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MLC Forum Presents: *Annie Get Your Gun*



Gunslingers, tycoons, and damsels toted their guns and flaunted their charms in the limelight last weekend, as the Forum production of *Annie Get Your Gun* immersed the audience in the Wild West. If you were there, you were perking your ears from start to finish. Each catchy tune burrowed its way into your memory, and you were humming them the whole way home.

For many in the cast, this was their stage debut, but for others, it wasn't their first rodeo. **Colin Krueger**, the male lead, has had many roles at MLC, but this one was special. "Working so closely with the staff to develop the character of Frank Butler was my favorite part and a super challenging and rewarding process. The entire cast of students in this show were all amazingly supportive and caring, which made for a wonderful environment. Forum is filled with some of the most amazing and talented people I'll ever meet, and I'm blessed to have spent my days with them."

Josiah Cloute, who played Charlie Davenport, agrees. "The theater experience, especially at MLC, is so fascinating, because as you grow closer to the fictional cowboys and businessmen on stage, you also grow closer to the wonderful people who are standing in their boots. It's like watching two relationships unfold at the same time."

But it wasn't just the actors who made the show. Those working behind the scenes made sure the cast was wearing their "best bib and tucker." **Maddy Plitzuweit**, the female lead, was grateful for everyone involved. "I feel so privileged to have played Annie Oakley! I gained a tremendous appreciation for the work everyone puts into the show, and I feel so honored to have performed with them!"

Participation in Forum is sure to benefit the students' ministries too. Standing in front of a crowd is commonplace for called workers, except that a minister of the gospel gets the added bonus of sharing the truth of Scripture. In theater, the lights shine on them, but in ministry, they let their light shine.

CAST

Frank Butler: **Colin Krueger** (FVL / Riverview-Appleton WI)
Buffalo Bill Cody: **Josiah Winkel** (LPS / Redemption-Milwaukee)
Dolly Tate: **Abigail Schmitz** (Winnebago LA / Redeemer-Fond du Lac WI)
Tommy Keeler: **Noah Uhlenbrauck** (FVL / St. Peter-Appleton WI)
Winnie Tate: **Isabel Monday** (LPS / St. Peter-Appleton WI)
Charlie Davenport: **Josiah Cloute** (LPS / St. Luke-Watertown WI)
Chief Sitting Bull: **Joseph Schultz** (LPS / Zion-Rhineland WI)
Annie Oakley: **Madelyn Plitzuweit** (Lakeside LHS / St. Matthew-Oconomowoc WI)
Jessie: **Alexandra Schroeder** (MLS / Good Shepherd-Burton MI)
Nellie: **Amelia Hermanson** (grade school student)
Little Jake: **Levi Martens** (grade school student)

Director: **Erin Laabs**

Assistant Director: **Jacob Schwark** (LPS / First-Elkhorn WI)