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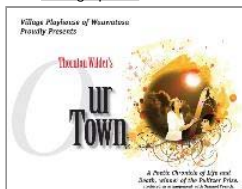
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Wauwatosa Father and Son featured in 'Our Town'

Submitted By Mark Wyss

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"This play is called Our Town. It was written by Thornton Wilder and produced by the Village Playhouse of Wauwatosa. In it you will see Mr. Tom Mullooly, Mr. Rick Anderson, Mr. Sam Mullooly, Miss Antonette Stickl, Miss Deanna Chapman, Miss Rosemary Ricci, and many others too numerous to mention."

So begins the Village Playhouse of Wauwatosa's new production of Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize-winning play "Our Town." You may have noticed that two of the actors mentioned in those opening lines share the same last name.

Tom Mullooly plays Doc Gibbs and Sam Mullooly plays his son George Gibbs. In real life they play father and son as well.

The Mullooly family lives in Wauwatosa and a few years ago returned to the Tosa home where Tom grew up. Back in the neighborhood of his childhood, Tom and the rest of the Mullooly family enjoy life in Wauwaosa and and take advantage of all the opportunities living in Tosa offers. The children attend Wauwatosa Recreation Department Drama Classes; in fact Sam started drama classes when was just 7 yrs old.

While this is father Tom's first production with Village Playhouse, Sam has performed in several plays with VPW, including "Oliver" and "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat." Sam is the oldest of five children, all of which are interested in theater. His sister, Evvie, is in VPW's current children's show, "Mr. Popper's Penguins".

"It's really wonderful to perform together," Tom said. "Sam and I have a lot of shared experience to draw on," in the performance as Grover's Corners famous father-son tandem. "Our Town is about family. That's what makes performing with Sam so special."

"Our Town" will be presented at the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts March 27 and 28, and April 3 and 4. Performance times are 8:00pm Fridays and 2:30pm and 8:00pm Saturdays. Wilson Center is located at 19805 W. Capitol Drive in Brookfield. For information, call Wilson Center at (262) 781-9470.

Tickets are \$16 for adults but discount coupons are available on the Village Playhouse website at www.villageplayhouse.org.



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Kids Hope to go from VPW's "Our Town" to Tinsel Town

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Danielle Bujanovich and Cody Hagen are a couple of busy kids. Both are featured performers in the Village Playhouse of Wauwatosa's production of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" and both are auditioning for future productions in the Milwaukee area.

But both have their sights on Tinsel Town.

Eight year old Danielle and thirteen year old Cody first met at a John Robert Powers audition as part of IPOP, the International Presentation of Performers. Both were among hundreds of kids who participated. The most promising kids were invited to Los Angeles where they were presented the opportunity to audition for movie and television producers.

Both did well at the Los Angeles auditions. Well enough to land representation with one of the entertainment industries best known and most respected talent agencies.

Along with their moms, Danielle and Cody spent several months in Los Angeles last summer and are planning a return visit this summer. In fact, their moms became friends and the families shared living quarters while in Los Angeles.

Danielle has landed several auditions for national television ads, and is hoping to land a film role. Cody hopes to land a role in a sit-com.

"It's really hard work but it's really fun," Danielle said. And she'd like to make acting a career if she can.

"Most definitely."

You can see both of these talented kids in the Village Playhouse of Wauwatosa production which begins this weekend.

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