



**By Carolyn Lee**

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Students at Chase County Schools are rehearsing their one-act play, “Something’s Rotten in the State of Denmark” in preparation for a public performance here and the upcoming SPVA contest Nov. 23, also in Imperial.

Drama Coach Jill Bauerle said the play will be offered to the public Tuesday, Nov. 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Prior to the play several actors will give a synopsis of the Shakespeare “Hamlet” play, upon which the one-act is based.

“Murder, mayhem and more murder, insanity, but mostly unpredictable humor is how I would describe this play,” Bauerle said.

Tickets for the public performance are \$2 a person. The play runs 35 minutes and Bauerle said no one will be admitted after the performance begins.

Bauerle said, “ ‘Something’s Rotten’ is an absolutely fun and enjoyable play, and people of all ages will be completely entertained by the humor and the incredible job the cast is doing.”

She continued, “I hope people take advantage of the opportunity to support our local high school students while they give themselves a fun night at the theater.”

The cast includes:

Fortinbras, Josh Richmond; Director, Sabrina Hayes; Tom/Hamlet, Chevy Smith; Fairie, Cassie Carman; Bernardo, Lucas Bauerle; Francisco, Tyler Talbott; Marcello, Tom Sullivan; Horatio, Paul Gaschler; Ghost, Bryan Bischoff; King Claudius, Bryan Bischoff; Laertes, Andrei Rodriguez; Queen Gertrude, Bonnie Cochran; Polonius, Josh Richmond; Ophelia, Kacia Smith; Messenger, Jacqueline Smith; Players, Breanna Carman, Lexee Reichert, Kayla Brown, Malissa Martinez; Old Lady and Voice, April Bernard; Rabbit and Referee, Breanna Carman; Child, Kayla Brown; Attendants, Tyler Talbott, Tom Sullivan, Trevor Fuehrer, Nathan Hinojosa; Extras, Emily Johnston, April Bernard, Sabrina Hayes.

Assistant director is Halee Meyer.

The students will be performing “Something’s Rotten in the State of Denmark” during SPVA competition at CCS Nov. 23. The Imperial cast’s performance will begin about 4 p.m.

Other schools competing here will be Maxwell, North Platte St. Pat’s, Sutherland, Hershey and Perkins County.

Competition begins at 1 p.m. Monday. The SPVA performances are open to the public.

Chase County will compete at the C1-6 district one-act play contest Dec. 2 in Ogallala.



