

# BROADWAY BOUND

"ART is my favorite subject because I hope to do something artistic when I get older and the class is interesting. Through art you can wish express whatever you wish."

-Jaime Apking,  
Art II

"MUSIC is my favorite subject because it enhances your ability and knowledge in music. It also helps you understand and use a self-learning process which will help in the real world."

-Kenneth Groh,  
Piano One

One choir of the music department was quite different from the others. Instead of donning traditional gowns, this group had adopted tuxedos and sparkling dresses; instead of a regular straight faced stance, this group moved all around the stage. This multi-talented group of actors and singers was the Touring Company of Sycamore High School. "We have more liberty in our musical selections [than other choirs]. Also, we can add more acting and dancing to liven up the songs," senior Scott Parrish said.

Many hours of work went into making a presentation. Touring Company met as a class seventh period everyday. Certain concerts called for extra rehearsals and it was the responsibility of the members to prepare their solo selections. Much time was spent actually performing, of course, which was often on weekends or in the evening. "I really love having the chance to perform for such a wide variety of people, and seeing their reaction to us," senior Leigh Ann Fibbe stated. "It is the most rewarding experience to see someone touched by a song that you sing for them."

Since Touring Company was a popular elective course, many

students attended workshops to learn various song and dance routines just to be eligible to audition for the class. At the actual auditions, students performed these numbers, plus did spot reading and a prepared solo.

"Touring Company specializes in entertaining groups of people," Parrish explained. "This could be office parties, choir concerts, or festivities around Cincinnati." With a reputation in the area, Touring Company even was asked to perform before the opening curtain of the Nutcracker by the Cincinnati Symphony.

Now a tradition, Touring Company holds a Cabaret Show every year. In 1992, it was held on Wednesday, February 13 and the theme was "Aspects of Love." There was a spaghetti dinner and entertainment afterwards. Fibbe said, "I really was able to get caught up with the theme this year. 'Aspects of Love' seemed perfect since the show was only two days away from Valentine's Day."

After lengthy rehearsals and numerous performances, Touring Company proved to be a respectable acting and singing troupe, and many of the members were possibly headed towards Broadway.

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