

Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society

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THE SVTOS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, APRIL 19TH HAS BEEN CANCELLED



We trust that the cancellation of our April Meeting will not come as a shock to anyone. In accordance with federal, state, and local government mandates, we must cancel all SVTOS functions until the restrictions related to the Covid-19 pandemic have been lifted.

As soon as the restrictions are lifted we will again begin to schedule meetings. Until then, please stay safe, stay calm, and stay healthy.

SVTOS is a 501(c)(3) corporation dedicated to the preservation and presentation of Theatre Pipe Organs. Proudly supporting the Mighty WurliTzer Theatre Pipe Organ in the Capitol Theatre in York, PA.

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Like everyone else right now, we are closely watching the Coronavirus situation and trying to decide what we want to do with our upcoming events. We have already cancelled our March and April programs for this season.

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The May 11th Business Meeting and Election of Officers may have to be rescheduled to a later date if the Appell Center is still closed and the Governor's "Stay at Home" mandate is still in effect. The Appell Center has currently cancelled all of their events through the middle of May. We will have more information about the May meeting in the next newsletter.

Right now the June 15th showcase with Dan Minervini is in question and we are evaluating the situation daily. I have been in communication with Dan and we both feel that in a few weeks we should be able to decide if we need to cancel the June 15th program and reschedule his program for next season.

We certainly hope that we can still have our August 1st picnic at the home of Richard Neidich and Ed Horvath in Lewisberry, PA, and hear their fantastic 3/51 Walker digital theatre organ with an out-of-town guest organist at the console. Again, we have to monitor the situation and we will make a final determination as we get closer to the date. See Page 4 for more info.

The April 14th program at Masonic Village was also cancelled and we will also have to evaluate the June 9th program as we get closer to that date. However, we are still looking for volunteer organists to play on the dates that are scheduled. Please see Page 3 for the scheduled dates.

Dickinson Theatre Organ Society and several other ATOS chapters cancelled their upcoming programs and ATOS postponed their annual convention from July 2020 until July 2021.

Since many of our upcoming theatre organ venues have been cancelled, some of our theatre organists have been posting organ and piano mini concerts on YouTube and Facebook. Larry included links to some of these sites on Page 3 of this newsletter for those of you who have internet access.

In the meantime, until this Coronavirus pandemic subsides, we just need to stay safe, practice the guidelines that are given to us by the medical experts, and follow the state mandates. Eventually this will pass and we can get back to normal.

Barry Howard

SVTOS 2019-2020 SEASON	
Sunday, April 19th 3:00 PM	MEETING CANCELLED
Monday, May 11 7:00 PM	Annual SVTOS Business Meeting and Election followed by video about the newly- installed Nathan Barr Wurlitzer (formerly installed in Fox Studios, Hollywood, CA) and Open Console. Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Monday, June 15* 7:00 PM	Dan Minervini Showcase, Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Saturday afternoon August 1*	SVTOS Picnic at the home of Richard Neidich and Ed Horvath, Lewisberry, PA, featuring an out-of-town guest organist at the 3/51 Walker Digital Theatre Organ
* Indicates meetings NOT held on the usual second Monday of the month and/or at a different time or location	

"SVTOS Plays For The Movies"

ALL MOVIES ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

"SVTOS Plays at Masonic Village," Elizabethtown, PA

Tuesday April 14th @ 7PM - CANCELLED

Tuesday June 9th @ 7PM - OPEN

Tuesday August 11th @ 7PM - OPEN

Tuesday October 13th @ 7PM - OPEN

Tuesday December 10 @ 7:00 PM Annual SVTOS Christmas Spectacular—OPEN TO ALL

*Please contact Ken Kline at 717-564-7513 or <u>krkline38@gmail.com</u> to volunteer to play on any of these <u>dates.</u>

Are you experiencing withdrawal from Theatre Organ music? If you have internet service, you can click on one of these links for a quick "fix."

<u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society YouTube</u>
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Jelani Eddington and Donnie Rankin

David Gray (2020)

Zach Frame

Ken Double

Phil Kelsall

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Richard Hills

Nathan Avakian

David Gray (2014)

DTOS - The Magic Is The Sound

Zach Frame – Covid-19 Quarantine Concert (Organ

Piper Pizza, Greenfield, WI)

Justin Stahl Live on Facebook (3/26/2020)

Mark Herman's impromptu piano request Facebook

"concerts"

<u>Playing some old music — although perhaps it</u>

will be new music to you! (3/25/20)

Playing requests on the piano (3/22/2020)

Take 2: Playing requests on the piano

(3/22/2020)

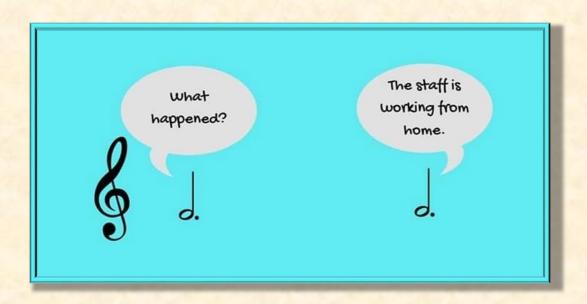
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Something To Look Forward To

SVTOS will hopefully be having a summer picnic this year, now scheduled for Saturday afternoon, August 1st. Richard Neidich and Edward Horvath moved to Lewisberry, PA, last year and this winter Richard has installed a Walker 3/51 digital theatre organ. Recently Bob Walker has completed a tonal finishing and it will be featured at the picnic. The home includes a 3,000 square foot outdoor deck with kitchen, so food will be a feature. An out-of-town guest organist is planned as well as open console times will be available. More details will follow in the May Windline.



Richard Neidich and Ed Horvath



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