Pointers For Parents

Helping Youngsters Understand Patriotism

(NAPSA)—An ongoing sense of patriotism continues to inspire our country's children. Now there's a video designed to help youngsters grasp the basic concepts of national pride and what America stands for.

The sing-along video, created for viewers between the ages of 3 and 7, helps little ones understand and appreciate the democratic values that make America beautiful and great. It also pays tribute to the individuals who help keep all Americans safe.

A portion of the proceeds from the video, called *America the Beautiful*, will go to charities supporting the families of victims of the September 11 attacks—specifically the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund and the New York Police & Fire Widows' and Children's Benefit Fund. The animated video is part of the Mini Maestro series, an award-winning multimedia series for toddlers and pre-schoolers.

"Mini Maestro is unique in that it stimulates children's imaginations by encouraging them to narrate their own stories



The Mini Maestro teaches kids 3 to 7 what America stands for in his new kids' video.

to the video," says Janet Osen, president of The Little Fiddle Company, which produced the video. "In each of our multimedia titles, we highlight an educational theme and offer suggestions for classroom and parent-child activities."

To learn more, or to order the *America the Beautiful* video, visit www.minimaestro.com or call toll free 1-888-678-5636.