

The Windline

Susquehanna Valley Chapter - ATOS

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March 2010

BE THERE! - MARCH 8, 7PM

S.O.A.P VISITS THE CAPITOL

(with memorable themes dished up on the Wurlitzer!)

Hello fans of old-time radio! Have you tried S.O.A.P.?

Travel back to the Golden Age of Radio with S.O.A.P., the Spirit of the Airwaves Players.



Sit back and get comfortable as you join our studio audience. We perform your favorite radio dramas LIVE. Comedy. Suspense. Westerns. And of course, soap operas. You'll hear episodes from shows like The Lone Ranger, Superman, Orphan Annie, and many more. Each episode will be brought to you with all the explosions, footsteps, and other thrilling music and sound effects to keep you on the edge of your seat.



"Pepsi-cola hits the spot . . . get Wild-root Creme Oil, Charlie . . . Super Suds, Super Suds . . ." You'll hear classic commercials and jingles, too—after all, every program needs sponsors. Feel free to sing along!

Radio may be the "Theater of the Mind," but whether your eyes are open or closed, you'll feel as if you've stepped back in time. Ladies in seamed stockings, gentlemen in fedoras—the performers of S.O.A.P. recreate the 1930s and '40s in every detail. We dress in vintage clothing and accessories, and use vintage microphones, too. S.O.A.P.'s sound effects department also uses authentic techniques of the era. Watch two ordinary coconut shells transform into the thunderous hoof beats of the great horse Silver!



The Spirit of the Airwaves Players are a traveling troupe of entertainers. They perform for retirement communities, civic groups, and anywhere there is an interest and fascination with old-time radio.

This showcase is open to SVTOS Members and Guests only!

From a 'Dusty corner'

I hope you are as excited about the upcoming meetings as I am. The Program Committee has done a fabulous job. Be sure to mark your calendar:

March 8 we will again be entertained by the Spirit of the Airwaves Players as they recreate what it was like in the heyday of radio. Their show will be surrounded by our members playing favorite themes and jingles from that era on the Mighty Wurlitzer.



This meeting will be particularly special because we have invited the staff of our host organization—the Strand-Capitol Performing Arts Center—along with the Board of Directors and all their volunteers to be our guests that evening. It's our way of saying "thanks" for the great support and cooperation they give us.

April 12 will feature a silent movie with Don Kinnier at the Mighty Wurlitzer along with open console. It will be a wonderful example of why the theatre organ was born!!! We will also be voting on some technical changes to our By-Laws (see article below).

May 10 Don will be doing a short workshop on how to accompany vocalists and other musicians again followed by open console. This will be our Annual Meeting. We'll have election of officers and other business of interest to all members. I urge you to attend.

June 14 will be a showcase meeting featuring Michael Xavier Lundy. A product of John Dickinson High School in Wilmington, this young man "grew up" with the theatre organ and he loves the "big" sound!

As always, our meetings are not open to the public, but members may bring guests. Showcase meetings are open to Regular members only. Please wear your name badge. New permanent ones will be available beginning at the March meeting.

If you love the theatre organ, you won't want to miss any of these great programs. See you at the Capitol!
All the best ... Dusty

Attention Voting Members

Two events have made it necessary to make some technical changes to our By-Laws. First is our incorporation in Pennsylvania and our application for non-profit status. In addition, we changed from a calendar year to a program year (September to August).

The following two changes are submitted to you for your consideration. They will be formally presented at our March meeting and voted upon at our April meeting.

Section 2. Organization

S.V.T.O.S. is registered as a Nonprofit Corporation under the Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1988 in the state of Pennsylvania, and has established its tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

Section 1. Annual Meetings

The first Annual Meeting of the S.V.T.O.S. shall be held in October 1993 at a time and place to be set by the Officers. The preferred calendar date of ensuing S.V.T.O.S. Annual Meetings shall be in May of each year, or whenever scheduling can be arranged. The day, time and place will be determined by the Officers.

Thanks to Larry Fenner for his faithful attention to these details.

Upcoming events

Sunday, March 21 5:00 PM	Tillies Punctured Romance	See below
Sunday, April 11 3:00 PM	"King of Kings" Cecil B. DeMille's silent film, live organ score by Bernie Anderson, Jr on the 3/16 Moller Theatre Pipe Organ	Patriots Theatre at the War Memorial Memorial Drive, Trenton, NJ \$10
Sunday, April 11 3:00 PM	Bob Lachin at Free State Theatre Organ Society (Baltimore)	http://theatreorgans.com/freestate



WE NEED YOUR IDEAS!

We'll be lining up our programs for the 2010-2011 season soon. If you have any suggestions for a showcase or information topic, please pass it along to Gary Springmontpipes@webtv.net or Dusty DustyandBarbara@Verizon.net.

Free State Theatre Organ Schedule

- Sunday, April 11, 3:00 p.m.
Bob Lachin
- Saturday, May 8, 6:30 p.m.
Dick Smith
- Sunday, June 13, 3:00 p.m.
Don Kinnier and Judy Townsend
- Sunday, Sept 12, 3:00 p.m.
John Terwilliger
- Sunday, Nov 7, 3:00 p.m.
Frank Vanaman
- Sunday, Dec 5, 3:00 p.m.
Christmas Program



**TILLIE'S
PUNCTURED
ROMANCE**
PLUS A
SURPRISE COMEDY SHORT

**Silent
Movie
Fundraiser**

Benefits the
**TOSDV
Theatre Pipe Organ
Restoration Fund**

With Wayne Zimmerman
on the
**Rodgers Trio Deluxe
Theatre Organ**

Conman "stranger" (Chaplin) entices naive farm girl "Tillie" (Dressler) to steal her dad's money and run away to the big city. Conman's sweetheart in the city (Mabel Normand) sees them, and all sorts of mayhem, conniving, and comedy ensue. Dressler's "going to the city" attire is outlandish,



and her energetic cavorting belies her large size. Chaplin (not yet in his "little tramp" persona) is a first class cad. See Dressler and Chaplin as you have never seen them before. Throw in the bumbling Keystone Kops for good measure and you have what is recognized as the first "full length feature" comedy Motion Picture.

**DATE 03/21/2010
TIME 5:00 PM**

**\$10.00 at the door
\$5.00 12 and under**

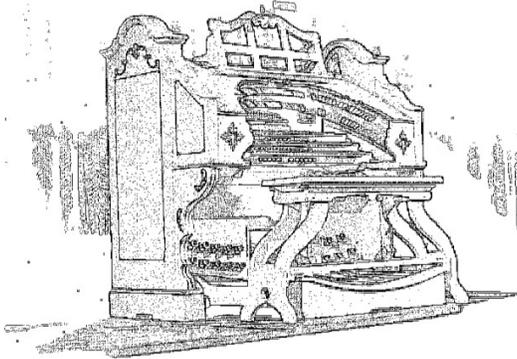
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Important Upcoming Events

> Monday March 8, 2010
S.O.A.P. radio show with
SVTOS organists providing
radio themes
Capitol Theatre 7:00 to 9:00

> Monday April 12, 2010
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