

Great Lakes Region Potlatch Update

It's hard to believe, but **Potlatch 2010** is only two weeks away. November 5, 6, and 7 will be here before you know it! Before you head off to Pokagon State Park in Angola, IN, I want to remind you of a few things.

- **Registration:** Remember, the bargain registration fee of \$40.00 for P of A members or Regional guild members is available only by pre-registration (the form is included in this PDF file). **Please register ASAP if you have not already done so.** Fred Sauer must receive your registration no later than **November 3**. Registration at the door is \$50.00. Potlatch registration will begin late Friday afternoon, but feel free come early to enjoy the Inn and the grounds.
- **Hotel registration** was due October 5. A few rooms may still be available. Call the Inn at 1-877-563-4371 ASAP for more information. Check-in time for the hotel is 3:00 p.m. Several other lodging options are available in Angola.
- **The Cincinnati Guild** is in charge of this year's ice breaker: wearable puppet art. You still have time to create something to wear in the fashion show, with the winners to be auctioned off (the art, not the actual winning designer).
- **The Detroit Guild** will present a Scotch auction, regular auction, and silent auction on Friday evening. Bring good quality puppets, puppet books, posters, fabric, or any good quality puppet items to be auctioned--we can't do this without you! Prepare yourself for a treat--**and bring a roll of dimes!** Here's how a Scotch auction works: An item is introduced for auction and a timer is set. The first bidder calls out, "Ten cents!" and drops a dime into a cup. The second bidder calls out "Twenty cents!" and drops ONE dime into a cup, and so on. The last person to bid before the timer sounds wins the item and ALL those dimes are collected from the various bidders and go into the kitty. You may get a great item for as little as a dime!
- **The Detroit Guild** has arranged a great line-up of performances. At press time the scheduled performances are:

Brad Lowe's Fantasy E-Fex Puppets in *The Magic Fish*.

Dave Herzog's Marionettes in *Captain Cranky and His Crew: A Pirate Adventure*.

Heidi Rugg's Barefoot Puppets in *Trickster Tales*.

Bob Brown Puppets in *Second Hand Stars*.

Nancy Sander's Puppets with Pizzazz in *Rumpelstiltskin*.

The James Rose Puppets in *Punch and Judy*.

- **The Puppet Trading Post** will be Saturday afternoon. You may bring anything puppet-related you wish to sell, and all proceeds go to you! Sellers may start set up at the conclusion of the morning workshop session.
- **Workshops** at press time are:

Bob Brown: Creating professional marionettes from stuffed toys
Janice McDonald: Alumalite Casting
Peggy Melchior Pearson: Paper Puppets
Anne Newman: Pool Noodle Puppets
Steve Plunkett: Intermediate hand puppet manipulation
Anne Poppe: Selling on eBay
Fred Putz: Build your own dimmer. (\$25.00 materials fee)
David Quesal: Beginning hand puppet manipulation
Joseph Emory: Working with white noise and music in puppet productions
- **Pot Pourrie** will be on Saturday evening. Bring your **FIVE MINUTE** piece to perform. We will have a time keeper so keep it within **FIVE MINUTES**. Did we mention everyone gets five minutes? Please present only squeaky-clean material-- this is a family event.

Speaking of family events, the Inn has plenty of activities for families including an indoor pool, game room, library, big screen television center, hiking trails, and a gift shop.

Remember to check the weather before you pack. Weather during Potlatch time can be changeable: in years past we have arrived in bright sunshine and departed in snow.

If you have any other questions or concerns please contact Dave Herzog by telephone (773-878-7819 or 773-315-7677) or drop me an email (dhpuppet@aol.com).

I look forward to seeing you in Angola!

Sincerely,

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