

# your cash ain't NOTHIN' BUT TRASH



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2. *Alina Pasowicz, 12*, describes her character as another comedic element to the show, and says, "We haven't done a play in two years. We finally get to be a part of something again, and it's really humorous, and the audience genuinely enjoys it." 3. *David Dougherty, 12*, played the role of the uptight social security office worker, Mr. Jenkins. 4. *Skylar Platt, 10*, carried the role of the overdramatic fiancée of Norman Macdonald.

## A MELLO DIRECTOR



*Andrew Mello* has been directing Wolfpack Theater for the past 11 years. Before becoming a teacher, he was an actor in New York. After 12 years, he moved West and decided to pursue in a teaching career. "The productions I've worked on are like my children. I can't pick a favorite one in good conscience. We put so much work into each one and they become very personal. I enjoy the process behind it, it's hard... but I like piecing it together. I like the artistic aspect of it - it keeps me artistically satisfied to do other plays. I've been very fortunate to work with really awesome people. I like introducing students to theater and seeing them grow. 'Cash on Delivery' was really fun. I've always wanted to do a farce, that style is super funny. I really enjoyed working with the cast and crew. The group was really good to work with to embrace the 'farce' style... and it helps a lot to have coffee. Wolfpack theater runs on Dunkin'."



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5. *Emily Welker, 12*, played the clueless wife, and describes her character as "angry" and says, "I just really love acting, and on stage is where I'm the happiest, it's where I can be myself even though I'm not actually myself. It's great, and I just can't wait for the production." *Darcy Brydges, 12*, acts as the relationship guidance counselor, and says, "Most of us cast members have been performing together for three or four years now, and are really close friends. This play is special because of the amount of love and passion we all put into it. Mr. Mello is an incredibly talented director and really created something special with this performance." 6. *Zion Mckine, 12*, says he was influenced by Mr. Mello to audition, and how fun it has been hanging out with the cast. He says, "My character is kinda like an undertaker - he deals with dead bodies. It makes no sense in a comedic way. 7. *Tivona Bishop, 12*, acts as a grief counselor, and says her favorite part is "removing the dead body because it's really fun. I also just love being around some really awesome people."



8. *Quinn Moore, 12*, spent most of his time acting dead on stage, and says, "My character contributes to the plot by making half the cast think I'm dead when I'm really not - which helps the main character make more and more lies. My favorite part was getting dragged around by Jabob. This play is special because in times like these where everything seems gloomy and depressing, it's good to have a show like ours to give people the laughter and joy they need. It feels amazing. I've definitely improved my performance from Little Shop last year."

# CASH *on delivery*

Vista Ridge brings together several students this year to light up the stage in a fast-paced comedic ride. Students with both loud and expressive personalities and quieter and shy ones truly express themselves to present a journey filled with lies, jokes, and many tears of laughter in Cash on Delivery! 1. *Jacob Odum, 12*, and *Douglas Conway, 10*, celebrate the happy ending to the story together. Douglas says, "This is my first play at Vista, it's been very good. It's a lot of fun, and it opens up a lot of opportunities. Originally I wasn't going to audition, but then Mr. Mello asked me to audition for it, and I got in! I was really happy about that. My character is really stupid, and he doesn't know what's going on, and that makes it fun to improvise." Jacob said, "Being a part of Cash On Delivery has been one of the best parts of my high school years. I worked so hard to become my character, Eric Swan, and I would kill to be able to do it again. This was so fun and I will never forget it."

## Behind the Scenes!



*Kiana Bonenfant, 10*

"Before rehearsal we always mess around and goof around before we get to serious work. It always gets really funny."



*Alexandra Moreno, 12*

"It's a really cool part about working on a project seeing all of your work come together and knowing you did that."



*Shannon Kosman, 11*

"I'm really excited for everyone to see what we've done - the fake butt, other costumes, and the fact that we put Doug in a wig which is funny."

