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THE PUPPETRY LOG

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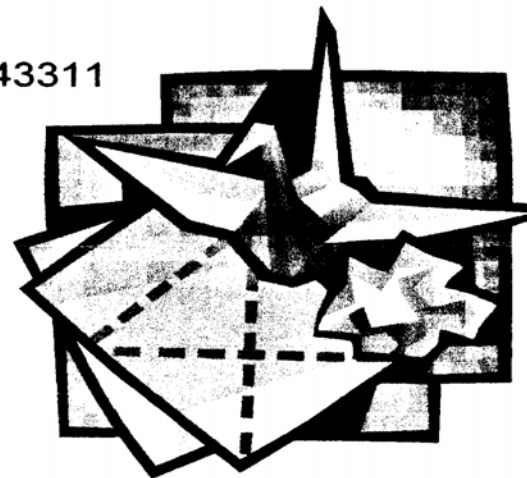
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**NEXT MEETING: SUNDAY,
JUNE 25, 2006 2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
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A DATE TO REMEMBER* * * * *

The Tri Guild Picnic will
be held on July 23 from
1:30-5:00 p.m. at
Brookwood Church.

A potluck. Drinks and paper
products will be provided.

1:00-2 Setting Up

2:00-3 Eating & Fellowship

3:00-4 Potpourri (5 Min.each)

4:00-5 ENTERTAINMENT:

MARK WADE-internationally
known
ventriloquist!!!



DIRECTIONS: Take I-70 to Alum Creek Drive exit and then take Livingston Ave. East. Turn right on Brookwood Road. and park in the lot behind (south of) the church. The Fellowship Hall is just below the sanctuary.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN



OUR JULY PICNIC ENTERTAINER IS MARK WADE

MARK WADE IS A
REAL VEN-
TRILOQUIST. HE
CAN
MAKE PUPPETS
TALK. HE CAN
TEACH AND MAKE
YOU LAUGH TOO.
IN HIS SCHOOL
SHOWS, HE PLAYS
THE DUAL ROLE
OF
ENTERTAINER
AND
EDUCATOR. HE
HAS LEARNED
AND HE
PRACTICES THE
ART OF TEACHING
CHILDREN
THROUGH THE

One of the most common overlooked features in puppetry is audience participation. Many of the art forms used in puppetry blend, wander, or fall over into each other. All too often we fail to use the simple close at hand objects plus our creativity and the audience in our shows. After doing many shows we think we are in the groove when really we are in a rut. Why not try another approach. A new style.

MOP AND BROOM PUPPETRY

We have all seen the giant puppets that are in some shows. Why not incorporate this idea into a show. It is inexpensive and easy to produce. Simply put, tie or screw a 18" to 24" wooden dowel just above the broom or mop head to fit a shirt or t-shirt around it. Tie the mop into any hairdo that you might need. A mop can be draped on top of a



MARK WADE CONTINUED:

use of comedy, ventriloquism and magic.

The kidshow pro is only part of the picture. In addition to his work in schools, Mark has performed as MC and opening act for some of the top names in country music - Garth Brooks, Reba McIntire, Crystal Gayle, Loretta Lynne, Louise Mandrell, Tom T. Hall, and more - at state and county fairs across the country. And he's opened for many other acts, including Marie Osman, Jan and Dean, the original Herman's Hermits, and Chubby Checker.

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broom head. In a box you will have felt pieces for ears, eyes, nose, and mouths. You could use a neck tie, drape cloth for more customs. Any story can be presented by these mop puppets. Think of the advantages.

1. The cost for an entire show is low,
2. The puppets are light weight. Children can operate them,
3. No strings, no rods, no stage, no lights unless you want them for special effects.
4. The audience (children or adults) create their own figures by attaching the face parts and clothes. (Each one is told what their character is.),
5. No one will need to read or memorize their parts because you have a reader read the story with great expression into a mike.,
6. The entire audience is involved because they will make all of the sound effects when directed by cue cards.
7. No backdrops - several audience members hold up signs (can be

In spite of the demand he's in as an opening act, his favorite performances are still school and library programs, as he concentrates his efforts on educating children through ventriloquism and magic. His success is due to hard work and professionalism and a love for people, especially children.

Sure, his education background doesn't hurt. He taught at an elementary school for several years. But the fact that he's a magic man in his own right makes children love him. He's also written a new book called "Kid Show - Ventriloquism". He's been a friend of Karen Banks for a number of years when she would call him to do shows for the schools she taught in and for Church Halloween parties.

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printed off a computer) telling where the action takes place, such as "Cabin Hide Out", "Happy Valley" or what you want. 8. As the story is being told the mop and broom puppeteers act out the story as they hear what their character is doing. 9. A vent figure or a clown could be the story teller.

Clean up your act and try something new. Don't forget July 23 at 130 to 5:00 p.m., our Tri Guild Picnic at Brookwood Church. Plan to be there - GREAT FOOD - GREAT FUN - GREAT FELLOWSHIP and our special feature --- The Fabulous Ventriloquist MARK WADE and friends!

Just -Stringing-Along Dave Greenbaum

MINUTES OF THE COLUMBUS PUPPETRY GUILD MAY 2006

The meeting was held on May 21, 2006 at Brookwood Presbyterian Church. Eleven members were present.

Dave started the meeting by passing out the new membership list Rita put together. Dave said to let Rita or him know if there were any corrections. The two corrections to be noted were: Janice McDonald and David Greenbaum. Their corrections are noted on the first page of this newsletter. Also Beth Kattelman added her e-mail address is kattelman.1@osu.edu

The minutes of the previous Guild meeting were accepted. The date that was given for the annual picnic at Shirley Green's house was to be checked. Frank will talk

to Shirley to make sure of the plans.

Several indicated they liked the newsletter that Karen Banks had done for April. Other than some misspelled words and a sentence left out it was deemed pretty good.

The Treasury report was given by Frank Banks due to Rita coming in later in the meeting.

The Tri Guild Picnic was discussed. It was decided to plan for a laid back affair. It is to include a potpourri and a flea market. It will be held at Brookwood Church.

The event will start at 1:30 p.m. and we'll

 The minutes continued....

eat at 2:00. It will be a potluck. The drinks and paper products will be furnished. Beulah Green baum, Rita Fullen and Karen Banks are the committee members who are planning the event.

The entertainment will be provided by Mark Wade. A 45 minute presentation will be given. Someone has stepped up to pay half of the amount for this performance. The other half will be paid by the Guild. Frank made a motion to have Mark Wade perform and to accept the offer of the anonymous donor of funds for this outstanding performer. The total cost of Mark's performance is \$250.

Brian Windsor gave us the new web site for the Columbus Puppetry Guild: cpg.brianwindsor.com

It was suggested that a membership form be added to our web site keeping it very simple.

For new business, Frank brought up several concerns about our Guild. He said the two basic complaints were 1. the business meetings were too long. and 2. there was a lack of educational workshops. Frank also said he really would like some help in getting workshops and educational speakers lined up. He's open to

suggestions and ideas about such programs from all Guild members.

Beth said that all we have to do is sign the papers to get the archive opened to receive our historical information. Dorothy Bauer has brought in more historical articles that deal with the beginnings of our Guild.

Dave brought up an idea that he got from an old magazine called "Laugh Makers" given to him from Dorothy. He found a puppet show called "Dirty Dan Steals Christmas". He's willing to make the necessary fold-up theater needed for a hanpuppet show of about 20 min. Rita thinks the Arlington Library could be used again if she contacts Dee. We'll have to write up a script together. Frank made a motion to accept the idea and Beth Kattelman seconded it.

The Guild meeting was ended folowed by a presentation by Brian Windsor on computer animation, and the meeting of the Executive Board. Submitted by Karen Banks

BITS AND PIECES:



NOTE:

Our Guild will NOT meet in August. Our Guild meeting in September will be held at Shirley Green's home from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, the 17th. Shirley lives in Columbus at 1650 Sundridge Drive.

P OF A MEMBERS

You may be aware that PofA set up the option for on-line membership renewals for the first time this year. They are happy to report that approx. 350 memberships were renewed over the internet with postage savings to the organization of \$135. The mailing address has changed PofA Membership Office
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Blue Hill, ME 04614
membership@puppeters.org
The phone # of the Membership Office is:
888-568-6235

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL FESTIVAL '06

CELEBRATE THE PUPPET July 27 - 30 2006

(With support of P of A's Great Plains Region)

It will be held at the Fanshawe College, London, Ontario, Canada

Ronnie Burkett, Canada's foremost puppeteer is giving the keynote presentation at the Friday morning breakfast session. This in itself is worth the price of admission. Also fabulous performances of the: PUPPETMONGERS-table top puppet show, JOIN HANDS PUPPETEERS-hand and rod show, TIM GOSLEY AND CO.- a shadow show of the classic "The Musicians of Bremen", LARRY FRISCH MARIONETTES-marionette variety show and LARRY HUNT- a mask and movement show. There will also be wonderful workshops to attend. There's much more information on their web site at www.puppetwerx.ca

One of the workshops will be MAKING A MOVING MOUTH HAND PUPPET with Nick Barone. And another performance to look forward to is David Simnpich Marionettes performing PILGRIM'S PROGRESS.

Also check out the website
<http://puppetfestival.org/>

