

THE PUPPETRY LOG

COLUMBUS PUPPETRY GUILD October 2009

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Next Meetings:

October 18. 2-5 p.m. – Dorothy Bauer’s House. Meeting. Begin working on building hand puppets.

November 15, 2-5 p.m. Work on building hand puppets.

December 20 (tentative), 2-5 p.m. Finish building hand puppets.

Minutes from Sept. 20 Meeting at Richard’s Marionette Barn.

Attendance: Dave and Beulah, Richard, Matthew, Janice, Connie, Frank, Shirley, Jean, Chelsea, Jessica

Janice told about our performance of Fractured Fairy Tales at the Ohio State Fair on August 1 and at the Riverside Children’s Center on August 11. Janice, Matthew, Justin and Jesus performed for these shows. It was especially fun at the Riverside Children’s Center as the kids really sounded like they were enjoying the performance.

Matthew proposed that the monies the guild received from the Riverside Children’s Center go toward supplies for the puppet-making workshop that Janice will be doing for the October and November guild meetings. Janice agreed. Nobody disagreed so idea passed.

Membership dues are due.

Please bring your check to the September or October 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



Performance at the Fair

Janice showed some of her puppets that she made using the pattern from One Way Street. The plan is for everyone attending both the October AND November meetings to make and take a puppet. There may be a cost of up to \$15 per puppet for materials. Janice will be acquiring the materials and sewing bodies in preparation for these workshops.

One Way Street will be having their annual Fall conference October 16-17 at the Grove City Church of the Nazarene. The individual cost of the conference is \$32 in advance or \$38 at the door. Check out www.onewaystreet.com for more information. Dave mentioned that he announced about our guild at a One Way Street conference but doesn't know if he is going this year yet.

Janice mentioned that Kevin Frisch will be performing Peter Pan at the Abbey Theatre in Dublin on October 17 at 11:00 a.m.

Dave talked about the Regional conference at Pokagon State Park which is always the first weekend of November (Nov. 6-8). He thought that typically about 100 people attend from Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio. He says it is a great opportunity to learn about puppetry and network with other puppeteers.

Frank asked if we will be doing a Christmas show this year. He said he liked our Dangerous Dan Steals Christmas show and that the kids really got into it. It would require a new set as Dave no longer wants to put up the huge stage.

The Jungle Book

Saturday, Oct 17
11a.m.

Abbey Theatre
5600 Post Rd.,
Dublin Ohio
(614) 410-4550



Frisch Marionettes will present Rudyard Kipling's classic story with beautiful puppets that will amaze you with their versatility. Recommended for ages 6 and up
Tickets: \$7 adults; \$5 children and seniors

We had a short discussion about the intended goal of guild productions – to bring in money or to interest more people in our guild. We then talked about where to do a show. Jesse mentioned the possibility of performing at the Drake Theatre at OSU if we wanted to bring students in. It was mentioned that we could also perform at childcare centers.

Matthew stated that we need to decide on our goal for the year and what we want to have happen.

Next, the idea of getting sponsors to sponsor productions was mentioned such as what Pendragon Puppets in Indiana and Madcap Puppets in Cincinnati do.

Next our new members introduced themselves: Jeanne and her daughter Chelsea thought puppets were something they could do together. Jessica is a third year theatre major at OSU.

Matthew mentioned that he is currently working on Haunted Hydro, a haunted factory in Fremont, Ohio.

Dave said at our October meeting, we will need to take nominations for the position of president and treasurer, to be voted upon at the November meeting.

Richard motioned to adjourn. Matthew seconded.

Dave then demonstrated how he casts molds with Alumilite.

As You Like It

Beth Kattelman co-directed the Shakespeare play "As You Like It" at the Schiller Park Amphitheatre Thursdays-Sundays from August 6 – September 6. She made about 15 life-sized puppets for the performance thus the show had half live actors and half puppets. The performance was well done and the puppets seemed to make the play more fun.



A scene from "As You Like It"