

Tram

MARI - ON POPPINS-KY

Susan
Frendly

SPEAKER: Two media have taken our entertainment world by storm this year. One that endearing, lovable musical Mary Poppins, the other and quite different trend the mad, weird and supernatural doings on television. Spooks, witches and monsters are weekly callers in your home via the television set. Well not to be outdone by these trends in our entertainment world, Sisterhood is glad to present our witching musical fantasy
"Marion Poppinsky"

Curtain opens: (Tune from the "Adams family")
fingers to be snapped in time)

3-4 witches: Of sisterhoods we whisper,
and tell our tales sinister,
It's sure to make you blister
Our witches family.

Trudy
Anita
Tram
Edith

We tell these tales of woe,
All stories con and pro,
Our gossip makes us glow
The witches family.

(Exit) & curtain.

FIRST ACT.

Curtain opens on wooded scene, big cauldron center prop, large sign

"SINISTER HOOD MEETING"

Witches with brooms are assembled.

All sing: (Song: "Black Magic")

Sylvia
Ellen
Helma
Maggie

That old black magic, we cast our spell,
On presidents of sisterhoods we tell,
We carry tales and make up new ones too.
We start a fuss, sometimes a big ado,
We never volunteer for menial work
To cook or bake, go find another jerk
For we just come and eat
Gossip is our beat
We repeat, all gossip is our meat
And so we stir our black trouble brew.

Sinister

Love

President: Girls, girls, let's call the meeting to order,
We have important business at hand
As you know at this our annual meeting
Gather sinisterhood witches throughout the land.
And as usual, first on our agenda
To the question how to cast off the spell and try to fight
The curse that dooms us to be sinisterhood witches
Because we were blind, wouldn't see the light.
Doomed to witches garb and ugliness
Because all we could do is criticize
The work of others and to top it all off
Made fun of them for their hard work and their enterprise.
Nothing could suit us, we wanted to share,
In the credits received, but no work for us.
And were we sore when our name wasn't mentioned
How we were insulted and made a fuss.

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Well now we are doomed and the spell can't be lifted
'Til we rid ourselves of our cynical attitude
Towards the rest of the sisterhood members
And stop our indifference, our not giving a hoot.
And we will be free only at the time
We can find a member who with her dedication
Can instill us once more with idealism and so
Inspire us to service, without needing ~~persuasion~~ *Persuasion*
But where to find a girl like that, how hopeless a task
Any suggestions sinisterhood witches: Anything anyone
care to ask?

1st Witch:

*Frankie
Lottie
prince*

*cut out
not to
marvel*

Madame President I have a committee report
About a congregation called New Hope
They just might have a member such as we need
Because just observing them we found they are clever indeed.
My committee reports thusly, so girls please recount
Your report on New hope and what you found!

Witches Committee:

*Sing
Helma
Tandy
Silvia*

Helma

S

all

Tr

all

The knowhow of these women is appalling,
Not faced by traffic jams or cars a-stalling
If we concoct a hex, try as we may
They simply go and call the AAA.
The fortitude of these women is perplexing
They're taking all enjoyment out of haxing
If dinner's to be served, we burn the meat
They simply send to ~~Starley's~~ *Starley's* for a treat.

What use is there to sit & wreck our brain
We always are the losers in this game
It seems that in the sisterhood New Hope
We simply cannot find a single dope!

The stamina of these women is unending
In ~~business~~ *business* or at home a hand they're lending
They drive the shifts with vigor & with zeal
And then go home and ~~cook~~ *cook* a darn good meal

And so we recommend and do suggest
If you can't "fight'em", "join 'em" is the best
To change ourselves we therefore should endeavor
And like New Hopers we will then be clever.

2nd witch:

Carol

Madam President may I be recognized
This witches meeting should now be advised
To find this ideal person our best bet
Is quickly to set up and place an ad.

President:

Most excellent idea please all in favor now say "aye"
The ayes have it, so without letting time go by
All interested parties please take in advisement
And answer soon to ~~look~~ *look* this our advertisement:

(Melody: Perfect Nanny)

If you want this choice position
Have a cheery disposition
Be polite, now warts
Have charm, play cards
You must be kind, you must be witty
For our lot you must feel pity

Cast off the spell without delay
Get sores, no pay
Have the patience of a saint
Even though, we positively aint,
Love us as you would a sister
And to our every whim administer.
If you won't boss and dominate us
We'll give you this dance to try reshape us
It will be quite a spectacle for us to see
You practicing reforms and unashamedly
We ask your help, change us if you would
(spoken:) Signed -- (sung) Witches Sisterhood.

President:

Meeting adjourned come get in a row,
Let's sing our theme song before we go!

(Melody: "Let's go fly a kite")

With a handle bristle & string
You can have yourself quite a fling
With your nose pointed high
In position to fly
You can soar to the moon
So come get out your broom.

Chorus:

Let's go fly our broom
Up in the midnight gloom,
Let's go fly our broom
And make things eerie,
Up where the ~~hik~~ goblins boo
We'll have our rendez-vous
Oh let's fly, in the sky!

Oh our broom is really quite keen
Never bother about gasoline,
You can dance on the breeze
Over houses and trees
But remember please
You might fall if you sneeze!

Chorus: repeat Let's go fly our broom, etc, etc.

Curtain closes.

ACT II

Curtain opens on 3 witches stirring cauldron
others are sitting around aimlessly.
(Song: Chim-chim-cheree)

3 witches:

Bub bubbly, bub-bubbly, bubbly brew
We are the witches sinisterhood crew,
Bub-bubbly, bub-bubbly, bubble with glee
Our ad has been answered you soon will see
She may be the one, who can set us free!

second time
as you ~~hand~~
can see

(Marion Poppinsky pops out of Cauldron)

Marion:

Well here I am in answer to your ad, "Hello"
Your needs were stated clearly but what I want to know
Are you willing to listen, learn and adapt
I don't want you to falter, want your promises kept
You must change, so the spell can be overcome
Now Sister Witches here's lesson # 1

(Song Chim-Chim-Cheree)

Here I am Marion Poppinsky's my name
To greatness or fame I do not lay claim
But I endeavor to always do right
And so I am here to mend your plight

(repeat bub-bubbely, etc.....)

Today I will show you that without much strife
You can change yourself and be useful in life
For quickly the years go and one day you'll ask
Why did I not try, to accomplish my task,
Why did I not try, to accomplish my task!

Bub-bubbely, bub-bubbely, bubbely anew
We'll try to be witches who'll know what to do
Bub-bubbely, bub-bubbely, bubble with glee
Perhaps life will change now for you and for me
Bub-bubbely, bubble, perhaps we'll be free.

Marion:

Sisters I ask you can you relate
How you came to be in so shocking a state?
What changed you and doomed you, made such wretches of you
Please tell me, so I'll know what now we must do!

1st witch:

Amrita

I once had to work in the kitchen
I once had to serve on the floor
I once had to work with committees
Who always were angry and sore.

2nd witch:

Carrol

I started with some prima donna
Who ordered her workers around
Who showed up to get all the credit
But otherwise never was found.

3rd witch:

Trudy Sylvia

What's worse, they put me on finance
And watched me approach all my friends
I ended up in such a frenzy
'Cause money's where all friendship ends.

Marion:

I cannot accept such an outlook
It's cynical and most untrue
The others you never considered
You were only thinking of you.

4,5,6 witches:

Carol Sylvia Sam

(Once we were innocent, now we know well
(The horrors we've seen we will try to retell

#4 witch:

Sylvia

We once saw a woman resign in a huff

#5

"

Carol

'Cause her name wasn't mentioned enough

*2nd time
our ad has been answered
as now you can see*

6 witch:

Erma

All:

Now you can't quite believe such a ~~show~~ ^{display}
 In a woman your age or mine
 To depart from a task because you want your way
 Yet it happens most all of the time.

#4 witch:

Inge

Once we planned a luncheon, in days long ago
 We ate very hearty, then we saw a show
 It always occurred that the seat in Row Z
 Was where nobody wanted to be.

#5 witch:

Sylvia

When a girl would say what should it matter
 That sometimes such an error occurs
 How quickly she would change her chatter
 When the seat in Row Z turned out hers.

Marion:

Oh stop it my goodness, I can't think like you
 You can't blame the many because of a few
 You know there are women who work for the joy
 Whom petty things never annoy

There are girls who will work without glory or gain
 There are girls who are generous too
 And if some may err, I need not explain
 That the many outbalance the few
 So listen here's lesson no. two!

(Melody: Spoon full of sugar.)

Marion:

In every job that must be done
 There is an element of fun
 You find the fun and snap the jobs a game
 And every task you undertake
 Becomes a piece of cake
 A lark! A spree! It's very clear to see:

That a spoonfull of sugar helps committee
 work get done, committee work get done, committee work get done
 Just a spoon full of sugar helps committee work get done
 In the most delightful way!

A member trying to do her best
 Has very little time to rest
 Her job may be a luncheon or a tea
 Though quite intent in her pursuit
 She finds this at the root
 A smile! Worthwhile! Will do the job in style!

(repeat spoonfull of sugar etc-----)

When serving in committee work
 You find your duties you can't shirk
 Because your sisterhood depends on you,
 So if you take advice to heart
 And all will do their part
 Then hence! You find! Your task is not a grind!

(repeat spoonfull of sugar etc-----)

Witch:

Helma

Oh that's all well and good but it's so frustrating
 With every job, there is all that debating
 Sometimes you're so weary it really hurts
 And you are just numb, at a loss for words.

Marion:

But list^{en} that's where positive thinking enters the scene,
 Members are never intentionally mean,

If you feel ~~flow~~ down a perfect remedy
Is this little phrase; your lesson #3.

(Melodie: "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious")

(Chorus:)

Supercalifragilistic and a bit New Hoping
If you say it loud enough you soon will stop your moping
With such ease you'll find that with your problems you'll be
coping

Supercalifragilistic and a bit New Hoping
Um diddle diddle diddle um diddle ay
" " " " " " " "

When I first joined the sisterhood
I was quite at a loss,
I met so many people who
At me their names would toss,
One day I said: "Enough of this,
I cannot rack my brain
I know something much better than
To try think of their name.

Chorus repeated:

Supercalifrag..... etc.

I got involved in sisterhood
And gave it quite a whirl
I'd use my phrase and they would say
There goes a clever girl,
When things were in a muddle
They would always call on me
To say my little phrase and then
Repeat right after me.

Chorus:

Supercalifrag..... etc.

Witches: *joyce*

Marion can you say it backwards?

Marion:

Of course as good jews we say everything backwards:
Hopewewcitsiligarfilacrepus

Witches:

Oh we can see it really is
Not such a dreadful task
Just use some ingenuity
And it will last and last
We like this phrase so let us sing
And try to get it right
Here are the words that might release us
From our awful plight.

Chorus:

Supercal..... etc.

1.Witch: *Lottie*

I don't know what has come over me
I suddenly feel released and free!

2.Witch: *Carrol*

I too within me feel a churning
After all these years, could that be my conscience burning??

3.Witch: *Trudy*

Heavens my ugly nose seems to be twitching
Could this be the end of all my witching!

4th. Witch: *Tranex*

My teeth are turning white, perhaps now I'll look cute,
And all just because I changed my attitude.

Marion:

Girls, I think your transformation is beginning
You're back to Sisterhood and the rewards it's bringing,
Don't ever loose ~~your~~ way again, for it is true
You need your Sisterhood, your Sisterhood needs you!

(Melody: Sister Suffragette)

All:

Joyce

times
3 well done
at the
end

We clearly have seen the light at last
Parting forever with our past
We were too selfish, thought just of ourselves
Now we see that in a group lies satisfaction
Cast off the shackles of yesterday
Shoulder to shoulder into the fray
Our daughters' daughters will adore us
And they'll sing in grateful chorus
"Well done, New Hope Sisterhood."
From Rockdale up to Amberley
From Sholom down to Wise
From every corner of the Land
"Sisterhood arise".
We put our shoulder to the wheel
We try to get things done
Join in our ranks and with the work
You'll find that you'll ~~be~~ have fun!
No more a meek and mild no-doer you'll be
But strengthening our shul positively!

Sister

repeat:

Cast off the shackles, etc.....

Curtain

Speaker :

Have we been able to convey through all our nonsense that it is important for every member to be active in Sisterhood? Well, if we did ~~wex~~ are happy -- and I let you in on a secret, we might have exaggerated just a bit, we're not perfect, but one truth remains and is most important -- so for our parting number here is our entire cast to leave you with this thought

Entire Ensemble:

It doesn't ~~make~~ matter if you are a blonde or brunette,
If you adore a poodle or a siamese cat,
It doesn't matter if you wash with cheer or with whisk
As long as in our sisterhood ranks you enlist.
It doesn't matter if you're glamorous or a sport,
If you like Cadilacs or ~~prefer~~ driving Ford,
It doesn't matter if you like a sandwich or soup
As long as you will join with our sisterhood group.

drink It's quite o.k. if you like pop & not the Met
 from me Perhaps your dish is jello, not a crepe suzette
 T It doesn't matter if your coffee's drip or perk
 C As long as we're assured that with us you will work.

You know as well as we
In life it's give and take
So give a little of yourself
For ~~how~~ heavens sake!

It doesn't matter if you like high heels or wear flats
If you're conservative, or like to make a few bets
It doesn't matter if you use cologne or perfume
But please responsibilities with us do assume!
It doesn't matter if your ear is pierced or you clip
If you're a stay-at-home or love taking a trip
If you adore the Beatles or Max Rudolph's sound
As long as we just know, on you we surely can count!
We don't care if you're movie struck or watch T.V.

Twice

Frank

Helena
Smith
Tram

You wear your dresses long or just above the knee
We couldn't care less if your coat is rabbit or mink
Just join our ranks and do become a Sisterhood link!

Finis