

**Back to the 50's**  
**Song List**

**Act I**

**Present Day**

Chain Gang

**Classic 50's Medley**

Only You

Diana

Bye-Bye Love

Get a Job/Shi-na-na-na

Rockin' Robin

To Know Him Is To Love Him

16 Candles

Happy Happy Birthday

The Great Pretender

Chantilly Lace

Splish Splash

The Book of Love

Who Put the Bomp

Tutti Frutti

The Twist

I Only Have Eyes For You

## **School**

**Rock Around the Clock**

**School Days**

**The Birds and the Bees**

**Charlie Brown**

**Johnny Angel**

**What a (Wonderful World)**

**End of the World**

**Earth Angel**

**Why Do Fools Fall In Love**

**I Wonder Why**

**School Days (Reprise)**

**Rock Around the Clock (Reprise)**

## **The Drive-In**

**In the Still of the Night**

**Catch A Falling Star**

**Venus**

**Sweet Talking Guy**

**Why Do Fools Fall In Love**

**A Teenager In Love**

**The Wanderer**

**Maybe**

**Then He Kissed Me**

I Only Have Eyes

Everyday

Let the Good Times Roll

**Intermission**

**Act II**

**The Ed Sullivan Show**

Rock Around the Clock (Reprise)

Blueberry Hill

You Send Me

Losing You

Jambalaya

Heartbreak Hotel

Jailhouse Rock

**Prom**

Rock Around the Clock (Reprise)

Come Go With Me

Do You Wanna Dance?

Blue Moon

Blue Velvet

Be My Baby

Sh-Boom/Lollipop

Rock and Roll Music

**Put Your Head On My Shoulder**  
**Do You Love Me?**  
**Going to the Chapel**  
**Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow?**  
**Shout!**  
**Shake, Rattle and Roll**  
**At the Hop/Hand Jive**  
**Rock Around the Clock (Bows)**  
**Goodnight, Sweetheart**



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# MEET THE CAST

**BRIANNA ERB**- Brianna Erb is a 22-year-old singer/actress, born and raised in Palm Springs, CA. She's making her debut on the Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre stage with this production of Back to The 50s! Some of Bri's favorite past roles include Natalie in Next To Normal, Rose in Dogfight, along with some dramatic performances in various short films. She graduated from The American Academy of Dramatic Arts (Los Angeles) in June of 2022 where she studied Acting for Film/Theatre. Bri would like to thank her longtime friend Hunter for welcoming her into the Wohlfahrt Haus family!

**BRIAN FISHER**- Brian Fisher is a recent graduate of Bluefield University and is so excited to be returning for his second production at the Wohlfahrt Haus! Some favorite roles in past productions in college and summer stock include "Adam/Noah" in "Children of Eden", "Shrek" in "Shrek the Musical", "The Baker" in "Into the Woods", and "Johnny" in "American Idiot".

**CASSIDY GIDDENS**- Cassidy is super excited to be making her debut at Wohlfahrt Dinner Theatre! She is a Shreveport, Louisiana native and a proud graduate of Northwestern State University. She has worked in numerous places around the country including Nebraska, Colorado, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Indiana. She is so happy to have a temporary home here in beautiful Wytheville. She would like to thank George for the wonderful opportunity, her best friends Matthew and Love for being her rock, and the amazing cast and crew of this amazing show.

**DILLON GILES**- Dillon Giles is excited to be performing at Wohlfahrt Haus! Dillon is a professional actor based out of Asheville, NC. He has performed throughout the South in many shows. Some of his favorite roles have been Robbie in *The Wedding Singer*, Quasimodo in *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, El Gallo in *The Fantasticks*, Tony in *West Side Story* and many more! You can follow Dillon on Instagram at [dillpicklegiles](#) or find him on Facebook.

**ZHENELLE GILL**- Zhenelle Gill, is a local from Max Meadows, Virginia. She loves nothing more than immersing herself in the world of drama and storytelling. She has been singing, dancing, and acting her way across the stage for as long as she can remember. From musicals to review shows, she's always eager to experience the magic of the stage. She has been in 8 productions with the Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre and is very excited to a part of *Back to the 50's* for the second time!

**CORA HASSBERGER**- Cora Mae Hassberger is a musical theater artist originally from Ann Arbor, Michigan. She earned her Bachelor of Music degree from Belmont University and now calls Nashville home. Some of her favorite credits include *Next to Normal* (Natalie), *Mamma Mia* (Sophie), *Miracle in Bedford Falls* (Mary), *Best Christmas Pageant Ever* (Swing), *Matilda*, *Cinderella*, *Escape to Margaritaville*, and the world premiere of new musical *Johnny and the Devil's Box* (Adelle u/s). She is so excited to be at Wohlfahrt Haus for the first time and to make some theater magic here! Big thank you to Resat and her parents for their endless support and encouragement to go on this new adventure. Enjoy the show!

**JESSE KORTUS**- Hailing from Baton Rouge LA, Jesse holds a theatre degree from Northwestern State University and is exceptionally happy to be a part of this lovely cast. Some of his favorite roles are, Nathan Detroit in *Guys and Dolls*, Igor in *Young Frankenstein*, Peter in *Peter and the Starcatcher*, and Valmont in *Dangerous Liaisons*. Jesse thanks his parents for all they have done over the years, his fantabuloso partner, Rosa for being the actual best, and to anyone who ever had a shred of belief in him. It's the day of the show, y'all!

**HUNTER LASALLE**- Hunter La Salle is a 24 year old actor based in New York City. You might recognize him as Danny Zuko from *The Wohlfahrt Haus* production of *Grease!* His other credits include Eddie Birdlace in *Dogfight*, Rolf Gruber in *Sound of Music*, and most recently as Gregory Gardner in *A Chorus Line*. He would love to thank God for this opportunity because through him, all things are possible.

**KENDALL PAYNE**- Kendall Payne is thrilled to be making art with familiar faces as he returns to the *Wohlfahrt Haus* Dinner Theatre stage. His professional credits include: *Dreamgirls* (C.C. White), *Smokey Joe's Cafe* (Ken), *Chicago* (Billy Flynn), *West Side Story* (Chino). Kendall is a theatre artist from Pulaski, Virginia. He holds a BFA in Music Theatre from Shenandoah Conservatory. He would like to give thanks to God and his family for their support. 1 Corinthians 10:31.

**LAUREN SMITH**- Lauren Alice Smith is so excited to be a part of “Back to the 50s” again after performing in the 2019 Wohlfahrt Haus production. This show has a special place in her heart and was the catalyst for a deep love of 50s music. Last season you saw Lauren as Maria in “The Sound of Music,” Missy in “The Marvelous Wonderettes,” and Marty in “Grease,” among others. Other favorite roles include Janet in “The Rocky Horror Show” and Annelle in “Steel Magnolias.” She is so excited to share this show with you! Thanks, as always, to George and Pat for everything they do. “All my love to my piano man.” [laurenalicesmith.com](http://laurenalicesmith.com) –

## Production Committee

George Bailey

Nicholas Landmesser

Lauren Smith

Eden Speer

Patrick Sutphin

Peggy Sutphin

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The Matterhorn Restaurant & Biergarten is the perfect spot for a family meal, a night out with friends, or a pre-show drink. Boasting a diverse menu, The Matterhorn is the only restaurant in Wytheville where you can order both traditional German dishes and classic American Fare.



## **Director's Notes**

**I don't know if you can remember the first song you ever heard or your first memorable connection with a song. I remember watching my uncle dance to Blue Suede Shoes on the dining room table. I also remember my dad playing Name That Tune with my dad, and his saxophone, with music that is on this set list today. They have since passed but their love for the music of the 50's still lives on, through me, today.**

**Almost 10 years ago Shane Terry, Jessica, Dehart, Matthew Frusher, and I were tasked with putting together a 50's show that would be memorable and touch the hearts of the audience. Back to the 50's is what we came up with. We take you on a trip back to when school was cool, drive-ins were prominent, and when prom-posals didn't exist, you just asked your date to go. Although we have allowed the show to evolve with our talent, it is still true to the soul of the original.**

**I often have said the best time for music was the 70's. The time when music was simple and rang true to the heart was the 50's. It was the foundation of all the music that was to come. Sit back close your eyes and take a trip "Back to the 50's"!**

*George L Bailey*

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# ~Production Staff~

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Director	George Bailey
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Music Director	Karen Melton
Band Director	Nicholas Landmesser
Stage Manager	Brooke Davis
Backstage	Brayden Melton
Costumes	George Bailey
Lighting Design	George Bailey
Light Board Operator	Brooke Davis
Sound Design	Derick Boardwine
Sound Board Operator	Dwayne Reeder
Spots	MK Lucas, Arie Lucas, Fayth Caudill
Set Design	George Bailey
Set Construction	Dwayne Reeder, George Bailey, John Register, Sebastian Lamrouex, Brayden Melton
Producer	Peggy H. Sutphin, Patrick Sutphin

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*Peggy H. Sulphim*