

Calling all 5th & 6th grade Boys and Girls!

Please join Deep River Parks & Recreation's production of "**Big Bad Musical.**" This is our 4th year of running this very popular local program. Experience live theatre complete with music, costumes, scenery and sets. There are many different roles as actors, singers, dancers and stage crew. Whether you enjoy being on stage or working behind the scenes, there's a spot just for you!

Cost: \$65.00 fee (includes a cast T-shirt)

The Production-

A courtroom has never been more lively and fun than in **The Big Bad Musical!** This smart and wickedly funny musical is great for actors and audiences of any age. The jury — your audience — must decide the outcome of the biggest trial ever in the fairy-tale world! The notorious Big Bad Wolf is being slapped with a class-action lawsuit by storybooks of quirky characters who want to get even: Little Red Riding Hood, her Grandmother, the Three Little Pigs and the Shepherd in charge of the Boy Who Cried Wolf. With Sydney Grimm as the commentator on live Court TV, the two greatest legal minds in the Enchanted Forest — the Evil Stepmother and the Fairy Godmother — clash in a trial that will be remembered forever after. As our wronged fairy tale characters testify, the wolf seems deserving of all that's coming. Yet, even though the infamous Evil Stepmother resents doing pro-bono work on such an obviously futile defense, Mr. Wolf makes a good case for himself. Was he born a criminal, or made one?

Schedule*:

Auditions: (to be held at DRES)

October 17th & 18th from 3:00pm - 4:30pm (Interested students need only attend one day of auditions)

Oct 21st (callbacks): 1:00pm - 3:00pm (Everyone must be available for callbacks)

Rehearsal Schedule: Rehearsals start on November 1st

(Generally, rehearsals will be held at DRES on Tuesdays and Town Hall on Thursdays- and there will be no rehearsals when DRES is not in session).

November & December: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 3:00pm - 5:00pm

January: Monday, Tuesday & Thursdays from 3:00pm - 5:00pm

*Saturday, January 21st - time 10:00 am -4:00 pm (Rehearsal is at the Deep River Town Hall Auditorium)

**** January 30th to February 3rd**:** Monday-Friday 3:00pm - 5:00pm (Rehearsal is at the Deep River Town Hall Auditorium)

Performance Dates (performances will be at the Deep River Town Hall Auditorium)

Saturday, February 4th- 7:00pm

Sunday, February 5th- 11:00am

**Please note: If you child is interested and cannot make every rehearsal, we will do our best to work with the child's schedule)*

**** Mandatory Rehearsals**

Our Staff

Director: Susan Hackett returns as Director of the Parks and Recreation's theater program. She first began performing professionally in children's theatre and has been a bear, a pig, a turtle, an alien, and Groucho Marx to name a few. As an actor/singer in New York she appeared in Off-Broadway revivals of "Company" and "On A Clear Day You Can See Forever," pranced her way through Gilbert & Sullivan operettas, and was an active member of the Carousel Theatre Company. She further honed her musical and comedic skills in regional theater from Maine to Florida to Alaska. Susan co-created and co-produced a cabaret titled "The Blonde Leading The Blonde" which ran for five years in New York and was nominated for a MAC award. She is a graduate of the acting program at Emerson College and now lives with her family in Ivoryton.

Music Director: Jessica Baker Nevins studied classical voice at Conservatorio Cherubini in Florence, Italy and at The Boston Conservatory. She is a lifelong musician and an early childhood music educator. Ms. Nevins is a member of CONCORRA and the Director of Music Together of the CT River Valley. Ms. Nevins has been the music director since the creation of 5th & 6th grade Parks and Recreation musical program. She is passionate about helping young people find their voice.