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**THE CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS**

**PRESENTS  
ALICE IN WONDERLAND**



October 16, 1999

Governors State University  
One University Parkway  
University Park, Illinois 60466

# AlphaBet Soup Productions

Communication Arts, Speech, Theatre Education, Inc.

AlphaBet Soup Productions is a non for profit Children's Theatre Company, bringing their special brand of Fairy Tale Classics to the stage. Their troupe of Chicagoland adult actor's put a modern day twist to the familiar stories with lots of audience participation. Age range is from pre-k to 5th grade, but there's plenty to make the older crowd smile, too! Taking the timeless classics and twisting them into fractured fairy tales is what AlphaBet Soup Productions does best!

Operating the company are co-producers, Susan Holm of Oak Forest, IL and Mark Pence of Wheaton, IL. They have produced original children's theatre productions since the fall of 1987. Their first show was an original adaptation of JACK AND THE BEANSTALK. Since that time over 17 original productions of shows and over 400,000 theatre goers from 2 to 92 have enjoyed a modern day twist to the familiar childhood of tales.

All of ABS shows are written or co-written by Mark Pence. (Also the Business Manager, sometimes director & set designer) Pence adapts these classic tales with material from today's headlines. He incorporates popular tunes, fads, TV shows and modern day references. "McDonalds", "Furbies", "Power Rangers" and other modern day children's icons have been spoofed in ABS productions. But fear not, there is always an underlying "moral to the story" in all the fun. His shows always stress the importance of family, friendship or standing up to the forces of evil.

Co-producer Susan Holm is the theatre's Artistic Director and responsible for the award winning costumes. She has an extraordinary flair for researching a time period and turning it upside down and making it fun for the kids. She also takes over in the director's chair and is in charge of the box office duties.

"Educators, parents, and media members all agree...ALPHABET SOUP is a real find." -H. Lee Murphy, Chicago Tribune.

## Alice In Wonderland Cast List

Alice.....	Allison Braitkrus
White Rabbit.....	Jill Blanford
Mouse.....	Kayce Alltop
Mad Hatter.....	John Garza
Queen of Hearts.....	Siobhan Sullivan
Knave of Hearts.....	Joe Heaton
King of Hearts.....	Terry Lynch
Chessy.....	Anjali Asokan
Humpty Dumpty.....	Terry Lynch
Flowers.....	Kayce Alltop Jill Blanford Siobhan Sullivan John Garza
Caterpillar.....	Terry Lynch
The Cards.....	John Garza Terry Lynch
Stage Manger.....	Saundra Bergman

Written by Mark A. Pence

Music by Julie Shannon

Directed by Siobhan Sullivan

Costumes by Susan Holm

Set design by Mark A. Pence

Stage Manager - Saundra Bergman

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**Cinderella**

Saturday, February 19, 2000  
11 am

**Charlotte's Web**

Saturday, March 4, 2000  
11 am

**Sundiata, The Lion King of Mali**

Saturday, April 15, 2000  
11 am

**Beauty and the Beast**

Saturday, May 13, 2000  
11 am

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**Do It Yourself Messiah!**

**Date:** Sunday, December 5, 1999

**Time:** 3 pm - 4:30 pm

**Admission:** Free

**Sponsored By:** The Park Forest Rotary Club

**Featuring:** The Suburban Youth Symphony Orchestra