The Horn Book

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The American Guild of Horn Workers

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1997 Annual Meeting & Symposium, Feb. 28- March 2

Plans for our annual meeting in Columbus, Ohio, are complete. This will be held at the Ohio Historical Society's magnificent facility; bring the family to see their museum and historical village. A $4.00 admission for adults covers their entire facility which includes a fine library and gift shop. The OHS is located immediately on Interstate 71 at 17th Avenue (Exit 111) with plenty of parking. It is only a few miles to the Columbus International Airport.

Due to fire code, our meeting and exhibit rooms are limited to 100 persons- they strictly enforce these occupancy limits as required by law. Thus far we only have about 25 registrants so there are plenty of spaces left. We will NOT send out confirmations of registration! Alas, this date conflicts with a number of major events: Noblesville Gun Show, Pottstown Gun Show and K.R.A. Board of Directors meeting.

Immediately across 17th Avenue is the Day's Inn, the only close lodging. If you haven't made reservations already, it is too late- they are full (your editor didn't get a room there, either!).

Program

All events to be held at the Ohio Historical Society conference rooms. Park in their huge parking lot and walk into the ground floor entrance; the meeting

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room (classrooms 1 and 2) will be straight ahead. Be sure to bring horn objects to display: your own work, period examples, raw horns to sell, things to trade or sell- this is a major contribution to everyone's learning so bring something!

Friday night, February 28th

6:00 to 9:00 PM registration table open, trade & display tables set up

Saturday, March 1st

9:00am	Welcome from your president
9:30	Shelby Gallien: "The Tansel family"
10:30	Roland Cadle: "Staining horns the Tansel way"
11:00	Russ Young: "How to examine horns- x-rays to ultraviolet light"
12:00	Lunch break- you are on your own for lunch
	<<<Afternoon Demonstrations>>>
1:30pm	Roland Cadle: "Making lanthorne panes"
2:30	The Williamsburg Craftsmen: "Making a pressed horn flask"
4:00	Erv Tschanz: "The art of horn turning"
5:00	Meeting Rooms close for the night

Sunday, March 2nd

9:00am	Lee Larkin: "John Busch and his horns"
10:00	Annual Business Meeting
	Vote on expanded constitution
	Elect officers for 1997
12:00	Meeting adjourns- we must be out promptly!!!!!

The 1996 Conference Video

A limited number of the four video sets are still available; when these are sold, that's all! The cost is prohibitive to have them reproduced in smaller numbers, alas. You may order the four tapes, which cover all the speakers and their presentations, for only $87.50 (U.S. funds only), postage and handling included, from:

Rev. Roland Cadle
Route 1, Box 152G
Waynesburg, PA 15370
(412) 852-1094

Due to the poor response to these videos, we will NOT offer a tape of the 1997 conference- bring your own camera and tape recorders if you wish a record of these expert talks!

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

NAME_____ Date_____
Business Name_____
Address_____
City_____ State_____ Zip Code_____
telephone: home_____ work_____
Do you wish to be listed in a directory for members only? Yes No

Dues for 1997 $15.00 (U.S. funds only)
Registration for Annual Meeting $25.00
Amount Enclosed $_____ ($15 or $40)
Make checks payable to: The Honourable Company of Horners
Mail this page (or a Xerox copy) with payment to:

Lee Larkin, Vice President
Honourable Company of Horners
8400 Atherton #1 South
St. Louis, MO 63130

NOTE: This is your last issue of The Horn Book if you have not paid your 1997 dues!!!!!!!

Mansker's Station Colonial Trade Fair

Mansker's was almost a non-event this year; they sent out a letter to last year's participants on January 8th saying that it was canceled. Further hard work by Steve Marshall appears to have it back on track again. Folks, this is one of the premier events in the country and a very strong sales event for many of our horners and we nearly lost it.

Steve Marshall, the over worked and under paid genius who invented this trade fair, needs your support. The Goodlettsville political powers that be seem to find little or no value in this spectacular event; if we don't show our support, there may never be another Mansker's trade fair. Send a brief letter to:

Steve Marshall, Site Supervisor
Historic Mansker's Station
P.O. Box 1779
Goodlettsville, TN 37070

Living History Conference

Brother Erv Tschanz sends information about an important conference that he and Brother Cadle will attend. On April 5th and 6th, there will be the Living History Congress and 18th Century Women's Working Dress Symposium at the University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware. Attention horners--- They are actively seeking historically correct vendors to display & sell items! Last year this drew over 300 people and the bookstore at Winterthur (where it was held) sold over $10,000 *per day* of books. Listen here is a great potential market for you--- and as we all know in the Guild, a fine powder horn is the best dress accessory!

You would be a "commercial" exhibitor and their tables are a very reasonable $35.00 for 30 x 96". They are very strict about correctness of items and so this is a fine venue to show case your artistry & craft among other quality 18th century displays. You must send full payment by March 15th!!!!!

For further information, contact:

K. Tidy
1102 Hopewell Road
Oxford, PA 19363

SOME OF THE SPEAKERS AT THE '97 CONFERENCE:
Roland Cadle will show how to stain horn & make panes
Erv Tschanz will demonstrate lathe turning cups and rings
The Williamsburg gunmakers will create a pressed flask