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La Lumiere School's Drama Department presents....

THE MADWOMAN OF CHAILLOT

La Porte, Ind. – March 8, 2011 – The La Lumiere Drama Department presented *THE MADWOMAN OF CHAILLOT*, an optimistic play conceived by the French dramatist Jean Giraudoux. Written during the German occupation of France in 1943 and first performed in 1945 after Giraudoux's death, the play follows an eccentric woman living in Paris who struggles against the straitlaced authority figures in her life. Its premise is that the "little people" can make a difference and that the pure in heart will inherit the earth – if only for a moment in time. Though Giraudoux's world was devastated by the malignancy of World War II, he did not give up hope that sanity – or at least a benign madness – would ultimately prevail. The La Lumiere production captured this hope and shared it with the audience using a colorful facade of fantasy and satire.

Pictures attached w/captions:



Lydia Rogers of La Porte as *THE MADWOMAN OF CHAILLOT*



Left to right: Cormac Gahan, South Haven, MI; Lydia Rogers, La Porte; Mallory Dumelle, Beverly Shores; Vince Carroll, Grand Beach, MI



Row 1: Mallory Dumelle, Beverly Shores; Caroline Spikner, Benton Harbor, MI; Taylor Schaetzle, Michigan City; Director, Donna Blue Lachman; Cormac Gahan, South Haven, MI; Katarina McGuckin, Long Beach

Row 2: Ashley Neil, La Porte; Joy Ndukwu, Chesterton; Emma Ohlund, La Porte; C.J. Allen, Valparaiso; Lydia Rogers, La Porte; Jessica Hiler, South Bend; Shubhra Murarka, La Porte; Anna Gronemeyer, Michigan City; Saman Sadari, Iran

Row 3: Brett Barnard, Michigan City; Vince Carroll, Grand Beach, MI

About La Lumiere School

La Lumiere is a coeducational lay Catholic boarding and day school with an enrollment of over 200 students that provides a comprehensive college preparatory education for qualified young men and women from a rich diversity of backgrounds. It seeks to develop character, scholarship, and faith, while remaining both independently accredited and faithful to its Catholic heritage. It is situated on a beautiful rural estate, 25 miles west of South Bend, 60 miles east of Chicago, and 8 miles from both La Porte and New Buffalo. La Lumiere School is accredited by the Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS) and the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA).

More information about La Lumiere School can be found at www.lalumiere.org

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