TEAM

Director Rachel Fuchs
Assistant Director TC George
Stage Manager Heather Bascom
Assistant Stage Manager Megan Hirschi
Costumes Rebecca Fuchs
Props Isaac Merrick
Wigs & Hair Consultant Talia Wilhelm
Sound Technician Jodi Kelsey
Light Technician Brycelynn Hunting
Set Construction Rachel Fuchs, Rebecca Fuchs,
TC George, Daniel Jackson
Set Painting Megan Hirschi, Rachel Fuchs,
Rebecca Fuchs, Nashelle Jackson
Headshots Joie Madison
Poster Design Amber Young
Playbill Layout Andrea Wardle



DIRECTOR'S NOTE

"Steel Magnolias" is a beautiful story about human connection and friendship, but not just any kind of friendship, a sisterhood - showing the strength and love that blossoms through the highs and lows that life throws at us. As this story unfolds, we hope you can laugh and cry with us and see the beauty that is "Steel Magnolias". These are real characters, a story that was written by Robert Harling about his sister and the people in her life at the time. Each character is very meaningful, and I love each woman that portrays them here on stage!

I love how this cast brings this story to life! Seeing their onstage and offstage chemistry, how they love and support each other, their hard work and dedication has been so inspiring to me! I have always loved this story and it was the first play I saw at Vernal Theatre: LIVE in Season 2. It now holds a deeper, more meaningful place in my heart as I've had the honor of being a part of it this second time around in Season 10.

Thank you for being here with us, thank you to my production team and family! We can't do it alone, which is my favorite message from this story. We need each other and we need to love and cherish our time together. We hope you feel that tonight and that you enjoy the show!

Rachel Fuchs

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CAST BIOS



ASHLEY SLAUGH *Clairee*

Ashley is so excited to be a part of this production. "I've loved this show since I was a tiny girl and I'm so excited to bring 'Clairee' to life. Thanks for coming. Enjoy the show!!!"

CAST BIOS



IZZY FENN *Shelby*

"Hey! I'm Izzy and I have been doing theater since I was five. I love to perform and be on stage and am SO excited to share this story with you. My favorite part I've played was a "Narrator" in *Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. I love singing and love interpreting stories into singing. This is my first straight play and I am super excited! Enjoy the show!"



ELIZABETH HIRST *Annelle*

Elizabeth loves acting because it gives her a strong sense of purpose and has helped her through so much in her life. This is her first show at Vernal Theatre: LIVE, and being on stage surrounded by creativity and community truly feels like home to her. She is incredibly grateful for the opportunity to perform and be part of such a supportive cast and experience, especially in a show that reflects the importance of support, connection, and being there for one another.



KRISTIN MEANEA *M'Lynn*

Kristin is excited to be back on stage at Vernal Theatre: LIVE. This is an amazing show and she hopes you enjoy it as much as she has. She would like to thank her family for their love and support. "Hope you brought your tissues!"



HOLLY ALLRED *Truvy*

This is Holly's third straight play at Vernal Theatre: LIVE. There's something so magical about a small cast. She has loved getting to tell "Truvy's" story. Holly enjoys spending time outside in her garden and spending time doing anything with her family. "Thanks to my love for all the support so I could do this. Love you and the kiddos."



RACHEL BENJAMIN *Ouiser*

This is Rachel's first show—unless you count the ones she put on in her backyard with her neighborhood friends when she was eleven, but don't do that. For now, she's just grateful to get to yell onstage. That's a dream come true.

