

# HERSHEY AREA PLAYHOUSE

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### **HERSHEY AREA PLAYHOUSE TO STAGE *INTO THE WOODS JUNIOR***

HERSHEY, Pennsylvania — June 4, 2007 – Hershey Area Playhouse is pleased to announce its production of Stephen Sondheim's musical, *Into the Woods Junior* beginning its run on July 5, 2007. The sophomore production in the new theatre stars an 18-and-under cast of local talent who will sing, dance and entertain anyone who has ever enjoyed a good fairy tale.

*Into the Woods Junior* is a magical adventure that combines the stories of Cinderella, Jack and the Beanstalk, Little Red Riding Hood and Rapunzel with many new twists (and some familiar ones, too). There's action, drama and suspense (and a wicked witch) that will surely capture the imagination of all ages. Director Renee Krizan says, "It's amazing how many talented young people auditioned for *Into the Woods Junior* – and how fortunate we are that they are sharing their gifts within the community for everyone to enjoy."

Actor Dante Sarracino of Hershey is excited to assume his first role in the theatre's new home: "I invited my friends to see it. Next time, they can audition with me!"

Advance tickets are recommended (all seats are reserved) and can be purchased at [www.HersheyAreaPlayhouse.com](http://www.HersheyAreaPlayhouse.com). Prices for adult tickets are \$16 and children 12 and under are \$14. The production runs from July 5 through 8 and 10 through 15. Tuesday through Saturday performances start at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday matinees start at 2:00 p.m. Contact Renee Krizan, Director for *Into the Woods Junior* at 717.951.7591 or [reneekrizan@gretnatheatre.com](mailto:reneekrizan@gretnatheatre.com) with questions.

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