

June 11, 2008

Calling all past Kid's Co. NW performers and families!

I can hardly wait to find out what all of you have been up to since Kid's Co. I want to hear about your adventures, happy and sad, and to tell you all about my two grandchildren!

This once-in-a-lifetime event will be a happy, fun-filled occasion. I'll pull out all of the old photos, notes, videos and music. I have so many fond memories of all of you. Kid's Co. has been a special part of my life for many years now. I feel truly blessed for (almost) all the time I've spent with you. (The only time I question is the time spent saying, "Will you please stop talking!" or, "Smile, you have to smile while you sing!")

I have also been blessed with the very best co-directors; all dedicated, talented and fun. I know they are excited to catch up with you, too. And we mustn't forget your parents who paid your tuition, drove you around town and saw your shows over and over and over again! We have a get-together planned for them as well.

So fill out the following registration packet and send it back to me ASAP. If you really want to get creative write a poem or compose a song for Kid's Co.—I've always wanted a theme song. Not all of you will be able to attend all of the activities. No problem, do what you can—give us an update or tell a Kid's Co. story for the reunion Memory Booklet. Just check in.

Here are some topics to get you thinking; do you remember: *The 'Elevator Fiasco' ... the 'Dancing Hamburgers' (used in two shows) ... the old gentleman we call 'Santa Claus' ... the 'Lonely Little Petunia' ... the storybook character who slid down the laundry shoot ... the 'Dead ponies' ... which Kid's Co. had a prayer circle before they performed (the hardest to control group ever) ... the holiday show when a dad filled in for the lead character ... the first snowfall during two different shows ... who tore down an embankment and jumped a fence to get to a show ... the show when Carolyn was fenced in by the Gay pride parade and was very late ... which member stood by the back door of NWCT in a gorilla suit and greeted unsuspecting wedding guests on their way to a reception ... the show where a pretty redhead said, "It is so still," as the zoo train chugged loudly by?*

No? Then what *do* you remember? Send me your information, memories and also your fun ideas for reunion activities. We are suggesting a participation fee of \$25 for the event. This will help to cover food, beverages and room rentals. If this is a hardship for you let me know; above all else we want you to attend.

Much love and really looking forward to seeing you,

Carolyn

Please mail or email reunion registration to:

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A BLAST FROM THE PAST!

Northwest Children's Theater and School Kids Company NW 15-Year Reunion July 25, 26, 27, 2008

This registration packet contains five sections: Reunion Registration, Agenda & Activities, Kid's Co. Memory Booklet, Kid's Co. Directors & Assistants and Just for Parents.

REUNION REGISTRATION

Please send your information even if you can't attend. We want to know about you. A recent \$500 donation means we've reduce the registration fee to \$25 to help cover food, beverages, room rental, etc. If you can't pay the fee we still want you to come. *This is all about you!*

Name _____

Today's date _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

I plan to attend on July 25 ___ 26 ___ 27 ___ I am not able to attend ___

_____ I would like to attend but need fee waiver

_____ I would like to order a Kid's Co. Memory Booklet (add \$5)

_____ I would like to order a Reunion T-Shirt (add \$10) S M L XL XXL (adult sizes, circle one)

_____ I would like to order a Kid's Co. Reunion DVD/Video (add \$20)

Payment Method

_____ Check (payable to NWCT) Total enclosed: \$ _____

_____ Credit Card Visa MC Disc Amex (circle one)

Card number: _____ Expiration date: _____

Signature: _____

___ I would like to help with the reunion. Please contact me!

___ I have memorabilia to share. ___ I will get it to you by June 30. ___ I will bring it to the reunion.

___ I would like to participate in the reunion show on Sunday, July 27 at 7 p.m.

AGENDA AND ACTIVITIES

Please send us your ideas. We are still planning. Following is just an outline. Beverages served to Kid's Co. members will be non-alcoholic. (We can't promise about the Parent Party!)

Friday, July 25, 7 - 10 p.m.

Open house meet and greet!

Play: 'Name That Kid's Co.', 'Who Are You Anyway?', 'Did I Really Sing That Song?'

'Why Did You Make Me Wear That Costume', 'Remember when?'

Hors d'oeuvres, beverages

Saturday, July 26, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Reminiscing, Reunion Booklets and T-shirts

Sing, dance, watch old performance videos, recreate old numbers, make silly speeches, spotlight recent troupes, yuck it up!

Lunch, beverages

Sunday, July 27, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Rehearse for evening show

Solos, duets, dance, instrumentals, scenes, group numbers, speeches, whatever!

Brunch, beverages

Parent's Party 5:30-7 p.m.

Kid's Co all star Alumni Show! 7 p.m.

THE KID'S CO. MEMORY BOOKLET

Feel free to send the following info in any form you choose. Fill out the form, write a poem or free-associate. It's not a test. The questions and lines are here to get you started. So start already!

PAST

One word that best describes your Kid's Co. experience: _____

Shows you were in: _____

Your favorite show: _____

Your favorite number(s): _____

My best memory: _____

My funniest or strangest memory: _____

Being in Kid's Co. inspired me to: _____

PRESENT

School I attend: _____

Graduation year: _____ Major/special interest: _____

Now attending the 'School of Life' (working at): _____

Accomplishments: _____

I am single: _____ Married: _____ My spouse's name: _____

Children? Names/ages: _____

FUTURE

Goals/plans: _____

Dreams: _____

KID'S CO. DIRECTORS AND ASSISTANTS

This section is for members, instructors or assistants:

Sarah Jane Hardy Jeanette Harris Brenna Sage Priscilla Lightbourne Carolyn Newsom
 Kathy Philpot Kelly Stewart Rebecca Sanborne Ez Weiss

Athena Patterson Jacki Hess Joel Walker Cara Gabrielson Michael Miersma
 Jonathan Halldorson Peter Buonincontro

Director/assistant/student memories: _____

Message for your directors/assistants/students: _____

JUST FOR PARENTS

Name _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Your Kid's Co. members _____

_____ I will attend the *free* Parent Party on Sunday, July 27, from 5:30 – 7 p.m.

_____ I would like to help with the reunion! Please contact me.

Parent memories/comments: _____

SEE YOU IN JULY!

NORTHWEST~
CHILDRENS
THEATER and
~SCHOOL