



Young cast of Fox Valley Repertory show true heart in musical 'You're A Good Man Charlie Brown'

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St. Charles, IL — Charlie Brown isn't the only person with a good heart.

Fox Valley Repertory's Performing Arts Academy wear their hearts on their sleeves, when they perform the musical "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown" on the stage of Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles. The arts academy, filled with children ages 6 to 10 years old, decided to help pets, like Snoopy, find forever homes, so the group will be collecting donations of pet food and products to give to the HELP organization of St. Charles during their show.

"You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" will be presented at 4 p.m. Saturday, May 14, and 11 a.m. Sunday, May 15. Admission is free.

HELP is a non-for-profit organization whose sole purpose is to find Homes for Endangered and Lost Pets. Animals are cared for in foster homes throughout DuPage and Kane Counties while they wait for adoption.

"I adopted my cat Fuzzy from HELP three years ago, and she is the sweetest most loving cat," says cast member Isabella Ford of Sugar Grove. "I am excited to be able to give back to the organization that gave me my best friend."

Admission to the performance is free, but the cast will be accepting donations of pet food, pet leashes, pet toys and any pet related products. Donations will be collected at the shows and transported to the center and foster homes by volunteers from HELP. Additionally, as a non-profit organization, the FVR Academy accepts cash donations in lieu of admission to provide scholarships to underprivileged local children who would not otherwise be able to participate in their programs.

The Charlie Brown cast members include from Aurora: Rece Komorn; Batavia: Caden Bohmer; Elburn: Morgan Miller; Elgin: Robert Keldani, Jordon Keldani, Amelia Kuhlman; Geneva: Zoe Borden, Nathan Castagna, Rhea Chandran, Kaia Ebel, Erin Hurley, Jessica Lamplough; Hanover Park: Hayley Troyan; North Aurora: Madeline Cue; St Charles: Erika Denker, Keira Denker, Jamie Dowat, Emily Johns, Bethany Paris, Eva Saltsman; Sugar Grove: Isabella Ford, Maggie Madziarczyk, West Chicago: Paige Cannata.

This summer, Fox Valley Repertory Performing Arts Academy will do "Annie" for ages 6 to 11. Auditions are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 4 and 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 7.

Classes are available for ages 3-19. For more information, call (630) 364-0550 or visit www.foxvalleyrep.org/education.

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