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Local Youngsters Create Classic Characters in RLT'S A Christmas Story, Sponsored by Daisy Outdoor Products

Rogers, AR: The holiday classic, *A Christmas Story* comes to life on stage on December 2-4, 8-11, 2011 at the Rogers Little Theater with the aid of seven talented young actors.

Presented by Daisy Outdoor Products in celebration of its 125th anniversary, the production is adapted by Philip Grecian, based on the 1983 motion picture "A Christmas Story", from Turner Entertainment Co., distributed by Warner Bros., written by Jean Shepherd, Leigh Brown and Bob Clark; based upon the book "In God We Trust, All Others Pay Cash" by Jean Shepherd, and directed by Ed McClure.

The youth cast includes Tristen Weldon as Ralphie Parker, the boy for whom Christmas is all about getting a Daisy Red Ryder BB Gun. Weldon is an eighth grader at Benton County School for the Arts in Rogers.

Preston Dulaney a sixth grader at Old High Elementary in Bentonville, is Randy Parker, his younger brother.

Thomas Dean Cicatiello, a fourth grader at Tucker Elementary in Lowell, is Flick while Mickey Zeher, a seventh grader at Washington Junior High in Bentonville is Schwartz, both Ralphie's friends and classmates. Hunter Low, a seventh grader at Kirksey Middle School in Rogers is Scut Farkas, a bully.

Esther Jane Alberry, Ralphie's classmate and sometimes girlfriend is Kennedy House, a fourth grader at Northside Elementary in Rogers while Helen Weathers, another classmate is played by Melissa Taylor, a fourth grader at R. E. Baker Elementary in Bentonville.

Adults cast in the show are Kevin Lancaster as Ralph Parker (as an adult), the story's narrator; Brenda Nemec as Mrs. Parker, the mother; Mary Eileen Ameigh as Miss Shields, the teacher; and Jason Nemec as The Old Man.

Tickets may be purchased online at <http://www.rogerslittletheater.org> or by calling the Box Office at 479.631.8988. Performances are Friday & Saturday –December 2nd & 3rd at 7 p.m., Sunday-December 4th at 2 p.m. and Thursday, Friday & Saturday – December 8th, 9th and 10th at 7 p.m. and Sunday – December 11th at 2 p.m.

Ticket Prices for this performance are \$15 for adult and \$7.50 for Children/Students. All seating is General Admission and the doors will open one-half hour before show time.

For the past 26 years, Rogers Little Theater has focused on bringing high quality community theater to Northwest Arkansas. Housed at the historic Victory Theater in downtown Rogers, RLT produces a wide variety of plays, musicals and special events each year, and over 15,000 audience members attended RLT productions in the past two seasons. RLT is located at 116 S. 2nd St in Rogers, AR.

RLT continues to strengthen its connections to our communities through alliances with other arts and nonprofit organizations in Northwest Arkansas. The theater relies on more than 500 volunteers, including approximately 100 volunteer actors. Their donations of time, talents and financial resources bring vitality and strength to RLT and help fulfill its mission to provide live theater for audiences, performers and students, enhance the Rogers Historic District and create a regional arts destination.

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