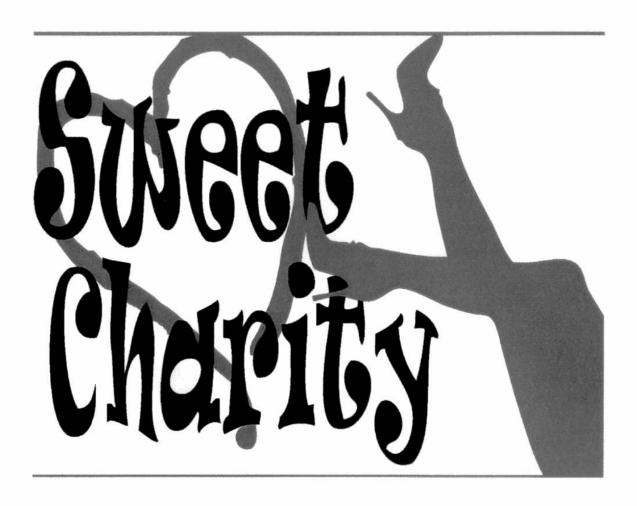
Royal Oak High School Drama Club Presents



By Neil Simon Music by Cy Coleman & Lyrics by Dorothy Fields

November 11, 12, and 13

Congratulations!

Sweet Charity

To the cast, crew and supporting stars who make these productions possible. Thanks for all your hard work and dedication. We love the shows!





Music By: Cy Coleman

Lyrics By: **Dorothy Fields**

Book By: **Neil Simon**

Based on the Screenplay By: Federico Fellini

Originally Directed on Broadway By:

Bob Fosse

Produced for the Broadway Stage By:

Fryer, Carr, and Harris

A Royal Oak High School Drama Club Production

DIRECTOR

Ed Nahhat

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Frannie Shepherd-Bates

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Deborah Buffa

ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR

Jason Rose

TEACHER ADVISOR

Theresa Brewer-Rollins

November 11-13, 2011

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SWEET CHARITY is a tender, poignant and consistently funny look at the adventures, or rather the misadventures, in the ways of love encountered by the gullible and guileless lady known as Charity Hope Valentine.

We meet Charity when she is involved with a married man, whom she hopes will be her fiancé as soon as he divorces his wife. When she suggests her love throw something into the beautiful lake for good luck, he throws *her* in and steals her purse which contains her life savings. Poor Charity is pulled out of the lake by a passer-by, and reports her misfortune to the police.

Charity's "real" chance for happiness comes when the fickle finger of fate traps her in an elevator with a claustrophobic tax accountant (Oscar Lindquist) who also seems to be in search of... "something". Charity joins Oscar as he attends a service at the Rhythm of Life Church led by the Reverend Daddy Brubeck, the spiritual leader of a former San Francisco jazz group turned religious cult. Romance ensues only to falter when Oscar discovers Charity's true occupation and dating history.

Through trials and tribulations, sweet Charity continues searching for love, wide-eyed and hopeful.

A Note from the Editor

Putting together the program for "Sweet Charity" was both a humbling and exhilarating experience. Compromising tight deadlines with last minute changes proved to be difficult, but at the end of the day, I was so satisfied to see the printed names of truly gracious, kind, and wonderful people. After sifting through lists and more lists, I did my best to ensure that the names in these pages are correct and accurate, but I apologize for any spelling errors and mistakes. I would like to personally thank Mrs. Stange for her time and expertise in putting together this program—your knowledge and encouragement has been invaluable to me. To Mrs. Oppewall, you rock! This program would never have been completed without you. I am so grateful to the both of you. Break a leg everyone!

-Anna Marck

For the Audience

<u>CELLULAR PHONES</u> and <u>PAGERS</u>: Please turn off all cell phones and pagers before the play begins.

SMOKING: Smoking is not permitted on school property.

<u>WATCHES</u>: Please turn off hourly chimes as to not disturb those around you.

<u>RESTROOMS</u>: Restrooms are located on either side of the auditorium. Women's room on the east side of the auditorium and men's room on the west side of the auditorium.

PHOTOS: No flash photography allowed for safety reasons.

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these community-minded companies and mention that you saw their advertisement in our program.



Act 1

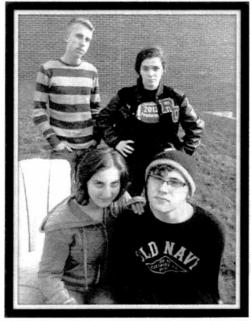
You Should See Yourself
Big Spender
Charity's Soliloquy
Rich Man's Fug
If My Friends Could See Me Now
Too Many Tomorrows
There's Got To Be Something Better Than
This
I'm the Brayest Individual

~~Intermission~~

Act 2

The Rhythm of Life
Baby, Dream Your Dream
Sweet Charity
Where Am I Going?
I'm a Brass Band
I Love to Cry At Weddings

...From the Officers

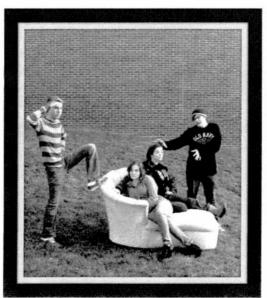


Working on Sweet Charity has been a fantastic experience! This year's drama club came into the year with so much vim and enthusiasm. Both cast and crew have worked incredibly hard at rehearsals, and we would like to congratulate you on the great accomplishment of putting on the show. Drama Club had a tenacious and scary future at the beginning of the year, as we bid farewell to the lovely Ms. Ochoa. We would like to thanks Mrs. Brewer-Rollins for stepping up and taking on the responsibilities and joys that come with being our teacher sponsor. As usual, parents have been invaluable to us and we extend our gratitude to all those involved, including Mrs. Vial, Mr. Valone, Mr and Mrs. Hunter,

Mrs. Ozdych, Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Oppewall, Mr. Niemkiewicz, Mr. Litwinowicz, and the innumerable others who have assisted our endeavors. Special thanks to Ms. Kennedy, Mrs. Buffa and the lovely Frannie Sheperd-Bates, whose creativity and hard work have been the lifeblood of Sweet Charity. To the pit orchestra and Mr. Rose who have provided the music we could simply not be without. And of course, many thanks to our amazing director, Mr. Nahhat, without whom we would never accomplish all we set out to do. We, the Drama Club Officers of 2011-2012, couldn't have had a more enjoyable start to this season. The memories of robot-fruitcake butlers, dance hall girls and awkward elevator rides will stay with

us for many years to come. We give our love to the cast, crew, parents, staff, pit, and audience of *Sweet Charity*. And we look forward to the triumph this show will be. Break a leg!

Forever Yours: Freida, Alexandra, Christopher and Christian. Equal parts Cast and Crew, But Entirely Drama Club's.





Stage Managers	Freida Blostein
	Connor Valone
Technical Director	Keegan Murphy
Costume Crew Leads	Ellen Stachowicz
	Chelsea Criger
Lights Crew Leads	Madison Ozdych
	Brendan Hunter
Props Crew Leads	Taylor Gibson
	Myah Jenkins
Make-up and Hair Crew Lead	
Publicity Crew Leads	Cassie Haglund
	Janet O'Leary
Program	Anna Marck
Set Construction	Josh McGrath
	Nathan Foerg
Sound Crew Lead	Christian Bastian
Stage Crew Lead	Katie Elkins



Supporting Players

The Royal Oak High School Drama Club would especially like to thank:

Claire Vial Sheryl Hunter Diane Wielgat Rick Valone Joel Blostein Ray Litwinowicz Paul Vial

Kerry Hunter Tom Niemkiewicz Shannon Kennedy **Becky Stange** April Ozdych Beth Valone Kathleen Otruba

Theresa Brewer-Rollins Barbara Oppewall Barb Haglund **NHS Students**

And to Stagecrafters (for the loan of the couch!)

More Crew



Set Construction

Nathan Foerg
Josh McGrath
Ariana Quesada
Abby Harbourne
Dylan Sanders
Brianna Williams
Anna Pacifico
Robert Daratony
Aidan Walsh
Sam Scislowiocz
Abby Walsh
Caroline Hofman
Delaney Ryan

Publicity

Kate Pilcher Megan Canterbury Cassie Haglund Janet Oleary JT Hatchett Steven Mitchell

Props

Taylor Gibson Myah Jenkins Janel Gorman Robyn Stockman Kelly Waterfall Steven Mitchell Jacob Walbridge Murilo Hanita

Stage Crew

Keegan Murphy Katie Elkins Nathan Foerg Josh McGrath Bobby Daratony Aiden Walsh

<u>Haír &</u> Make-Up

Mia Gallucci Savannah Major Geena Karsama Kasey O'Donnell

<u>Lights</u>

Omar Romolino Ariana Quesada Sam Scislowiocz Madison Ozdych Brendan Hunter Robert Daratony

Sound

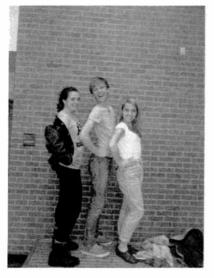
Christian Bastian Alex Murphy , Bobby Daratony Chad Bateman

Costumes

Chelsea Criger Ellen Stachowicz Anna Roberts Savannah Major Anna Pacifico









Charity	Bridget Vial
Oscar	Isaac Garrigues- Cortelyou
Vittorio Vidal	Chris Wagman
Ursula	
Daddy	Christiaan Lafata
Helene	
Nickie	
Herman	
Betsey/Carmen	Emma Stevens
Rosie	Ellen Stachowicz
Manfred	
Chorus/Ensemble	Keegan Murphy
	Caroline Hofman
	Lucas Valone
	Jasmine Walker
	Abby Walsh
	Madison Ozdych
	Abby Harbourne
	Amanda Sierra
	Rachel Rakos
	Camille Primeau



Sweet Charity is a grown-up musical that takes on a tough world: 1960's Manhattan, where women are dependent upon men in a way that, thankfully, we don't see today. And girls with good hearts, like Charity, can be literally pushed around in their search for true love.

We took on *Sweet Charity* because the music is great, the dancing is really cool and the humor is top notch. Even the scene changes are unique. Mostly we did it because it's a challenge, and young talent needs a challenge to grow.

I am immensely proud of all of the students involved in this show. This is a grown-up musical. And on this stage, these students are growing up before your eyes.

Ed Nahhat Kimball '79

Special Thanks

The Royal Oak High School Drama Club thanks Mr. Greening, Mr. Jensen, Mrs. Buffa, Mr. Rose, Frannie Shepherd-Bates, Tom Niemkiewicz, Shannon Kennedy, Ms. Brewer-Rollins, and the facilities staff.

Our most special thanks go out to our awesome parent volunteers: Mr. and Mrs Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Vial, Mr. Litwinowicz, Mrs. Ozdych, Mr. and Mrs. Valone, Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Oppewall/Mr. Blostein and Mrs. Stange for their extra hours of guidance and assistance.

Pít Orchestra

Director

Mr. Jason Rose

Piano

Mrs. Jennifer Semivan

Violin

Sarah Poszywak

Cello

Anne-Marie Muelller

Reed 1

Andre Zapico Susan Rusinowski Francesca Leo Melissa Caren

Reed 2

Matthew Miller

Reed 3

Katie Faddol

Reed 4

Abby Rodgers Kyrstin Jensen

Reed 5

Kyrstin Jensen Matthew Smith

Trumpet 1

Jorah Huntington

Trumpet 2

Michael O'Brien

Trumpet 3

Andrew Jensen

Trumpet 4

Evan McCutchen

Trombone

Cameron Miesterfeld

Percussion

Nathan DeVera Collin Chatas Lexy Kangas





CHRISTIAN BASTIAN-SOUND

Christian is a senior and one of this year's drama club officers. He has been the sound crew lead since his freshman year! When not manning the sound board, he plays tennis, long boards, eats, and cat daddys.

"My favorite part of drama club is the free food and tape-ball soccer."

STAGE MANAGER-FREIDA BLOSTEIN

This senior, also DC President, is a fourth year drama clubber who has participated in every show since freshman year either stage managing, working sound, or acting! Her extra-curricular activities include soccer, MUN, and NHS.

"I love drama club like a dysfunctional child... really."





CHELSEA CRIGER- COSTUMES

Chelsea worked on make-up, costumes and crew for *Cinderella* and on costumes and crew for *Little Women*. She plays the clarinet and is in Marching Band and Jazz Ensemble. She also participates in Model UN and Interact and she plays a mean baritone ukulele.



This junior is helping with stage managing on the third mic. She worked on stage crew for *Cinderella* and *Little Women*. Her hobbies are reading and photography and watching Disney channel. Her favorite part of drama club is the crazy people and using her shoe to keep people in line.





NATHAN FOERG— STAGE CREW

Nathan, a junior, assisted with last year's productions of *Cinderella* and *Little Women*, not only helping on stage crew, but with set construction as well! He likes being awesome.

"I'm awesome."



Mia worked on the hair/ makeup crew for *Cinderella* and *Little Women*. Now a junior, Mia is stepping into the role of hair/ makeup crew lead. She participates in Interact, painting, international mission trips, and dance.

"Peace cannot be kept by force, it can only be achieved by understanding"- ALBERT EINSETIN





PROPS- TAYLOR "GIBBY" GIBSON

Gibby is a senior who spends her time on the swim team, S.E.A., international club, M.R.C., A Cappella, knitting, and participating in tomfoolery. She worked props for *Cinderella* and *Little Women* last year. Once, she ate an entire Hot 'N Ready pizza, and her props specialty is rolling fake cigarettes.

"I'm not a hipster!"





JANEL GORMAN- PROPS

Janel has been involved in drama since she was ten and she performed in *Joseph...* As soon as she began high school, she knew drama club was the place for her! Props has given her a passion for creating and finding unusual objects for the last three years. She likes experimenting with crafts, hanging with drama kids, finding obscure music, and sleeping. "Adventure is out there!"

LIGHTS-BRENDAN HUNTER

This sophomore is finding a niche in drama club, just like his siblings Kim and Andrew did! He likes hanging out with friends, youth group, and having a good time. Last year, Brendan worked spot lights for Cinderella and light board for Little Women. "I found this in the light booth, but I don't know what it is."

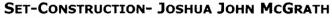




MYAH JENKINS- PROPS

Myah has been props-ing it up for the last five shows. She is a props master! She stays busy working two jobs, singing in A Cappella Choir, listening to music, hanging with friends, and playing in the snow.

"Hey! That's a pretty good idea. I'll give you the moon, Mary."



This is Josh's fourth show as Set Construction Crew Lead, the previous shows being *The Man Who Came to Dinner, Cinderella*, and *Little Women*. Josh, an eleventh grader, also worked on the crew for *Into the Woods*. "R.I.P. Billy Mays."





KEEGAN MURPHY- CHORUS/ TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

Keegan's a junior with technical directing experience in three previous shows. An aspiring paramedic, Keegan likes refereeing youth soccer games and playing on his own team, the Bullfrogs! He plays video games, card games, board games, and reads. "I'm going to be in drama club until the last piece of set is taken apart senior year."



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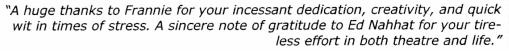


ELLEN STACHOWICZ- COSTUMES/ ROSIE

Ellen has led the costume crew for the past four shows. This junior plays the banjo, does Hawaiian/ Tahitian dancing, and is an Interact and Model UN member. She studied theatre at Ridgedale Plavers, Water Works Academy Theatre Camp, and Blue Lake. She likes smooth jazz.

STAGE MANAGER— CONNOR VALONE

This is not a picture of Connor Valone. A senior, he likes to spend his spare time writing, going to shows, going to Ferndale, and taking pictures of cats! He has stage managed too many productions, however you may have seen him onstage last year as Mr. Laurence in Little Women.







About the Cast





CALVIN BROWN- HERMAN

You may have seen Calvin Brown on Stagecrafter's stage this past summer playing Andy in *Camp Rock*. He was also involved with drama club last year, rocking out the roles of Horse/ Fabric Salesman/ Dancer in *Cinderella*. Among this sophomore's favorite things are: making music, drama club, choir, and collecting McDonald's monopoly pieces. "I love to cry at weddings. Robert Moorse is my past life. The color

URSULA - ALEXANDRA DULIN

Alexandra, Drama Club's VP, has been acting at ROHS since her freshman year in such shows as: A Midsummer Night's Dream, Into the Woods, The Man Who Came to Dinner, Cinderella, and Little Women. This well-rounded senior also participates in Varsity Soccer, Softball, A Cappella, Chamber Singers, and Marching Band. "I'm a girl, I'm not an animal, and I'm not going to die. I'm kind of a big



deal."



ISAAC C. GARRIGUES-CORTELYOU - OSCAR

Isaac is a junior and *Sweet Charity* marks his first production with Drama Club, however he played Hannibal in "Curious Savage" at Lakeville High School. Isaac enjoys singing, playing lacrosse, marching band, and cooking.

"Apologies to my parents for not getting out enough to get a driver's license and thus making them drive me places. To Beth, my girlfriend,

CHARLIE/DADDY - CHRISTIAAN LAFATA

Though this is Christiaan's first ROHS production, he has been actively involved in theatre at other locations, playing such roles as Jason Gray in Camp Rock, Ambrose Kemper in Hello, Dolly!, and Baby John in West Side Story. "I'd like to thank my parents, my sisters, grandma, Mama C, the rest of my family and my friends; the ones I actually like, especially Brugada Ramon."





MAXWELL SANDERS - MANTRED

Maxwell performed in *Cinderella* last fall and stage managed *Little Women* last spring. He has also graced the Baldwin stage as Axel in *Camp Rock*. Max is an avid instrumentalist, playing ukulele, bass guitar, and trombone. When not acting or making music, Max likes to swim!

"My theatre friends are smarter than my regular friends. I can prove it!"



About the Cast



NICKIE - LESLIE SEERY

This junior is ecstatic to be in *Sweet Charity*, her first show! When not at rehearsals, Leslie keeps busy with Chamber Singers, Robotics Team, and The Civil Air Patrol. She also enjoys long walks on the beach.

"I would like to dedicate this performance to my loyal friend, Alice Bell. You have always been there for me when I need you; I am for-



Daddy's As't./Good Fairy/Carmen/Betsy — EMMA STEVENS
Emma played a villager in Cinderella, a hen in Into the Woods,, Ms. Dexter in The Man Who Came to Dinner and a moth in Midsummer Night's Dream. Her hobbies include eating sweet tarts, listening to Christmas carols, thrift shopping, and telling really cheesy jokes. "If I had to choose between being feared or loved, I'd choose both. I want people to be afraid of how much they love me."





BRIDGET VIAL— CHARITY

Bridget, just a sophomore, is already making her mark on drama club, having performed in *Cinderella* last fall and working publicity for *Little Women* last spring. She plays soccer, is the treasurer of Interact, is a member of Women's Ensemble. Bridget likes going to the DIA and cooking She would like to thank Coach Cheryl and her soccer team for putting up with all the soccer she missed, and her parents for all their support.



VITTORIO VIDAL - CHRIS WAGMAN

Drama Club officer, Chris Wagman, has had roles in the last four drama club shows! This junior enjoys pita and hummus, reading and writing, playing video games and being a baritone.

"To JU: The kiss is awkward. And to Schloppo: Thank you for all of the transportation and comfort."



HANNAH ROSE WIELGAT- HELENE

Hannah's past performing experiences include: Royal Oak Children's Choir for four years, Kaleidoscope Studio for Performing Arts for two years, and three years of piano. A sophomore, Hannah spends her free time playing Sims 3, Portal 7, COD, playing piano, and recording songs. Some of her favorite things are "The Lion King," Sprite, and



ENSEMBLE - RACHEL RAKOS

A freshman, Rachel likes playing softball, being a part of G.S.A. and of course chilling at drama club. This is her first production!

AMANDA SIERRA- ENSEMBLE

Mandy is in the 12th grade and this is her first ROHS production! She performed in a choir in a Las Vegas elementary school. Mandy loves singing, dancing, reading, traveling, shopping, and texting. She is...

"A Texas gal raised in Sin City. Chillin in The Mitten State, who can't wait to take a bite of The Big Apple!"

ENSEMBLE - LUCAS VALONE

Last year, Lucas worked two shows on props with Hannah and Catherine! This year, he is taking the stage. A sophomore, Lucas likes to ski with his friends and sing in ROHS Choir. "I am full of fun facts! Did you know there are 254 ridges on a penny? I would like to thank my mom, dad, brother, and Elmo for making me who I am."

JASMINE WALKER - ENSEMBLE

This enthusiastic senior is an avid fan of "Harry Potter," reading, and writing. Her previous performance experience comes from *High School Musical* at Arts Academy in the Woods.

ENSEMBLE - ABBY WALSH

Abby, a freshman, loves dancing, art, and taking pictures! This is her first time mounting the ROHS stage, however she performed previously at the Warren Civic Theatre in *Hairspray*. Abby has two cats and a dog.





ENSEMBLE - PAIGE BRADLEY

Paige is a tenth grader and this is her first show with drama club, however she performed as Betsy the Cow in "Jack and the Beanstalk" at a YMCA Seminar. Paige enjoys reading and writing. Her favorite things are unicorns, apple juice and her mom.

ABBY HARBOURNE — ENSEMBLE

This former ROCC singer is now in 11th grade. Abby, an avid tennis player, shopper, singer, swimmer, and Interact club member loves to watch old movies and hang out with friends. She worked crew for multiple ROHS Drama Club shows, including *Into the Woods, Cinderella*, and *Little Women*.

ENSEMBLE — CAROLINE HOFMAN

Caroline has performed in numerous shows at the Michigan Opera Theatre, including The Magic Flute as the First Spirit and as a chorus member for Carmen, Tosca, La Boheme, the Very Last Green Thing, the Maker of Illusions and Brundibar. Her hobbies are swimming, piano and her church praise team. "I'd like to thank my parents for adjusting to my crazy schedule"

ENSEMBLE - MELANIE LIMER

Melanie is a sophomore who is on Student Council and Dance Company. She assisted last year's musical, *Cinderella*, by running the sound board! When not at drama club, Melanie likes singing and breeding tigers.

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ENSEMBLE— CAMILLE PRIMEAU

Camille, a 10th grader, is a busy bee! She is a member of Marching band and Women's Ensemble and she also enjoys playing tennis, watching Korean dramas, and practicing piano.



Dedications



Bridget, We are so happy that you have this opportunity. Your dedication and perseverance make us proud! Congratulations! Love, Mom, Dad, and Ellen



Congretulations on your first show Abby!

We are looking forward to many more.

Break a leg!

Love

Daddy, Mom and Aidan

Sweet Hannah, You're a "Supa Sta" Shine On. Love you much Mom Dad and Chloe



Mo,
We Love you! Thanks for being a Drama Queen at school,
and not at home. Love you!
—The Ozdych Family

Freida:
We love you, and appreciate you and all
your hard work.
Keep it up, wherever you go in life.
Love
Mom, Dad, Ben, Susan. And Theadora Jus-

tinian the Second

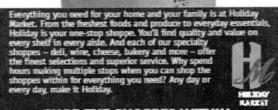


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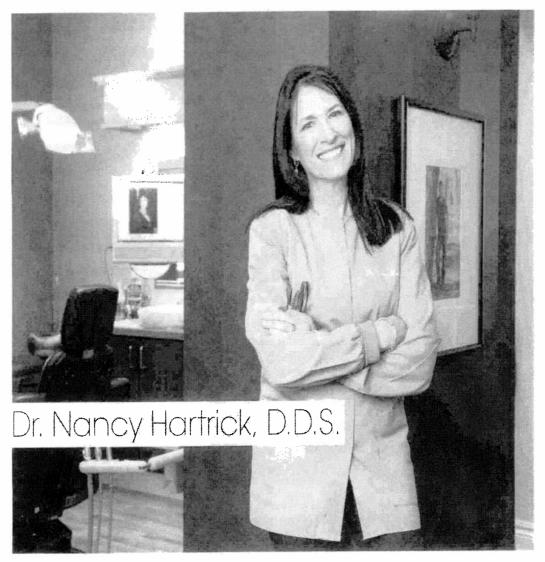
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