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Dallas play

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The Dallas High School cast, directed by Elaine Bauer, assistant director Audrey Ide and student assistant director Laura Vodzak excelled in their performances. It is difficult to choose a best or favorite actor in a troupe of so many excellent thespians. The characters have such depth, they are recognized immediately.

Brad Lothridge was completely convincing as the stern, bull-headed Captain Hoxie, and never once fell out of character. The laughter of the audience was hysterical, when he forced his lips into a crooked tooth-revealing grimace and asked, "Am I smiling?"

Young Danny, played by Joe Bednash, was endearing when he begged Lieutenant Di Maggio, "Please sir, don't make us play. We want to win!"

Matt Mark's portrayal of Cor-

poral Opie Dalrymple's southern charm and accent was just plain fun. Similarly, Kristen Vodzak (thespian genes in the Vodzak family) was every PTSO's dream mom as the join-every-committee Grace Bannerman.

Not to be overlooked was Michael Miller, as the husband she drives crazy, Harry Bannerman. His rendition of "How do I love thee?" had the audience delirious with relief that he was going home to Grace. Paul Newman and Natalie Wood played this couple in the slightly different 1958 movie.

Then there was Grady Metcalf played by Corey Phillips and the other wannabe Fonsies in leather jackets.

Never again miss the opportunity to see a play at Dallas High School. The quality in performance and ticket price can't be beat.



Issac Goodpasture (center, Adam Morgan) mediates between Putnam's Landing's Prudence Melvin (left, April Piazza) and the military's commander Colonel Thorwald (Sarah Klug).



"I'm just like my mother!" wails Grace Banner (Kristen Vodzak) to her son Danny (Joe Bednash).



Opie (Matt Mark) dressed as a minuteman for the folk drama, shares a commiserating look with Harry Banner (Michael Miller) during the July 4 fireworks.



A bored Harry Banner (Michael Miller) listens as his wife, Grace (Kristen Vodzak), drones on about her committee work as they drive their "bench" to the town meeting.



The boys in leather admire the cool, Grady Metcalf (Corey Phillips) for his motorcycle and 18-year-old status. From left: Ed (Colin Breazeale), Fred (Max Strasser), Grady Metcalf (Corey Phillips), and Charlie Melvin (Bob Murphy).



Some of the technical crew poses in the lighting room. In front, Megan Riley, Sound. Back row, from left: Jason Ostrum, Stage Crew; Adam Pajka, Lighting; Shane Shrader, Lighting; Andy McGee, Lighting.

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Harry (Michael Miller) and Grace Bannerman (Kristen Vodzak) take their bows. In background from left; Danny Bannerman (Joe Bednash), Lt. Guido Di Maggio (Ken Bauer), and Captain Hoxie (Brad Lothridge).



The soldiers salute the townspeople at the Welcoming Party. From left: Corporal Opie Dalrymple (Matt Mark), Private William O. Wambess (Kurt Vor Broker), Private Roger Litwhiler (Brian Ziller), and PrivatGus Morrisette (Mike Swartwood).