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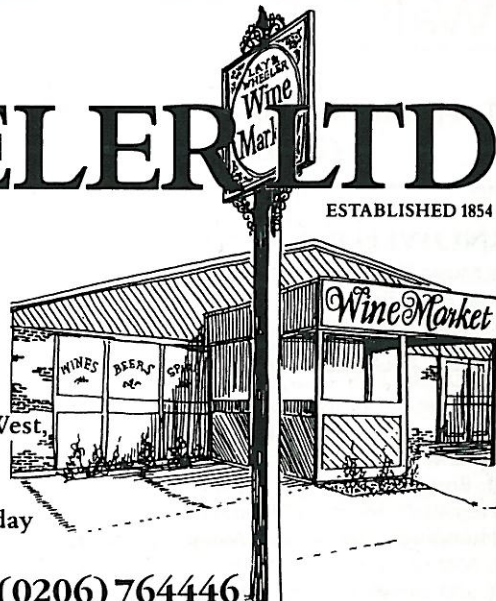
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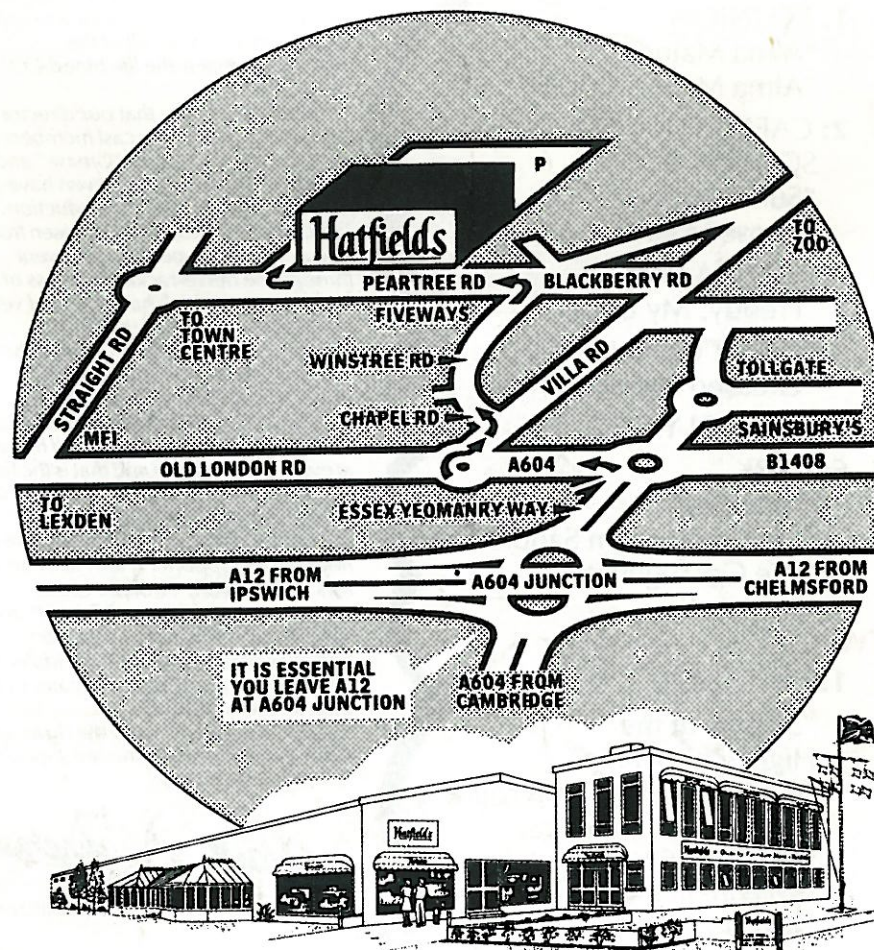
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EUGENE FLORCZYK	Damien Bell
JAN	Kim Webster
MARTY	Kate Bone
BETTY RIZZO	Alison Wilby
DOODY	David Moya
ROGER	David Clarke
KENICKIE	Lee Carter
SONNY LATIERRI	Jim Bagley
FRENCHY	Emma Spurgeon
SANDY DUMBROWSKI	Mandy Fincham
DANNY ZUKO	Philip Spurgeon
VINCE FONTAINE	Colin Thorne
JOHNNY CASINO	Mick Hemstedt
CHA-CHA DI GREGORIO	Nicola Massey
TEEN ANGEL	Mark Fincham

BOYS

Crispin Bancroft, Richard Morgan, Jonathan Rawlings, Gavin Sadler, Jon Southam, Jonathan Tully, Nathan Wacey, Scott Woodrow.

GIRLS

Rachel Addison, Kirstie Chase, Leanne Connelly, Eleanor Graves, Sarah Higbee, Gillian Humphreys, Beverley Humphreys, Graeme Ivell, Clare James, Victoria Kelly, Joanne Libby, Clair Lomax, Lizzie Lunnon, Maria Lunnon, Tavy Mogridge, Charlotte Morgan, Becky Neale, Lauren Price, Liz Rawlings, Rebecca Thompson.

THE BAND

Musical Director/Keyboards	Peter Humphrey
Tenor Saxophones	Graham Quilter, Neale Ridding
Guitar	Nigel Paterson
Bass	David Cole
Drums	Malcolm Ball

PRODUCTION TEAM

Director/Choreographer	Lee Threadgold	Lighting	Alan Lerner, Terry Lyon
Director/Choreographer's Assistants	Dani Fincham, Stephanie Thorne	Sound Consultant	Martyn Hunt
Musical Director	Peter Humphrey	Sound Operator	Philip Marks
Stage Manager	Mike Spurgeon	Costume Co-ordinator	Sally Hammond
Stage Crew	John Andrews, Kate Bagley, Chris Barrell, Vic Edwards, Anita Harding, Irene Johnston, John Johnston, Terry Marsh, Chantal Moorhouse, Dave Rosoman, David Sage, Dave Winter	Costumes	Gill Edwards, Carol Rosoman, Society Members, Mercury Theatre Costume Hire, Braintree Operatic Society
Set Design	Lee Threadgold	Properties	Gill Edwards, Annette Porte, Chris Snow, 'Versatility' of Tiptree
		Make-up and Wigs	Jenny Spurgeon, Jayne Batchelor
		Prompt	Maggie Brush, Marion Spurgeon

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES & MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT ONE

PROLOGUE

"Vacation"

Scene 1: REUNION

"Alma Mater"

"Alma Mater" Parody

Scene 2: CAFETERIA AND SCHOOL STEPS

"Summer Nights"

"Those Magic Changes"

Scene 3: PAJAMA PARTY

"Freddy, My Love"

Scene 4: STREET CORNER

"Greased Lightnin'"

Scene 5: SCHOOLYARD

Scene 6: PARK

"Mooning"

"Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee"

"We Go Together"

ACT TWO

Scene 1: ON STAGE

"Shakin' at the

High School Hop"

"It's Raining on Prom Night"

(Radio-Voice offstage)

SCHOOL GYM

"Shakin' at the High School

Hop" Reprise

"Born to Hand-Jive"

Scene 2: FRONT OF BURGER PALACE

"Beauty School Dropout"

Scene 3: DRIVE-IN-MOVIE

"Alone at a Drive-in-Movie"

Scene 4: JAN'S PARTY

"Rock 'n' Roll Party Queen"

"There Are Worse Things I Could Do"

"Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee" Reprise

Scene 5: INSIDE BURGER PALACE

"All Choked Up"

FINALE

"We Go Together" Reprise

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Welcome once again to our annual production.

"Grease" was our first production and was performed in this theatre seven years ago! A fact that many of the people involved with this production would like to ignore, but just to put that in context, I can confirm that the youngest member of the cast in this, our eighth show, was at that time only four years old.

We have always tried to be bright and enthusiastic and I'm sure that you will find that this show is full of the exuberance that is the life blood CO² thrives on.

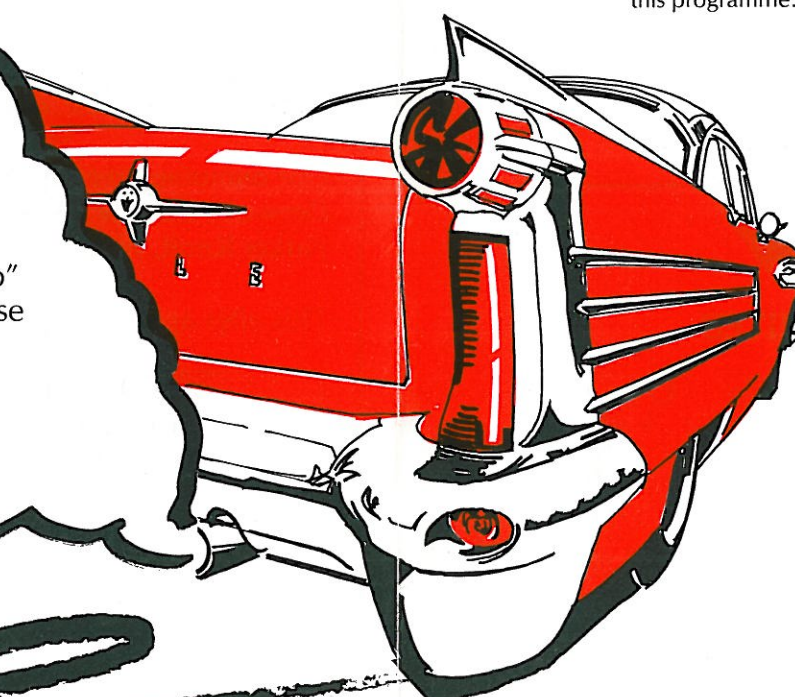
I'm pleased to say that our director this year was one of the cast members in our 1984 production of "Grease" and you never know, we may even have a future director in today's production. The cast you see today was chosen from about 110 young people who went through the nerve-racking process of auditions and I think have worked very hard together with a dedicated production team to entertain you this evening. My sincere thanks to all involved both past and present in making CO² as successful as it is today.

This year we are playing to full houses at every performance and that is the best reward we could possibly ask for. If you want tickets for Colchester Operatic Society's future productions then why not join our supporters club? Just contact Mrs M Spurgeon, 16 Sioux Close, Highwoods, Colchester CO4 4RP, for more details. Colchester Operatic Society's next production is "Fiddler On The Roof" at the Mercury Theatre from 20th to 30th November.

Now sit back and enjoy the show and thank you for your continued support. See you next time.

Mark J. Fincham

CHAIRMAN



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