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Taking Their Show on the Road

Words can only begin to describe Children's Theater at MLC. Hundreds of grade-schoolers come to enjoy the crazy pre-show entertainment, awesome performance, and fantastic dance finale. The performances at MLC aren't until May 1-3, but on Wednesday, the cast packed up their costumes and props and put on their first performances of *Rumpelstiltskin* in Lake City, Minnesota, a Children's Theater tradition. "Everything about our trip to Lake City was great!" says **Joy Reeder**. "We had great hosts, and everyone was so excited. All the children and even the adults really got into the show, which got us even more into it, making it more fun for everyone!" Encouraged by that audience response, the cast now continues to perfect their acting for the rest of their performances. Director **Megan Wohlrabe** (*Peyton HS, CO*) and producers **Katrina Buchholz** (*ALA*), **Evodia Cassius** (*Castries, St. Lucia*), and **Brandon Gierach** (*WLA*) do all the hard work behind the scenes, while this ridiculously funny cast brings the fairytale to life onstage:

Rumpelstiltskin—**Dan Roemhildt** (*Immanuel LHS-MN*)

Missy—**Maddy McMullen** (*Roland-Story HS, IA*)

Sissy—**Joy Reeder** (*LPS*)

Captain—**Jacob Limpert** (*St. Croix*)

Guard—**Carl Boeder** (*MVL*)

Mother—**Emilee Plocher** (*MVL*)

Father—**Tyler Swiderski** (*St. Croix*)

Servant—**Peter Plagenz** (*WLA*)

King—**Garrett Buch** (*Manitowoc LHS*)

Townspople

Christi Hussman (*FVL*)

Kim Schmill (*Manitowoc LHS*)

Hope Werre (*Lakeside*)

Brittney Gossen (*Manitowoc LHS*)

Josh Mose (*WLA*)

Alec Bergmann (*KML*)

Martin Loescher (*KML*)

Noah Willitz (*MLS*)



Peter Plagenz does the Tooty Ta with kids before the show.



Dan Roemhildt shows off his best dance move.

Meet James Hemmelman

James Hemmelman (*Luther*) never thought much about becoming a pastor or teacher while in high school, but he didn't rule it out. "I didn't know what I wanted to do, but a few of my best friends were coming up to MLC, so I decided to come and give it a try," he says. James started his first year studying to be a teacher but switched to pastoral training at semester. "I've realized that being a pastor is what I want to do, and I've really enjoyed my time and studies at MLC." Now in his second year at MLC, James is the starting shortstop for the baseball team and enjoyed the team's spring training in Florida. He also helped his intramural basketball team win a championship in the rec league this year. "I would encourage anybody to give MLC a try. The classes, professors, friends, and daily chapel services here are all great and help you to grow in your faith and knowledge. You don't have to be sure you want to be a pastor or teacher to come here, but you'll never know unless you try!"

