

## Ocean Grove Children's Show - 2009

## **Peter Pan**

(An adaptation of the story written by J. M. Barrie.)

"That's the Way a Mother Loves"

Script Excerpt and Song

<u>Wendy</u> Boy without a shadow, I don't know who you are, but you're one of the most interesting people I've ever met.

> Peter Pan Thank you. I agree.

<u>Wendy</u> Where are you from?

<u>Peter Pan</u> A land you've never heard of.

> <u>Wendy</u> Never?

<u>Peter Pan</u> Never-Never.

<u>Wendy</u> Well... will you tell me then?

> <u>Peter Pan</u> I just did.

> > <u>Wendy</u> When?

<u>Peter Pan</u> Two answers ago.

<u>Wendy</u> You said, "Never-Never."

<u>Peter Pan</u> That's it. That's the Land.

<u>Wendy</u> Where is this Never-Never Land?

<u>Peter Pan</u> Come to the window and you'll see. (Peter leads Wendy to the window.) It's way up there.

> <u>Wendy</u> (with wonder) In the stars?

<u>Peter Pan</u> Second to the right, and then straight on till morning!

(She looks at Peter. Her heart has been won over.) Boy without a shadow... may I ask your name?

> <u>Peter Pan</u> (bowing) I'm Peter... Peter Pan!

<u>Wendy</u> It's nice to meet you. My name is...

> Peter Pan and Wendy Wendy!

<u>Wendy</u> You know my name?

<u>Peter Pan</u> Yes, from your diary.

<u>Wendy</u> You've been reading my diary?

<u>Peter Pan</u> Only the first page. Then your dog chased me out the window. That's how I lost my shadow.

<u>Wendy</u> So you came back to get your shadow?

Peter Pan No, actually... I came back... to find you.

> <u>Wendy</u> You did?

Peter Pan Yes. Didn't you say, "Something is calling my heart, and my heart is listening... but I don't know what it is."?

> *Wendy* How did you know that?

<u>Peter Pan</u> Your words bounced off the stars, and I heard them when I flew past.

> <u>Wendy</u> You can fly?

<u>Peter Pan</u> Of course. How else do you get from one adventure to another?

(with longing) I don't know anything about adventure. I'm always here. <u>Peter Pan</u> But you have a family... and a home.

<u>Wendy</u> Don't you have a family and a home?

<u>Peter Pan</u> (looking down) No. I don't even have a shadow.

<u>Wendy</u> Wait here. I have an idea. (She gets the sewing box and returns.) This may hurt a little, but only for a moment, and then your shadow will be as good as new.

> <u>Peter Pan</u> (watching as Wendy works) What are you doing?

*Wendy* I'm sewing your shadow back on. See, it takes only a few stitches. Look, it's already done.

> Peter Pan Sewing? Stitches? What is this?

<u>Wendy</u> Didn't your mother ever take a needle and thread, and work with it to make clothing, or patch up a torn place?

> <u>Peter Pan</u> I don't have a mother.

<u>Wendy</u> Peter... you don't have a mother?

> <u>Peter Pan</u> (looking down) No.

## Song #5 - That's the Way a Mother Loves Wendy

Who picks you up when you trip and fall Who's right there when she hears you call Who wipes your eyes when your tears are slowly falling Who wakes you up when the morning's bright Who tucks you in when it's late at night

<u>Peter Pan</u> I don't know 'cause I never had a mother

<u>Wendy</u> Peter, I can't even imagine what that's like. You never had anyone to care for you like that?

<u>Peter Pan</u> Does a mother really do all those things?

> <u>Wendy</u> Yes.

<u>Wendy</u> That's what a mother does That's how she shows her love That's the way the world was meant to be And every child in every land Needs a gentle, loving, guiding hand That's the way a mother loves

<u>Peter Pan</u> I admit what you say sounds convincing, but I've done all right on my own.

> <u>Wendy</u> Oh, Peter... listen.

> > <u>Wendy</u>

Who held your hand when you learned to walk Who still remembers the day you talked Who read the stories you loved in early childhood Who tied the shoes on your little feet Who baked the cookies you love to eat

Peter Pan I don't know 'cause I never had a mother

<u>Wendy</u> No one read you stories? No homemade cookies? No one tucked you into bed at night?

> <u>Peter Pan</u> No, Wendy... no one.

<u>Wendy</u> That's what a mother does That's how she shows her love That's the way the world was meant to be And every child in every land Needs a gentle, loving, guiding hand That's the way a mother loves That's the way a mother loves

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