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**ANIMAL
FARM**

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LASSITER HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE TROUPE
PRESENTS

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George Orwell's satire on the perils of Stalinism has proved magnificently long-lived as a parable about totalitarianism anywhere and has given the world at least one immortal phrase: "Some are more equal than others." The animals on a farm drive out their master and take over and run the farm for themselves. The experiment is successful, except that someone has to take the deposed farmer's place. Leadership devolves upon the pigs, which are cleverer than the rest of the animals. Unfortunately, their character is not equal to their intelligence. This dramatization remains faithful to the book's plot and intent and retains both its affection for the animals and the incisiveness of its message.

Hope you enjoy the play and thank you for supporting us!



CHARACTERS.....Main Actor/Understudy

Storyteller.....Tulasi DaCosta
Mr. Jones.....Charlie Bragg
Major.....Parker Saturday
Moses.....Natalie Marlow
Squealer..... Sam Yunus
Napoleon.....Eitan Ventura, Brody Brooks
Snowball.....David Challenger, Emily Kay
Mollie.....Abby Apple, Loreli Olien
Boxer.....Nate Bavely
Clover.....Julia Walsh, Lily Herman
Minimus.....Isabella Perdomo
Benjamin.....Jude Hilton, Charlie Bragg
Pilkington.....Brody Brooks
Pigs.....Madeline Ginsberg, Emily Kay, Loreli Olien,
Matthew Wertz
Geese.....Gauri Gupta, Lily Herman, Sarah John
Sheep.....Rachel Mende, Taylor Sword
Hen.....Bailey McBride
Young Animal.....Hadley Quigg
Ensemble.....Ella Barrows, Hannah Daskal, Ava
French, Sarah John, Taylor Sword, Jack Peterson,
Max Schmiedeknecht

PRODUCTION/CREATIVE/TECH

Production Director.....Dani Dickinson
Assistant Director.....Samuel Ginn
Program Director.....Sharlet Keilman
Photographer.....Abby Apple, Chip Riggs
Stage Manager.....Luci Wilgus
Asst. Stage Manager.....Avey Iaizzi
Cue Caller.....Katarina Walsh
Costumes..... Abby Apple, Gwendolyn Clark
House Claire Brownyard, Kristen Cathy,
...Grace Holmes, Annabel Hurtault, Addy Yannuzzi
Makeup.....Abby Apple, Madeline Ginsberg
Backstage..... Kay Cornish, Kayla Rodriguez,
.....Luci Wilgus
Marketing..... Nate McCracken, Garrett Hill,
.....Kayla Rodriquez, Oleander Smith
Sound.....Oleander Smith
Lights.....Aeden Ralston, Nate McCracken,
.....Allison Oglesby
Props.....Claire Brownyard, Grace Holmes,
.....Katarina Walsh

WHO'S WHO



Benjamin, Jude Hilton

This is Jude's sixth show with Lassiter and he couldn't be prouder of all the work everyone has put into this show! He'd like to thank his father, for always being supportive, and his director, Dani Dickinson for making this show possible!



Boxer, Nate Bavelly

Nate Bavelly is an actor that has been in Lassiter drama since the middle of his freshmen year. Ever since then he's been improving his work. He was featured in multiple plays, musicals, and has a wide array of acting roles from Zeke in High School Musical to Audrey 2 in Little Shop of Horrors.



Clover, Julia Walsh

Julia Walsh is a returning thespian and is excited to be here! This is her fifth show at Lassiter. Currently, she is involved in orchestra and newspaper. She hopes everyone enjoys the show and congratulates tech on their hard work!



Major, Parker Saturday

This is my first performance at Lassiter and I'm excited to be in this play. I'd like to thank my family for pushing me into doing drama.

WHO'S WHO



Mr. Jones/Understudy Benjamin, Charlie Bragg

Charlie is a freshman in the stem biomedical track. He has been in three drama productions at Mabry Middle School, and had a lead role in one. This will be his 4th year in drama.



Moses, Natalie Marlow

This is Natalie's third year in drama club. She is thankful for the opportunity she's been given. She is also incredibly tired and has a severe case of senioritis.



Minimus, Isabella Perdomo

Isabella is a young artist, writer, and actress who is playing the role of Minimus, the poet. Words cannot express her gratitude towards Dani Dickinson, Mrs. Keilman, and everyone involved for letting her play this part.



Mollie/Costume/Makeup, Abby Apple

Abby is a junior at Lassiter High School. This is Abby's sixth show with Lassiter and she hopes to do many more. Abby likes science, her dogs, and her cat Baby Short!



Napoleon, Eitan Ventura

Eitan Ventura is a senior at Lassiter High School and Thespian. This is his second show at Lassiter and his hair is still large. He would like to thank his parents.

WHO'S WHO



Snowball, David Challenger

David Challenger is someone who loves to perform and entertain. He also really stinks at writing bios, but that's beside the point. I hope you have a great bundle of fun watching the show, comrade.



Storyteller, Tulasi DaCosta

Hey there, I'm Tulasi! I'm deaf and I have no experience with theatre whatsoever, but I hope to enjoy my experience and help whenever and however I can!



Squealer, Sam Yunus

This is Sam's third show with Lassiter and first time as a lead. Yay.



Pilkington/Understudy Napoleon, Brody Brooks

Brody has had lead acting parts at Mabry Middle School. He has done lights at Lassiter, as well as several movie and television shows.



P]gs

Madeline Ginsberg

This is Madeline's sixth show at Lassiter. She would like to thank her teacher sponsor and director for all of their hard work

Emily Kay, Understudy Snowball

Emily is so excited to be a part of her 3rd show here at Lassiter! She hopes you enjoy the show! Shout out to Mama Kay!

Loreli Olien, Understudy Mollie

Loreli is a junior and a new student at Lassiter. This is her first show at Lassiter and she is very excited to be a part of it. This will be Loreli's third year acting. She is excited to continue her acting in Lassiter Drama. Loreli loves mac and cheese, and she hopes you enjoy the show as much as she enjoys mac and cheese.

Matthew Wertz

This is Matthew's third show at Lassiter. He has been in two productions, Almost Maine and Little Shop of Horrors. He is super excited for this year!

WHO'S WHO



Geese/Sheep/Hen/Young Animal

Goose, Gauri Gupta

Guari is a freshman and loves drama. She did many productions at Simpson Middle School and is happy to be a part of Lassiter Drama.

Goose/Understudy Clover, Lily Herman

Lily, a junior, through drama, has gained many dramatic skills and fantastic friendships. Lily was Alma in *Murder Actually*, a thespian in *High School Musical*, tech in *Almost Maine*, and in the ensemble in *Little Shop of Horrors*. Lily is also on the Thespian Board in the position of Parliamentarian. She is thrilled to be in *Animal Farm* and would like to thank her family, friends, teachers, director, stage manager, and assistant stage manager.

Goose, Sarah John

Sarah has been involved in her school's plays since 6th grade. She hopes you enjoy the show.

Sheep, Rachel Mende

Rachel Mende is a junior at Lassiter. She has been in theatre her whole time at Lassiter and hopes you enjoy the show! "Four legs good, two legs bad!!!"

Sheep, Taylor Sword

I am excited to be in this play. I am animal 2 and this is my first high school play.

Hen, Bailey McBride

I am a freshman and this will be my 5th school play. I grew up acting and have attended acting camp for 4 years.

Young Animal, Hadley Quigg

Hadley is a junior who loves theatre. She took part in several previous Lassiter shows as cast and crew.

WHO'S WHO



Ensemble

Ella Barrows

I have been acting for 7 years. My acting experience includes Babette in *Beauty and the Beast*, Grace in *Annie*, a Lost Boy in *Peter Pan*, an Orphan in *Annie*, to name a few. I am so thankful for the directors, cast members, and everyone who helped make the show a success. I hope you enjoy the show!

Hannah Daskal

Hannah was the narrator in "What's Your Story?" (self-made play), *Beauty and the Beast Jr.*, *Once On This Island Jr.*, and *Mulan Jr.* A "Who" in *Seussical Jr.*

Ava French

Ava is a freshman at Lassiter this year. She is thrilled to be a part of this show and would like to thank her teacher and director for this opportunity.

Sarah John

Sarah has been involved in her school's plays since 6th grade. She hopes you enjoy the show.

Max Schmiedeknecht

In 4th grade I played the crocodile in *Peter Pan*. In 5th grade I was raised up on a wire and played Uncle Albert in *Mary Poppins*. I did News Crew and was an anchor in 7th and 8th grade. I also play bass guitar in a band.

Jack Peterson

This is Jack's first show with Lassiter. He would like to thank his director and teacher for the opportunity to be in this production.

TECH CREW



Stage Manager, Luci Wilgus

Luci is a junior at Lassiter High School. This is her 7th show with Lassiter Drama and the first full length show she has stage managed. She would like to thank the British people for allowing us to appropriate their culture.



Asst. Stage Manager, Avery Iaizzi

Avery is a junior who is in her fourth year in drama. She succeeds and enjoys in drama because she thrives in miscommunication and chaos.

TECH CREW



Cue Caller, Katarina Walsh

I'm really excited to be in my first high school play and I thank all the people who are coming to see it.

Costuming, Makeup, Abby Apple

Abby does a great job doing tech, acting, and being a Thespian Officer!

Costuming Assistant, Gwendolyn Clark

This is Gwendolyn's first year at Lassiter and takes part in the Theatre Tech course and has been involved in the costume and prop design.

TECH CREW

Costumes, Makeup/Madeline Ginsberg

Madeline has worked hard at Lassiter to keep the theatre space organized. Madeline organizes costumes, props, and the dressing rooms. She is also over stage makeup for the show.

Head of House, Props/Claire Brownyard

My name is Claire Brownyard. I am a freshman. This is my first-time doing tech. I have been acting for 8 years.

House, Kristen Cathy

Kristen is a junior at whose first production was as tech in Little Shop of Horrors. She was responsible for spotlights and her work also included learning the fundamentals of set design and lighting. She loves being a part of drama and hopes you enjoy the show!

TECH CREW

House, Props, Grace Holmes

This is Grace's first time in tech and has done school drama for five years. That's about it.

House, Annabel Hurtault

This is Annabel's first year doing tech at Lassiter. She is excited to join the Lassiter Drama Family!

House, Addy Yannuzzi

My name is Addy Yannuzzi and I am in 10th grade. I have been in a few plays and last year was my first Lassiter production. I am excited for all of the opportunities this year and happy to be part of the amazing Lassiter Theater group. This year is going to be my first year as a member of the tech crew and I look forward to learning more. Hope you enjoy the play and thank you for supporting us!

Backstage, Kay Cornish

One of my favorite things is being part of shows. I always have so much fun and get close with my fellow crew and cast.

TECH CREW

Backstage, Kayla Rodriguez

I love this show, says Kayla who has teched for Animal Farm.

Marketing, Nathan McCracken

Nathan is a diligent worker in all that he does He has enjoyed doing tech work and acting for two musicals and one play.

Marketing, Garret Hill

Garrett has participated in six plays previous to this one. He is excited to a be a part of drama. He looks forward to having many fun roles in drama in the future. He prefers musicals, comedies, and singing solos. He also participates in fencing and takes improv classes. Garret gives a special thanks to Mrs. Marcio and Mrs. Opie for getting him interesting in acting in the first place!

TECH CREW

Marketing, Kayla Rodriguez

Kayla has been all around helpful with this production including painting the stage and contributing to the production of this Playbill!

Sound, Lights, Marketing/Oleander Smith

Oleander Smith is a dedicated member and does his job fine. He is also single if any of you ladies are available.

Spotlights, Marketing/Nathan McCracken

Nathan is a diligent worker in all that he does He has enjoyed doing tech work and acting for two musicals and one play.

Backstage Lights, Allison Oglesby

My name is Allison. This is my first year in drama club. I'm from Tampa, Florida and I have lived up here for a year. I am a Junior in high school and I hope to be a pediatrician when I grow up.

TECH CREW

Stage Lights, Aeden Ralston

Aeden Ralston is a freshman, who in his last year of middle school did the lighting for *Beauty and The Beast*, Aeden is thrilled to be back at the lighting board again

Additional Tech Support

7th Period Theatre Students- Kate Burke, Amanda Gutierrez, Hailey Bensen, Catherine Clabuaugh, Jalen Furgeson, Ashley Rismondo, Gracie Street, Morgan Smith, Avianna Freeman, and Lamaiua Perry.

Who's Who – Directors

Show DirectorDani Dickinson
This is Dani Dickinson's second show with the Lassiter Theatre Troupe. She is the founder, producer, and director of Lolek's Storytellers, a theater group. Dani founded Lolek's Storytellers in 2010 and has since directed many musicals and events with them. She attended film school for a year in California before returning to Atlanta to pursue professional film and theatre locally. Dani is a cardholder with the Local IATSE 927 and works as a professional stagehand on local and touring shows around Atlanta.

Program Director..... **Sharlet Keilman**
The Lassiter Theatre Troupe Advisor and Program Director, Sharlet Keilman, works together with the school, the students, the Thespians, drama students, student Thespian Board, the Booster Club, and the directors in the production of Lassiter's plays and musicals. This is her second year as the sponsor and has assisted in the production, organization, scheduling, and marketing of *Almost, Maine* and *Little Shop of Horrors*. She also teaches the theatre courses at Lassiter and her students assist in the tech work for the show. Ms Keilman has worked at Lassiter High School for 10 years, teaches Economics, Personal Finance, and Theatre, and is the Career Tech Department Chair. She also co-sponsors Prom and the LHS Dance Team. Ms. Keilman's degrees include a B.A. Political Science and International Studies, a M.S. In Secondary Education with a concentration in Social Science, and an Ed.S. in Technology in Education. She has taught Geography, Humanities, World History, and Government. She enjoys the learning experience of being so involved in theatre.

Lassiter High School Theatre Troupe would like to say Thank You to....

- Dr. Richie & Lassiter Administration for supporting the theatre club and pursuit of the arts for Lassiter students.
- Our LHS Theatre Boosters & Parents for your continuous service to our drama family and support: emotional, moral & financial.
- LHS Custodial Staff for locking up after our late rehearsals, helping deal with the large amount of trash that we create, and for keeping our theatre nice and clean.
- Lassiter faculty & staff for supporting our actors and crew as they learn to balance theatre and academics.
- The parents, friends and community who donated / loaned props, made meals, and helped with set builds.
- Dani Dickinson who has continued to work with the Lassiter Theatre program
- Rick Harper for offering Tech workshops for our program.
- Michael Bavely for your tremendous fundraising efforts that have continued to benefit our program
- Our generous local businesses and sponsors for financially supporting our club with donations, discounts and services.
- Mrs. Keilman's 7th period theatre students who assisted with keeping the theatre clean and with much of the tech work for Animal Farm.

SHOW DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Hello and welcome to Lassiter High School's Fall Play Production of Animal Farm. I am honored and grateful that you've chosen to spend your weekend here with us. This is the second time that I have directed with Lassiter High School and I've loved working with such talented and dedicated students. The cast, crew and other volunteers have put countless hours into this production to make it the show you'll see tonight.

Dani Dickerson

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S NOTE

We are so pleased to be able to present Animal Farm to you and hope you enjoy the show. It has been an incredible experience working with each and every student. The dedication each student has shown over the course of this production is appreciated and is a reflection of the talent at Lassiter. I am grateful to have been given the opportunity to sponsor Lassiter Theatre.

I am very thankful to our Booster Club Board Members; Laura Weltz, Paula Apple, Susan Herman, and Nicole Basille. I cannot give enough credit to the stage manager, Luci Wilgus for her unwavering leadership throughout the production. Our Thespian Board Officers have remained completely dedicated to the mission of producing theatrical shows and have shown me incredible and unwavering support. I cannot thank each of them enough. Thank you, Luci Wilgus, Jude Hilton, Julia Walsh, Madeline Ginsberg, Abby Apple, Rachel Mende, Nate Bavely, and Lily Herman, you're your leadership in our program. I would also like to give a huge shout out to our Crew Members who do the behind the scene work and who we could not put a show together without. They do incredible work and are called on frequently for many different jobs. I would also like to thank the director Dani Dickinson for working so closely with me in this production and being such a great person. We absolutely could not have done it without the actors who continue to always amaze me with their talent. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I always have a lot of fun even when the work is tough and hours are long.

Sharlet Keilman



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Send a note of encouragement for a job well done

This is your chance to let your friend, child, grandchild or student know how much you appreciate their efforts with this production. These young men and women have spent long hours working in the drama department as actors, actresses, “techies” or managers. The experiences help these young people to grow in citizenship, self-esteem and to develop a great work ethic.



**Candy-grams will be delivered back stage
to all performers and crew!**