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Love Conquers All in Varsity Drama

By Esther Edwards

Love conquers all! Even dodgy travelling salesman, as Professor Harold Hill, the con man in the famous American musical, *The Music Man*, found out.

Professor Hill makes a living going around the various states persuading gullible townspeople to pay him to form their boys into a band. The problem, however, is that he "don't know one note from another." But he's done it for years; emptying wallets, breaking trust, collecting tar and feathers (for the next salesman in town), and keeping the musical types, who tend to be mostly girls, off balance with his persistent wooing. And this is precisely what he plans to do in River City, Iowa. But this time it's different.

Harold Hill (Danny Bradley), oozing with energy and charisma, arrives in stubborn Iowa. Despite the initial coldness from the townspeople and continuous opposition from the suspicious Mayor (Everett Plotner), he convinces the town that he is legit... all except Marian the Librarian (Sofia Minudri), the only musical sort in River City.

Over the next few weeks Harold's "band" and his promises transform the contrary town into a hive of excitement and anticipation. He heals grudges; gets the eternally quarrelsome school board (Mr. Nathan Anderson, Mr. Jack Bradley, Mr. John Carnahan, and Mr. Mark Rauch) singing; their wives (Esther Edwards, Isobel Niemeyer, Emma Story, and Priscilla Urquidez) "dancing"; and the previously speechless Winthrop (Jared Stokes) talking. All while trying to ingratiate himself to Marian, so that she doesn't call his bluff. Not only does he succeed in capturing her heart, but accidentally has his own captured by her. Thus caught, he ceases his life of crime and becomes an honest man.



The cast of the *Music Man* gather at the River City town square.

Directed by Mr. Tom Garfield, the show delighted its way to three standing ovations. "(Mr. Garfield) is very personal and always keeps it humorous," Sofia said. "I like how seriously he takes it." Danny agreed, "He is really easy and fun to work with." Luke Mason, who played Harold's ex-sidekick Marcellus who was now affianced to pianist Ethel Toffelmier (Moriah Stuble) said, "He is a visionary in his field, a pioneer in the dramatic arts, like George Washington without a wig."

"I've wanted to do the *Music Man* for many years," said Mr. Garfield. "It's definitely the most complicated show I've done, what with the sets and one of the biggest casts I've used. It's certainly the most dancing I've tried to put in a show. Mrs. Lloyd was a lifesaver."

Mrs. Heather Lloyd and Mrs. Katie Bouma choreographed

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Enrolled In a Teacher

One of our design features as humans is to trust our teachers.

I observed that feature in the early days of raising our own four children. Julie and I wanted them all to learn how to swim, so when they each got to be about five, we enrolled them in two-week, beginning swimmer classes through Summer Parks & Rec. These classes were usually taught by college-age young people (emphasis on the 'young').

Mind you, if the classes actually met for the allotted times (rain and/or cold temps would cancel), the total time my kids spent with their swimming teachers was about 10 hours. 10 hours! But it didn't take nearly that much time for my own offspring to regard their teachers as essentially oracles.

"Teacher says girls can float better than boys!" (I heard that one fairly often, having three daughters and only one son.) All sorts of sardonic replies came to my mind, but I usually didn't voice them...Instead:

"So, were you floating well today?"

"No. But I'm a girl so I will float better than Seth and all the other boys, teacher says."

I was pretty sure the teacher wouldn't have named names, but I let it go. By the end of the second week, such was the reverence given the teachers that, had the teacher said they could eventually walk on the water, I'm pretty sure my kids would've bought it...by faith, not by sight.

Children trust their teachers instinctively. Yes, parents may have to encourage their sons at times to *obey* the teacher, but I've never heard of a kindergartner doubting his teacher's word.

And unlike other attributes of childhood that naturally fade out by the time students grow into the upper grades, the trust factor stays pretty strong. Even in the high school grades, assuming biblical standards of love and honesty are enforced throughout, the older students rarely develop an attitude of cynicism toward their teachers. Again, this doesn't necessarily mean every student does all the *work* they should at the *times* they should, but the trust is still there.

Like all good things, I believe that the Creator designed us that way so that we can *learn* from our teachers, as the Lord said in Luke. Consider: about the only thing you learn from someone you don't trust is...don't be like that person. What if a teacher was saying true things 90% of the time, but you knew that at least 10% of the time he was lying or just wrong; how would that affect your trust, not to mention your learning? (Did the image of a college professor you had come to mind? Yeah, me too.)

When children enroll in the Logos grammar grades (P-6), they don't really enroll in first or third or whichever grade — they enroll in *Mrs. Miller's* class or *Mrs. Loyd's* class. Putting it even plainer, in a very real sense (and many parents know

Superintendent's Soliloquy

"A pupil is not above his teacher, but everyone, after he has been fully trained, will be like his teacher."

Jesus Christ in Luke 6:40

this), the child is enrolling in a *teacher*, not a class. It will be the teacher the child will notice, love, respect, and remember, not all their classmates and certainly not all the lessons.

Is that true of the older grades, too? Absolutely. Jesus didn't make any age, gender, vocation or other distinction in His statement about teachers and their influence.

He wasn't just talking about those going into the ministry, or even those who happened to be sitting under His teaching at that moment. His statement is universal — it's true across all time and cultures.

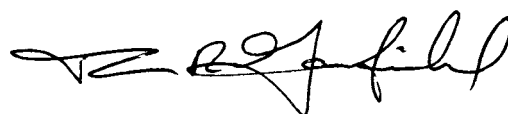
So our Logos high school students don't enroll in Biology; they enroll in Mr. Struble. They don't enroll in Latin; they enroll in Miss Dow; they don't take Apologetics; they take Mr. Euhus. Think about it: if you remember any class in your education, it's largely because of the effectiveness (or not) of the teacher.

It gets weightier: Jesus said the pupil, after all the classes are completed, will be *like* his teacher. He didn't say, "The pupil will *know* what the teacher *knows*." He said, 'like,' as in similar. (I confess I don't know the original Hebrew word Christ used, but I'm trusting the translators knew the difference between 'know' and 'like'.) I know for a fact that Logos teachers work very hard to make memorable and worthwhile lesson plans. They use time-tested, classical teaching methods to help the students learn the material well. But all those things — the plans and the methods — are just the contents of the tool box they bring into each class. It is the teacher's unique personality, spiritual maturity, humor, wisdom, demeanor, and their love for the students that ultimately engenders learning, or stifles it.

The apostle James warns against many becoming teachers. Why? Because teachers have a great deal of power to lead their pupils astray. The inherent trust of students (children or adults) can be easily manipulated by a corrupt teacher to fashion corrupt students, just like their teacher.

I'm delighted that all the students at Logos daily arrive packing with them the wonderful trust in their teacher(s). All the more reason I constantly pray for our teachers and would urge you to join me; only by God's grace will we be worthy of that trust. We long to be like *our* Teacher, as will all believers, when all our 'lessons' are done here.

In Him,



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the dances. Much fun was had by both dancers and spectators during rehearsals, especially when it came to lifts. Fortunately there were few casualties.

"Mrs. Bouma was an amazing dance instructor," said Knox Merkle. "She showed up every Thursday to dance with us, even though she was pregnant." Moriah said, "Mrs. Lloyd was amazing and filled with patience at our many mishaps." Mrs. Lloyd said, "The students were wonderful to work with. This was by far one of the easiest groups to choreograph. Everyone was diligent to practice and remember movement."

Other characters included Tommy, the town's bad boy (Karsten Schumaker), and Zaneeta, the Mayor's daughter (Summer Stokes). Their sub-plot was Romeo and Juliet themed, with the Mayor as the raging Capulet. Mrs. Paroo (Martha Bowman), the red headed, big hearted Irishwoman also delighted with her authentic Irish accent and Irish determination to marry her daughter off to the next gentleman who showed interest.

The town's personal constable (Nathan Miller) rocked his moustache and ensured that justice prevailed. Charlie Cowell (Ethan Howell) caused a sensation with his great acting and hair, or rather lack thereof.

Of course, the show couldn't go on without the small people of River City: Maggie Anderson, Cole Brusven, Kayte Casebolt, Jake Hughes, Madeline James, Bennett Schlect, and Elena Stokes.

Last, but not least, the show's capable dancers, danced and danced and danced some more, with the firm reassurance that practice makes perfect and it paid off. The troupe, who eventually learned how to smile and dance simultaneously,



The River City band finishes playing their first tune.

included: Jackson Dickison, Emilie Dye, Preston Evans, Tom Feuerstein, Sonya Isenberg, Knox Merkle, Noel Saunders, Karsten Schumaker, Darcey Stephenson, and Summer Stokes.

The cast offers special thanks to Jonathan and Allie Erber, the singing tutors; the terrific orchestra; Mrs. Chelsea Niemeyer, hair beautifier; the tech and stage crew, headed by Megan Story; Mrs. Carla Courtney, costumer extraordinaire, and Mr. Garfield.



The River City school board sings in a barbershop quartet (Mr. Nathan Anderson, Mr. John Carnahan, Mr. Jack Bradley, and Mr. Mark Rauch).



Play photos by Abby Euhus

Sofia Minudri, as Marian the Librarian, sings *Will I Ever Tell You*.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Essay Competition

Three Logos students won awards for their participation in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Essay Competition. Kayte Casebolt (6th grade) received second place for *Patriot's Pen*. For the *Voice of Democracy Audio Essay*, Rachel Michaels (junior) placed second and Everett Plotner (junior) was third. They had a pizza dinner at the awards presentation on Nov. 21.

Elementary Plays Delight Family and Friends



Elizabeth Evans, Jemma Driskill, and Amara Garfield after the December kindergarten play, *Manners for Christmas or Anytime of the Year*.
Photo by Kathryn Church



Mrs. McIvor's first grade presented *The Nativity*, just in time for Christmas.
Photo by Susan Sawyer



Second graders pose after performing in *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*, starring Seamus Wilson as Peter, in November.
Photo by Dianna Smith



In September, Mrs. Bradley's fourth graders reenacted a portion of the life of Paul Revere, played by Luke Hughes.
Photo by Lisa Hughes



Fifth graders presented the play, *Atlanta Loses the Race*, in the usual togas, in October.
Photo by Janelle Smith



The sixth grade class performed a delightful rendition of Shakespeare's *Comedy of Errors* in October. It starred Jared Stokes and Josiah Rauch as the first set of twins and Connor Costello and Alex Blum as the second set.
Photo by Dianna Smith

E L E M E N T A R Y

Logos' Good Neighbor Days

Four times each school year, elementary classes go out and pick up trash around the Logos campus and nearby neighbors: Zips, Tri-State, and the Palouse Inn.



Sixth graders pick up trash near the school fieldhouse.



Third graders, Soldier Gunn and Moriah White, spruce up the school entry.



Mrs. Kris Akin's third graders show off the results of their labors.
Photos by Kris Akin

Second Quarter Honor Roll

All A's

Second Grade

Alyssa Breese
Juliette Breese
Jesiah Brower
Adison Calene
Mari Calene
Ryan Daniels
Spencer Farrell
Mackenzie Liu
Emilee Randal
Simeon Rauch
Brooklyn Sawyer
Seamus Wilson

Third Grade

Oscar Beauchamp
Alyssa Blum
Caydon Costello
Annabelle Crapuchettes
David Daniels
Jordan Liu
Tabitha Miller
Eve Rench
Larissa Smith
Adeline Soderberg
Lucia Spencer
Moriah White

Fourth Grade

Rebekah Belschner
Lucas Hughes
Ivan James
Ayo Kayode-Popoola
Lily Leidenfrost
Beatrice McIntosh
Judah Merkle
Justus Smith
Angela Visger
Isaac White

Fifth Grade

Clara Anderson
Evangeline Jankovic
Kenneth Kline
Hazel Rheingans
Theodore Sentz
Elena Stokes
Kaylee Vis

Sixth Grade

Hope Belschner
Kayte Casebolt
Olivia Igielski
Hero Merkle
Naomi Michaels
Josiah Rauch
Jared Stokes
Abigail Visger
Mary Visger
Lucia Wilson

A-B

(All A's with no more than two B's)

Second Grade

Easton Berry
Jaylah Chaney
Gunnar Holloway
Grace Mortimore
Boaz Whitling
Isaiah Zavala

Third Grade

Jack Driskill
Garrett Farrell
Gabriel Igielski
Gloria Michaels
Owen Rathbun
Sydney Stevens

Fourth Grade

Kyle Banister
Signe Holloway
Hannah Hurdlow
Cora Johnson
Dola Kayode-Popoola
Esther Niemeyer
Nathaniel Plotner

Fifth Grade

Benjamin Druffel
Jude Grieser
Hannah Michaels
Alice Miller
Louisa Miller
Sydney Miller
Roman Nuttbrock
Madison Sawyer
Jasper Whitling

Sixth Grade

Maggie Anderson
Alexander Blum
Ava Driskill
Kailee Evans
Madeline James
Lydia Urquidez



Kindergarten cookie decorating and book exchange.
Photo by Dianna Smith



Knights Sports News



The boys' current record may be found at <http://www.whitepineleague.com/201415/bb.html>

2014-2015 Mid-Season Basketball Update

The girls' current record may be found at <http://www.whitepineleague.com/201415/gb.html>



Senior Levi Wintz goes for two against Potlatch.



Senior Elly Kine takes a shot over two Highland defenders.



Cotton Whitling



Jonny Handel

*Photos
by
Loren
Euhus*



Kristina Roberts



Naomi Miller

Cross Country Runs Again...at the Nike Championships

After placing second at State, the Logos cross country team competed at the [Nike Cross Northwest Regional Championships](#), where they placed fifth of 15 teams in the Varsity division. This included schools of all sizes.

Senior Paul Ryan ran as an individual in the Boys' Championship race and placed 17th of 183. Freshman Megan Dye also ran as an individual in the Girls' Championship race and placed 86th of 152. Levi Wintz and Jonny Handel finished in the top 20 in the Varsity division race.

The races were held on November 15 with freezing temperatures and snow on the ground at Eagle Island State Park in Boise, Idaho. Competitors came from seven states, including Wyoming, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Alaska, Hawaii, and Idaho.

Photos by Tyler Anderson



Paul Ryan placed 17th out of 183 in the Boys' Championship race.



Logos placed 5th of 15 with runners Everett Plotner, Levi Wintz, Jonny Handel, Josiah Anderson, and Jackson Dickison.



Megan Dye placed 86th of 152 in the Girls' Championship race.

Ryan Signs Letter of Intent to WSU

Senior Paul Ryan signed a National Letter of Intent in November to run for the Washington State University cross country and track teams. He received a full-ride scholarship from the Cougars.



Grace Liechty, a sophomore, competed in the [Idaho State Swim club meet](#) on November 7-8 as the sole Logos competitor. She finished 9th in the 200 freestyle and 14th in the 100 breast. Logos won the meet for the 1A/2A/3A division.

Photo by Roxanne Ruck

First Semester Faculty Commendations

The standards for this award are exemplary conduct, academic achievement, and a positive attitude toward school and school programs. Students must be nominated by all of their teachers.

Seventh Grade
Judah Rauch

Eighth Grade
Shania Hughes
Nathan Miller
Molly Murdock
Bennett Schlect

Ninth Grade
Keidi Anderson
Karsten Schumaker

Eleventh Grade
Josiah Anderson
Sonya Isenberg
Sofia Minudri
Summer Stokes
Cotton Whitling

Tenth Grade
David Ahmann
Jackson Dickison
Abigail Euhus
Preston Evans
Knox Merkle
Noël Saunders
Sarah "Elli" Sensing
Emma Story
Miles Whitling

Twelfth Grade
Esther Edwards
Jameson Evans
Lauren Flack
Elaine Kline
Isabella Minudri
Ruth Saunders

Second Quarter Honor Roll

Summa Cum Laude 4.0

Seventh Grade
Judah Rauch
Rory Wilson

Eighth Grade
Nathan Miller

Ninth Grade
Keidi Anderson
Jaewon Kim
Luther Michaels
Karsten Schumaker

Tenth Grade
David Ahmann
Preston Evans
Emma Story

Eleventh Grade
Josiah Anderson
Sonya Isenberg
Rachel Michaels
Summer Stokes

Twelfth Grade
Jameson Evans
Sheridan Howell
Caitlyn Krueger
Elizabeth Schlect

Magna Cum Laude 3.70-3.99

Seventh Grade
Isaac Blum
Isabelle Breese
Cameron Vis

Eighth Grade
Benjamin Euhus
Shania Hughes
Belphebe Merkle
Nicolas Minudri
Eleanor Rheingans
Bennett Schlect

Ninth Grade
Tiana Black
Jennifer Hoyt

Tenth Grade
Jackson Dickison
Abigail Euhus
Knox Merkle
Noël Saunders
Sarah "Elli" Sensing
Thomas Sensing

Eleventh Grade
Daniel Bradley
Abigeal Ilesanmi
Sarah Miller
Sofia Minudri
Darcey Stephenson
Cotton Whitling

Twelfth Grade
Martha Bowman
Emilie Dye
Esther Edwards
Lauren Flack
Rosalyn Gray
Ayo Kayode-Popoola
Chaeun Kim
Rebekah Kim
Elaine Kline
Naomi Miller
Isabella Minudri
Hannah Roberts
Kristina Roberts
Ruth Saunders
Levi Wintz

Cum Laude 3.5-3.69

Seventh Grade
Jacob Hughes
Sarah Rosendahl

Eighth Grade
Talis Meyer
Molly Murdock
Colson Richter

Ninth Grade
Sarah Corwin
Jemima Merkle
Bryan Vis

Tenth Grade
Andrew Handel
Ethan Howell
Drew Pilchard
Moriah Struble
Miles Whitling

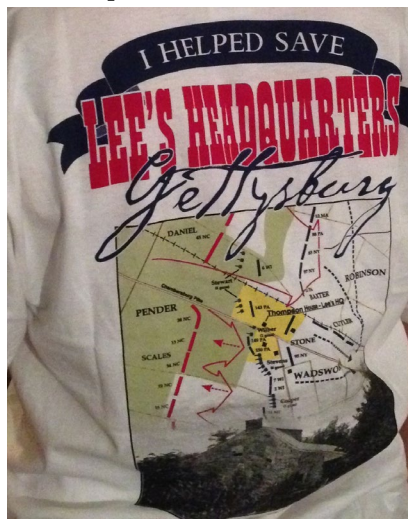
Eleventh Grade
Claire Ahmann
Jonathan Morris

Sophomores Raise Funds To Save Lee's Headquarters

Mr. Garfield's sophomore American History class raised \$700 to help save General Robert E. Lee's headquarters in Gettysburg. In return, they each received a t-shirt with the Gettysburg battle map and the legend "I Helped Save Lee's Headquarters" on it.

The class studies the Civil War (or the War Between the States) in some depth during the first semester. The project began when Mr. Garfield received a letter from [The Civil War Trust](#) seeking funds to help them purchase and restore the actual Gettysburg Headquarters of Robert E. Lee.

The 10th graders raised the money through two hot lunches at the school. In addition to the t-shirts, the Trust will display a plaque noting the donation from "The Logos School Class of 2017".



Alumni News

Wedding



Lauryl & Ben Handel

Ben Handel '07 married Lauryl Stephenson on the evening of December 31, 2014, in Moscow, Idaho, where they are making their home.

Births



The Struble Family

Wesley Dietrich Struble arrived at 9:15 a.m. on November 12, 2014! He was 8 lbs. 12 oz., 21 inches. Named after his Grandfather (whose birthday he shares) and Great Grandfather, with the prayer he will live up to their examples of humility, sacrifice and leadership. He joins mom and dad, **Alex '02 and Lynnessa (Hoeft '03) Struble** and sister in Maryland.



Elsie Rigg

Elsie Caroline Rigg, #5 on 12/5/15. She's perfect. — Born to **Kevin '96 and Andrea Jenkins Rigg**.



Caleb Bouma with son Elliot

We are overjoyed to announce the birth of our son, Elliot Walter Wilberforce Bouma! He was 8 lbs. and 21 inches. Elliot made his grand debut December 17, 2014, at 11:47 p.m., barely making it in time to share his Grandpa Walter's birthday! For those who like name meanings: Elliot comes from the Greek form of the Hebrew Elijah, and means, "Yahweh is God". Walter is Katie's father's first name. Wilberforce was one of the most inspiring Christian leaders in English history — his tireless efforts brought about the abolition of the slave trade in Britain (Watch the movie *Amazing Grace* about his life!). We pray that Elliot will grow to be a great advocate for the oppressed and for truth. Thank you so much for your prayers! God blessed us with a very smooth birth in our home, and we're all doing great. **Caleb '06, Katie, Karis, and Elliot Bouma.**

Oliver Samuel Ruff decided to surprise us and come two weeks early! He was born at 5:44 a.m. on January 10, 2015, and weighs 8 lbs. 8 oz. and is 20.5 inches long. We are completely in love with this new beautiful miracle and thanking God for good health. Praise God from whom all blessings flow! To **Ashlynn (Hoeft '08) and Andrew Ruff.**



Oliver Ruff

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Dates to Watch

FEBRUARY 4

Elementary Third Quarter Midterms

FEBRUARY 5

Elementary Spelling Bee

FEBRUARY 13-16

Presidents' Weekend

FEBRUARY 27

10th to 12th Speech Meet

MARCH 5-7

Junior High Play: *Sleeping Beauty*

MARCH 13/16-20

Teacher Workday/Spring Break



Don't miss this great evening of fellowship, excellent dining, and merriment! Bid on a vast array of silent and live auction items while listening to the cool stylings of Jon & Rand.

Make your reservation in person at the Logos School Main Office or by going online:

<http://logosschool.com/news-events/benefit-auction>

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