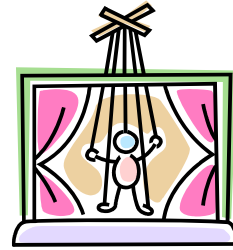


THE PUPPETRY LOG

COLUMBUS PUPPETRY GUILD May 2008

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Next Meetings:

May 18. 2-5 p.m. Richard McCleod's
Marionette Barn.

Program: Making puppet bodies.

August 9. 1-2 p.m. – Puppet Show for Day of
Puppetry at the Ohio State Fair. Cox Fine Arts
Building Theatre.

August 17 (tentative). Potluck. TBA.

Minutes from April 20, 2008 Meeting:

Attendance: Frank Banks, Dorothy Bauer, Rita Fullen, Dave and Beulah Greenbaum, Connie Kirk, Janice McDonald, Richard McLeod, Mark Myers.

Thank you Dorothy Bauer for hosting our meeting again.

Frank and Rita accepted the Minutes of the last meeting as written in the April newsletter.

We briefly discussed whether we would want to change the week, day and times of meetings in order for more members to attend. Those in attendance are all retired except Janice. In general, we thought the third Sunday of the month was as good as anytime unless we hear otherwise.

Richard mentioned that he has most of the parts cut out for making marionettes at his marionette barn in May. We appreciate him doing this.

Dorothy mentioned that Taylor Mason has a puppet show on TV called "Taylor's Attic" on Saturdays at 4:00. It is a half hour show on Channel 51.

Frank won't be at next meeting as he has organized a special speaker at his church.

For the Ohio State Fair show, Frank submitted a request for August 2 with an alternate date being August 9. (We received the August 9 date.) Frank told them we would need time to set up and tear down. (As far as we know, we have an hour before and after if we need.) Dave, Richard, and Janice will need passes for their vehicles. Tentative schedule: Janice will perform two 10-15-minute shows (Fisherman and his Wife, Little Red Riding Hood, and maybe The Johnny-Cake), Richard will perform

a ventriloquist act for about 10 minutes, and Dave will do a magic and shadow puppet show for about 12 minutes. Janice will bring the guild display board and membership flyers and a stand to put them on.

Dave passed around a newsletter from the Detroit Puppeteers Guild and said we should be sending our newsletters to them too.

Rita went to the Grandview Library to see about the possibility of doing a Christmas show there. She said the room looked good and was about 30' by 60' and seats about 100-125 (with kids on the floor and adults in chairs). She set up the date and time of Saturday December 13, 11 a.m. with an alternate date of Saturday December 20, 11 a.m. Thank you, Rita, for doing this preliminary step. We discussed whether we had enough people to do a *Dangerous Dan Steals Christmas* show and were wondering if Frank could ask Mike Williams to be Santa, as that part has to memorize lines and wear a Santa suit. Richard, Janice, Dave, Beulah, and Frank said they would do it. Dave said he would call the Grandview Library to see if they would be willing to pay something for the guild's efforts as it requires 6 people, a big trailer, and time. (They agreed to \$150.)

Dave told us that all officers of our guild are supposed to be members of the national puppetry guild.



Alupalite consists of 2 liquids



Mixing the 2 liquids



The mold needs to be sprayed with a release spray before pouring the Alupalite.



Heads sculpted, cast, and painted by Beulah



Dave shakes the mold after pouring the Alupalite in.

No one from our guild is going to the regional meeting in Indiana in June.

New Business:

This year, offices are open for Vice President and Treasurer. The secretary job is to be appointed by the president since Brian left. Elections will be held at the May meeting. The nominating committee consists of Beulah, Frank, and Mark. The nominating committee nominated Richard for Vice President and Janice for Treasurer. Anyone else interested in these positions may make it known before the elections during the May meeting.

Next year's general theme for meetings will be "Putting Together a Show."

Richard motioned to adjourn the meeting.

During our casting session this meeting, Dave mixed the Alupalite casting liquid, poured it in our molds which were sprayed with a release film (Ease Release 200), and shook it to spread it around before it hardened in a few minutes. Dave said Alupalite can be ordered through him but doesn't keep forever – it may keep a year if kept in the refrigerator. Dave said the liquid rubber that we painted on the heads, or liquid latex, can be obtained through a school supply store or direct.