Pickle Power

Mickle the Pickle, aka Michael Goldstein

Michael has been clowning around for 20 years. His energetic style and fun songs are a joy to listen to for every child and child at heart.

"This CD has been inspired by children who have had cancer and children affected by HIV. They are my greatest teachers.



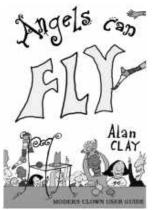
"From 1994-2000, I traveled around the country playing with children and families dealing with cancer, HIV, ventilator patients, cystic fibrosis, asthma, hemophilia, transplants, etc."

"These children taught me how to appreciate every moment. They taught me that having fun is the best thing to do in any situation. 100% of the first 50 CDs sold will go to my favorite pediatric oncology charity called CURE Childhood Cancer. After that, a % will go to charities of my choice: Camp Starlight, Camp Sunshine, The Brain Tumor Foundation for Children, CURE, Camp Twin Lakes, R.O.C.K. Camp and Camp Care as well as The Children's wish foundation." Listen to examples of the songs and buy it at: CD Baby www.cdbaby.com/cd/mickle

A Modern Clown User Guide

by Alan Clay

Angels Can Fly includes a mix of fiction which follows the adventures of ten clown characters, some personal clown anecdotes from clowns from around the world, a total of 50 practical clown exercises, and some theory on the nature of modern clown.



"Clown is a fascinating, diverse, complex and exciting art form, which has existed around the planet for thousands of years. Like any art form it has to evolve to stay relevant to the culture nurturing it, and at the same time, and by its very nature, clown teases and turns upside down the cultural patterns and boundaries around us." — Alan Clay

Including anecdotes from clowns around the world.:

Jonathon Acorn, NZ; Clown Bluey, UK; Sue Broadway, Australia; Amelia Cadwallader, Australia; Hillary Chaplain, USA; Claire Coleman, UK; Bill 'Stretch' Coleman, USA; Andrew Cory, Australia; **Shobi Dobi, USA**; Martin Ewen, NZ / USA; Jango Edwards, Holland; Richard Hughson, USA; Rumpel, Jester of OZ Australia; David MacMurry Smith, Canada; Kirk Marsh, USA; Johnny Melville, Scotland / Holland; Daniel Oldaker, Australia; Drew Richardson, USA

Available on Amazon.com

There are not only lots of stories of clown adventures, there are also guidelines, suggested warm up exercises and routines.

The Ultimate Clown Hat

So many of you have asked me were to get my clown hat Here it is. You can't see the colors. They come in Black, Burgundy, Cherry, Dark Brown,



Olive, Navy, Grey Mix and brown Mix. Shobi wears the Cherry Red.

The 6 -WAY Hat is made of 100% wool felt and can be shaped into at least six different styles. I have found this hat keeps my head cool in the sun and warm in the cool. The only one I need on the road. On an airplane it also folds down to cover my eyes!

Sizes: One Size Fits All Price: \$24 (plus \$7 shipping)

608 255-2071 Sacred Feather, Madison WI.

www.sacredfeather.com/woolfelt.html

An Inspiration from Suzy Hammer

Suzy Hammer is a clown and entertainer in Delray Beach, Florida. (www.suzyhammer.com) She is also the founder and president of

The Treasure Boxes Project, Inc. Founded in January, 2000 they provide boxes filled with educational, practical, and fun gifts to "cheer the needy, hungry, abused, and seriously ill children in Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade Counties during the holiday season."

The Treasure Box Project involves the purchase, filling, wrapping, and delivering of Treasure Boxes by group of volunteers (including Mama Clown who told me about Suzy)

In that first year they delivered 125 boxes and the number has gone up every year since In South Florida, December 2005, a holiday season of hurricane-weary families, the Treasure Box Project volunteers are distributing 2,500 Treasure Boxes to needy boys and girls between the ages of four and seven years old. For some of them, the beautifully wrapped box was the only gift they received during the holiday season.

The boxes which are heavy, colorful pencil boxes approximately 9" x 6" x 3" are filled equally with items such as:

Fun toys, yo-yo's, card games, bubbles, hi-bounce balls, etc.

Storybooks & coloring books www.doverbooks.com

Educational and school supplies - Sharpeners, crayons, & markers

Notepads, pens, & pencils, Pen flashlights

Toothbrushes & toothpaste Socks & combs & toiletries

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How about a Treasure Box for Hospitalized Children?

This would make a great family/alley project for any time of the year, especially as a welcome gift to children just coming into the hospital. It would also facilitate the involvement of non-clown volunteers - a good bonding type activity. Check out Oriental Trading Company for bulk items www.orientaltrading.com