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Coronado School of the Arts presents *Hello Dolly!*

April 30, May 1, 7 and 8 at 7:00 p.m., May 2 at 2:00 p.m.

Coronado, April 15, 2010 -- "And what do you do for a living, Mrs. Levi?" asks Ambrose Kemper in the first scene of *Hello Dolly!*, "Some people paint, some sew...I meddle," replies Dolly. Coronado School of the Arts (CoSA) presents this irresistible story about an irresistible matchmaker and the joy of living on April 30, May 1, 7 and 8 at 7:00 p.m. and on May 2 at 2:00 p.m. in the state-of-the-art Coronado High Performing Arts Center, 650 D Avenue Coronado. Tickets are \$7 to \$15.

Hello Dolly! glitters with happy songs as we follow the adventures of Dolly Levi around New York at the turn of the twentieth century. Dolly's late husband, Ephraim Levi, taught her that "money, like manure, is not worth having unless it is spread around," and this is just Dolly's intention as she sets her sights on marriage to half-a-millionaire Horace Vandergelder. As she pursues her beau, Dolly manages to make matches for a great portion of the cast along the way. The show is full of memorable songs including Put On Your Sunday Clothes, Ribbons Down My Back, Before the Parade Passes By, Elegance, and of course, the showstopper Hello, Dolly!

Francesca Fromang fills Dolly's shoes superbly. Jordan Bunshaft as Horace Vandergelder adds his own personality to the widower who never has a chance. The accomplished musical theatre students from Coronado School of the Arts who round out the cast guarantee a memorable performance for every audience. And, pay special attention to the delicious costumes created by Rosie Masula. Her costume designs add sparkle to every production, and this is no exception. The elegance and charm of these period pieces truly transport both audience and actor to that bustling city that sets the stage for this theatrical confection.

Will Dolly make her match? Come and see. You are guaranteed smiles and fun along the way. To find out about upcoming performances and for tickets to CoSA's production of *Hello Dolly!* visit www.cosafoundation.org.

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Photo caption: Maddy Bersin as Irene, Jordan Bunshaft as Harace, Francesca Fromang as Dolly, Julia Karis as Minnie, and Aidan Ling as Barnaby (not pictured Michael Silberblatt as Conelius)

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