THE PUPPETRY LOG

COLUMBUS PUPPETRY GUILD December 2009

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Next Events:

December 13, 2-5 p.m. Puppetry techniques. Finish building hand puppets.

January 17, 2-5 p.m. Practice plays. Build shark or music note puppet using foam forming technique.

February 14, 2-5 p.m. Practice plays. Finish building shark or music note puppet using foam forming technique. Intro to shadow puppetry.

Membership dues.

If you have not already done so, please bring your check to the December meeting or send a check made out to the Columbus Puppetry Guild to our treasurer. Dues: First Year \$7.50; Junior (ages 6-17) \$5.00; Adult \$15.00; Family \$25.00

Minutes from November 15 Meeting

Attendance: Dave, Beulah, Richard, Janice, Dorothy, Connie, Jean, Chelsea, Sue, Michael, Meshach, Jessica, Matthew and son, guests Pam and Katherine.

Dave, Dorothy, and Sue talked about their good time at the Pokagon Conference in Indiana. They said the shows were wonderful and the workshops were informative. There were probably about 100 people in attendance. Dave did a workshop on Alumilite. Next year, our guild is in charge of workshops. At the Pokagon President's Meeting, it was voted to NOT make Potlatch or Pokagon a Regional Meeting of the Puppeteers of America. They also voted to raise the registration fee from \$30 to \$35.

Elections

Next we held elections. Michael did the count of the ballots. Janice was voted president, Matthew was voted vice president, Jessica was voted secretary, and Beulah was voted treasurer.

Janice passed out the Guild Plan for the year, the Membership list (a revised copy is included with this newsletter), and a list of materials and costs for puppet-making. Janice asked if the December meeting could be changed to December 13 so that it would not be so close to Christmas. Dave and Richard mentioned that in the past we have had potlucks and white-elephant gift exchanges in December. We decided on a compromise of decadent desserts and Christmas music so that we could get our puppets finished. We voted to have the meeting the 2nd Sunday on December 13.

Michael invited people to his house on the first Saturday of December. They host a storytellers Christmas party and we are welcome to attend and/or tell a story. This party usually goes from about 4 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Jessica motioned to end the meeting. Matthew seconded.

Janice handed out some sample scripts from the book One-Person Puppetry Streamlined & Simplified: With 38 Folktale Scripts by Yvonne Amar Frey. ALA, 2005 for people to practice reading through and practice moving their hands with their speech.

We then went to the workroom and made the mouths for the puppets.

There probably will not be a January newsletter so note the date of January 17 as the next meeting.







Puppet making - Forming foam bodies and stuffing arms