

February 2014

The Windline

Susquehanna Valley Chapter - ATOS

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A 501(c)(3) corporation dedicated to the preservation and presentation of Theatre Organs. Proudly supporting the Mighty Wurlitzer Pipe Organ at the Capitol Theatre in York, PA

Now it's Your Turn!

February 17, 2014

All Day Open Console

Call Don Schoeps 717-254-6097

Email: dschoeps@aol.com



HOWIE'S CORNER: .

We have another all day open console scheduled for Monday February 17th at the Capitol Theatre. Don Schoeps will again be the host and arrange for scheduling. If you would like some practice time on the Wurlitzer, please contact Don at 717-254-6097 or email him at dschoeps@aol.com. All SVTOS members are invited to play the organ, even if you already played at the January open console.

Our March 10th showcase will feature Dan Minervini from Massapequa, New York. Dan was selected as the 2013 ATOS Theatre Organ Student of the year and has been a student of Jelani Eddington since 2009. Dan was a finalist at last year's ATOS Young Theatre Organist Competition and has frequently attended the ATOS Summer Youth Adventure. He is also serving as the Youth Representative to the ATOS Board of Directors and is an elected member of the NYTOS Board of Directors. Not only is Dan a fine organist he is also active in the restoration of the 4/26 Wurlitzer at Long Island University. I know you will enjoy his program.



On Sunday April 13th from 2:00PM to 5:00 PM we will have a "Sunday Social" at the home of Barry Howard, Larry Fenner and Wurlitzer Opus 501 in Lebanon, PA. You will finally be able to hear the Wurlitzer. The organ is about 70% complete with 9 ranks playing. The other 7 ranks are digital until all the pipes are playing. In addition to the Wurlitzer, there is also a three manual Rodgers Marquee and a Yamaha Disklavier piano so bring your music. There will tours, demonstrations, and open console.

It is with deep sadness that I must report the passing of our dear friend and member Jim Stetts. Jim has been an active, supportive, and long time member of SVTOS and he will be deeply missed. He was also a member of the American Theatre Organ Society, the Rochester Theatre Organ Society, the Antique Automobile Club of America, and other vintage car clubs. Jim kept busy restoring antique cars and in later years rebuilt and installed a theatre pipe organ in his home. Jim and Lorraine enjoyed the company of guest organists visiting and playing their theatre pipe organ. Several of our SVTOS members traveled to Williamsport on January 18th to attend his memorial service. Please keep Lorraine in your thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time.

We have a common problem facing many organizations today, DECLINING MEMBERSHIP. As I look at our membership list for this season, I am disturbed by the declining numbers. We have lost 10 family memberships since last season. That may not seem like a lot, but at this rate in five years we will no longer exist as an organization.

We are losing more members than we are gaining each year. We need an all out effort to attract more members to SVTOS. Please invite your friends, church members, students, etc. to one of our chapter events and just maybe they will be inspired to join SVTOS.

You do not have to be an organist to join. Guests are always welcome.

Barry

To all of our friends from SVTOS,

Thank you for your support, prayers, and presence during these challenging times, and for attending the service for Jim Stetts. It meant so much to see everyone, and to know how much we were cared for. All the best, Lorraine Stetts & Family

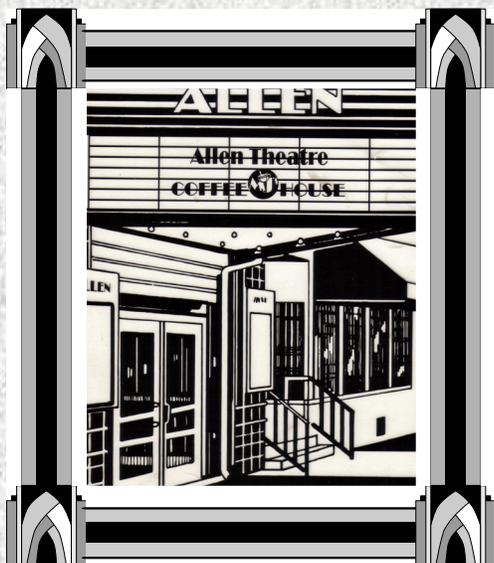
Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society Program For 2012 - 13 Season

All meetings are at the Capitol Theatre, York 7:00PM unless stated otherwise

Monday Feb. 17 All Day	All Day Open Console
Monday March 10 7:00PM	Guest Organist Dan Minervini
Sunday Apr. 13 2:00-5:00 PM	Sunday Social—Barry, Larry and Opus 501 Home, Lebanon, PA The WurliTzer is finally playing! Tours, demonstrations, and open console.
Monday May 12 7:00PM	Annual Membership meeting, Arranger's Challenge & Open Console
Monday June 9 7:00PM	Guest Organist Bob Eyer

Events Calendar

Saturday Feb 15 3:00PM	Dick Smith at Rice Auditorium, Catonsville MD Free State Organ Society
Sunday, March 2 3:00PM	Olivier Latry Organist Titular Organist, Notre Dame, Paris St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 839 West Market St. York (see page 5)
Sat. March 15, 7:00PM	Donna Parker at Dickinson High School, Wilmington, DE
Sun., March 16 3:99 PM	Wayne Zimmerman & feature length movie at Rice Auditorium, Catonsville MD Free State Organ Society
July 4-8	ATOS National Convention—Indianapolis, IN (see page 6)



Hear the organ 30 minutes prior to the 7:30 PM Movies on selected weekends.
Anncville, PA

Opportunity - Newsletter Editor

I plan to resign this post as of June 2014 (after 7 years), and would like to coach a new person in this work. It takes about 4-5 hours per month and email services. No "writing" is required as almost everything is emailed in by contributors.

I have been using Microsoft Publisher, but any good text/photo editing program will do. Please contact Roy (newsletter@svtos.org) or 717-792-3408 for more information.

A "Like" from Don Kinnier

Cinnamon Hill Art - makers of a great Digital Toy Counter

<http://www.cinnamonhillart.com/EDTC.html>

I recently purchased a Digital Toy Counter from Cinnamon Hill Art. It is a great unit, in that it has 18 push-button selectable sounds at your immediate command, plus its memory (a micro SD card) comes with a hundred sounds which can easily be assigned to to any of the buttons. Better yet you can also develop your own effects and load them in as MP3 files (with the aid of a computer) so the unit really has unlimited capability.

The samples can be of long or short duration and can be anything that your imagination could desire.

I used my unit with some very standard bells, birds, whistles and drums when accompanying a Keaton film on a wonderful Walker/Möller organ at Jerusalem Lutheran Church. The instrument had everything but a toy counter so the Cinnamon Hill DTC fit the bill perfectly. At Christmas for our kids pageant at First Methodist in Ephrata, I needed some non-theatre-organ effects (a big Harp glissando ending in a Bb major chord sung by an angelic choir and a long roll on a BIG Oriental Gong.) I developed the samples using some other sound sources and loaded the files into the DTC. This allowed me to play the organ and put the special cues into the program exactly when they were required. The price is moderate for such a unit and Andy LaTorre, the maker, is wonderful to deal with.

They make a sloped-back unit to fit under the music desk of most Theatre Organs. I chose a special straight backed unit to sit on top of most music desks or any other flat surface. For what I do that seemed most practical. Give them a look and a listen

Peace,
Don Kinnier

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January 16, 2014 Williamsport Sun-Gazette

James J. Stetts, 76, of Williamsport, died on Jan. 14, 2014, at The Gatehouse. He and his wife, the former Lorraine Herriman, were married on Oct. 24, 1970.

Born on Jan. 3, 1938, in Newberry, he was the son of Joseph and Dorothy Kranz Stetts.

Jim was a 1955 graduate of Williamsport High School and WTI. He retired from Koser Electric in 1998 following 37 years of service doing estimating and supervision. He was active in many clubs, among them are: Antique Automobile Club of America, Susquehannock Region off AACA, Classic Thunderbird Club, Vintage Thunderbird Club, American Theatre Organ Society, Rochester Theatre Organ Society, Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society. Jim kept busy restoring antique cars and in later years rebuilt and installed a Theatre pipe organ from the Stanly Theatre in Camden, N.J., in the family home, where he and Lorraine took pleasure in presenting concerts with professional artists for friends and family. Together with Lorraine, they traveled frequently to car shows, Theatre Organ concerts, and visiting their many car and T.O. friends who were their extended family.

Jim also enjoyed carpentry and building. He worked on and helped rebuild Theatre pipe organs in theatres. He was a hands on person, happiest when he was busy with a project.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sons, Michael Stetts, of Cleveland, Ohio and Robert Gregg Stetts, of West Chester; one daughter Julie Ward, of Cleveland, Ohio; two brothers, Joseph J. (Donna) Stetts II, of Williamsport and John J. (Carol) Stetts, of Linden; one sister, Joanne D. (Carl) Conklin, of Williamsport; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 18, 2014, in Faxon-Kenmar United Methodist Church, 1305 Clayton Ave., Williamsport, with Rev. Michael Swimley officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Hughesville. Visitation will be held on Saturday at the church from 1 to 2 p.m.

The family suggest memorial contributions in Jim's name be made to The Gatehouse, 1100 Grampian Blvd., Williamsport, PA 17701.

Masonic Village Schedule:

April 8	Glenn Hough
June 10	Don Schoeps
August 12	Gary Coller
October 15	Open
December 9	Annual Christmas Program

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"... brilliant playing ... a remarkable ability to breathe life into his phrases ... Witnessing this creation unfold was an astounding and exhilarating experience."

-Greensboro News & Record



OLIVIER LATORY

Titular Organist, Cathedral of Notre-Dame, Paris

Sunday, March 2, 2014 • 3:00 PM
St. Matthew Lutheran Church
839 W. Market St., York

*No tickets required—an offering will be collected for the artist's expenses
Plenty of parking at the church
717-845-2721 x107*

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Subject: Hot Pipes Podcasts are now free

I've just uploaded show 111, along with show 55 from 2012: these are now free to download and/or listen to. Full details of how to access these podcasts are given on www.hotpipes.eu/listen.html and the playlists can be found at www.hotpipes.eu/playlists-current.html

I do hope that you will 'tune in' - I feature tracks that are currently available, along with classic material from the past. I also accept requests and dedications: there will be a request show in the near future when I have received enough for a full programme.

Steve Ashley Producer and Host of Hot Pipes! - weekly shows of theatre organ entertainment from around the globe. Show website www.hotpipes.eu and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/HotPipesRadio

Plan Ahead: ATOS CONVENTION

DTOS is planning a bus trip to the 2014 ATOS convention in Indianapolis, IN. The bus will be leaving Dickinson High School on July 2 and arriving in Indianapolis that evening. The bus will also be used for sightseeing in Indianapolis and convention transportation. The bus will return to Dickinson High School on the evening of July 10. The cost of the bus trip is \$300.00. For more detailed information you may contact Dorothy Wilson at 856-627-4741 or email: dorothywilson@comcast.net.

River City Theatre Organ Society has posted three new Zach Frame videos on YouTube Enjoy!

A Beatles Medley

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFdNlqv9VSk>

Can You Feel The Love Tonight

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v3_dCi5Bqm0

A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KAY4rnOBX9w>

***River City Theatre Organ Society Jerry Pawlak – Secretary/Treasurer
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Scholarship Fund

A Scholarship Fund has been set up to provide money for talented young organists to attend the ATOS Youth Summer Camp. To make your tax-deductible contribution to this fund, make your check payable to SVTOS, note "Scholarship Fund" in the memo line and send it (or give it) to our Treasurer, Roy Wainwright, 2897 Olde Field Dr., York, PA 17408-4256. If you would like more information about this scholarship fund and/or possible candidates, please call Barry, (717) 274-2254, or email Pres@SVTOS.org.

These contributions are now tax-deductible!

You can also contribute via PayPal on our web site www.svtos.org

Two Amazing Videos from Don Kinnier for your Holiday Pleasure.

This came to us from our friend John Steuernagle out in sunny San Diego, California
http://www.youtube.com/embed/QdoTdG_VNV4?rel=0&iv_load_policy=3%3cbr%20/%3e&autoplay=0&wmode=transparent

This little dandy came from friends Jim and Lorraine Stetts up in not so sunny (right now) Williamsport, PA

<http://digg.com/video/this-piano-automatically-reacts-to-what-you-play-on-it>



“Capitol Idea”

CDs are still available for sale.

Sam Groh has them available at every meeting.

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