

The Orient Theatre recently announced the following Deerfield resident has been cast in the Chicago production of *Wicked*.

Kate Loprest, of Deerfield, has been cast in the Chicago production of *Wicked* currently running at the Oriental Theatre.

She will be understudying Glinda and Nessarose as well as appearing nightly in the ensemble.

Loprest last appeared in Chicago last summer, appearing in the Ravinia Festival's Sondheim production of *Anyone Can Whistle*. Since then Loprest has lived in New York and returned recently to begin rehearsal for *Wicked*. Loprest graduated last Spring from the University of Michigan's Musical Theatre Department and has been active in North Shore theatre since making her professional debut as Young Violet in Appletree Theatre's 1999 production of *Violet*.

Deerfield residents **Jill Feldman and Melissa Zagon** recently celebrated the success of the fifth-annual LUNgevity Foundation Fall Benefit Nov. 12 at Architectural Artifacts in Chicago.



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Feldman, a board member, co-chaired the benefit, which attracted more than 600 people and raised close to \$300,000. The foundation is the only organization in the country dedicated exclusively to funding

lung cancer research.

James Coleman and Ike Hong, both of Bannockburn, were appointed to Rush North Shore's Medical Center's Board of Trustees at its annual meeting, announced Chairman, Beverley Kroll.

Ike Hong, President of Pacific Construction Services, has lent his expertise to projects ranging from the U.S. Army Reserve Center in Arlington Heights to the Adler Planetarium, Walt Disney World Yacht Clubs at Epcot Center and the Sears Merchandise Group World Headquarters in Hoffman Estates. Hong strongly supports community affairs and has served on the boards for the Adler Planetarium and Astronomy Museum, United Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Chicago and Asian Human Services.

Coleman, is the General Manager at Honeywell Cable Products. Coleman is the past CEO of Coleman Cable Systems and has served as chairman of the board for Genesis Cable Systems. He is active in many professional, philanthropic and civic organizations and is a past president of Children's Brittle Bone Foundation.

The Board of Trustees at Rush North Shore Medical Center serves as the governing board for the 265-bed non-profit teaching hospital. Rush North Shore was just named one of the nation's top cardiovascular hospitals according to Solucient 100 Top Hospitals: Cardiovascular Benchmarks for Success Study.