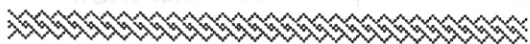


# The ATLANTA S. E. PUPPETRY GUILD NEWS



## *From the President.....*

Greetings and welcome to 1999! The party has only started! WOW! If you all have been as busy as I have since the beginning of the year there are some mighty tired people out there! But on the up side of that is that a lot is getting accomplished. Since the festival was such a great success we'll have a hard time beating last year but I feel like this could be our best year yet. Betsy Stark has some great ideas for our meetings. You won't want to miss any! Invite a friend to come, they will be so impressed they will want to become a member too!

See YOU there,

## GUILD MEETING DATES;

March 14, 4:00- 7:00 at Betsy and Walter Stark's home.  
The workshop will be by Gregg Wallace & Lee Bryan on directing puppet plays.

June 6, 4:00- 7:00 {no place scheduled yet.....but  
the workshop will be on inanimate objects as puppets. More info to come.

September 12, 4:00- 7:00 {would you like to host?

December 5, 4:00- 7:00 {call any officer to offer!

## MEETING NOTES:

- On Jan. 28 the officers met at Betsy Stark's home.
- We set the dates for the 1999 meetings. (see above)
- National Day of Puppetry:

We will all check out different places to hold a performance and possibly a workshop. Libraries and performing arts centers were mentioned as good candidates. It may be too short notice to pull it off this year since some places want advance bookings but we will have

the information for next year. Marcia Cohen is working on a poster that could be distributed by guild members.

- Each officer is working on a detailed job description of what their duties are.
- It was discussed that we should have an annual fund raiser specifically to send a representative to the P of A National Festivals. Bake and yard sales were mentioned.
- It was decided that the president could ask for reimbursement of gas, food and lodging to go to the annual S. E. Leadership Retreat as long as the funds were available and that the amounts were resonable and customary.

## **MORE MEETING NOTES:**

- **The S.E. Leadership meeting:**  
It was held at the Columbia Marionette Theater in Columbia S. C. and hosted by Allie Scollon. After we updated everyone on our local guilds we dicussed the regional festival for 2000 with Jim Hammond. At that time it was still a proposal but I just heard that its official...Puppet Festival of the Americas 2000 in sunny Ft. Lauderdale, Florida! Congratulations Jim!! (Who, by the way, is a member in good standing of the A.S.P.G. as well as the President of the Gold Coast Guild.) We adjourned for a rollicking rendition of Pinocchio performed by the Columbia Marionette Theater Puppeteers to a full house and were treated to a magnificent dinner by our wonderful hosts, the Scollons. A full report is available upon request to your president.

## **WELCOME NEW OFFICERS!**

- **BETSY STARK - VICE PRESIDENT 404-315-6161**  
In charge of programing.
- **EVY BERMAN - SECRETARY 770-321-1315**
- **TIM KOELLER - TREASURER 770-388-0302**

 **COMING SOON !!!**

You heard it hear first! The Summer festival at the Center for Puppetry Arts is.....

**PETER RABBIT** by John McDonough's  
Pumpnickel Puppets, June 14-19

**AESOP'S FABLES** by David Stephens'  
P.N.C. Productions June 21- July 3

**THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES**  
by Grey Seal Puppets' Drew Allison,  
July 5-17

**BINGO THE CIRCUS DOG**  
by Paul Vincent-Davis' Puppet Arts  
July 19-31

**PINOCCHIO** by National Marionette Theater,  
David Syrotiak, August 2-21

And for all members in good standing...(i.e.: dues paid)... a special treat! There will be a performance at the Center of **Princess Soup** by a troupe from the Netherlands on May 14 at 8:00 pm. If you have paid your guild dues you may see this show for **FREE**. Additional tickets will be \$5.00. Call Susan Rinney at 404-873-3089 ext. 130 for reservations.

THANKS TO ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR GUILD DUES FOR 1999:

VINCE ANTHONY, EVY BERMAN, ANDY BREMER & BILL PRICE, BILL & PEGG CALLAHAN, MARCIA COHEN, KENNETH GREEN, JIM

KATHY KOELLER, BOB NATHANSON, LEE BRYAN, VIRGINIA  
PETERSEN, ALICE RHODES, LISA RHODES, BETSY & WALTER  
STARK AND ALAN SUGAR.

If your name is not on this list and you have paid your  
dues for 1999 please contact the treasurer immediately!  
You should have received a membership card. Please  
let Tim or Susan know if you have not received yours  
when you paid. If you have not paid for 1999 yet please  
contact the treasurer immediately!

***Please contact Susan Kinney at 770-934-3947 if  
you have any NEWS for the next newsletter or  
else I'll be calling YOU!***