



Buttons for General Washington: A Revolutionary Spy Story

Performing Artist Company: Tattling Tales Productions

Performing Artist Name: Cathy Kaemmerlen

Ages: 4th

Run Time: 45 min

Categories: Living History, Storytelling

of Performers: 1

Price:	<u>1 Show</u>	<u>2 Shows</u>	<u>3 Shows</u>
	\$325.00	\$425.00	

Short Description:

Set in the Revolutionary War, covering the time frame of October, 1777 through late summer 1778, this is a spy story of one Quaker family, the Darraghs of Philadelphia, who sent secret messages in code developed by the father and oldest son Charles with the coded messages hidden in buttons sewn on a coat. Seen through the eyes of daughter Anne, who, because of her other brother John's illness, must deliver the buttons to brother Charles, an aide de camp for General George Washington.

Long Description:

Buttons is for young audiences of elementary age, who have some knowledge of the colonial period and the Revolutionary War. Set in the Revolutionary War, covering the time frame of October, 1777 through late summer of 1778, this is a spy story of one Quaker family, the Darraghs of Philadelphia, who sent secret messages in code, in buttons sewn on a son's coat. Seen through the eyes of daughter/sister Anne, who, because of her older brother John's illness, must deliver the buttons to brother Charles, aide de camp for General George Washington. 45 minutes with question and answer period and some discussion about spying through the ages.

Character Traits utilized: courage, patriotism, citizenship, honesty, cooperation, diligence, patience, loyalty, perseverance, virtue, respect for creator.

Curriculum Standards:

CCGPS: ELACC4RL3,6 ELACC4S1,2,3

GPS: SS4H1b SS4H2b SS4H3b

TAES4.3 1,b,c,e 4.6a 4.7c

Attached Materials: Study Guide

Venue Requirements:

- 200 audience max.
- Clean and clear space that is available 45 min prior.

- We would prefer a media center space but a gym or cafeteria would be fine.
- A wooden chair if available.
- Peripheral walk around.
- Prefer to be on the same level as the students.