

# The Windline

March 2026



*Susquehanna Valley Theatre  
Organ Society*

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## MEMBERS' SHOWCASE

**MONDAY MARCH 9TH, 7:00 PM**

**CAPITOL THEATRE, YORK, PA**

Pre-Movie organists will share some of their tunes they have used to welcome Capitol Theatre movie audiences. Scheduled organists include:



**ROBERT CARBAUGH**

**GARY COLLER**

**LARRY FENNER**

**GLENN HOUGH**

**BARRY HOWARD**

**DON SCHOEPS**

**ROY WAINWRIGHT**

**YOU??**

Hopefully Spring is just around the corner and the threat of snow will be behind us. Richard Neidich and Ed Horvath are spending their usual Winter escape in Florida and will not be here for our March meeting, so I will be filling in for Richard on March 9<sup>th</sup>.

Fortunately, we were able to have our open consoles in January and February and avoid the snowstorms and our members were able to get some practice time on the Capitol Wurlitzer. Open consoles are available to all SVTOS members, even if you are not a regular organist who plays for the Capitol movies.

Our upcoming meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup> at the Capitol Theatre in York at 7:00 PM will Showcase seven of our regular pre-movie organists who will be playing some of their favorite selections. Each organist will play between 10-15 minutes.

The April 27<sup>th</sup> SVTOS meeting at the Capitol will feature Declan Poole, the young British organist who won the 2025 ATOS Young Theatre Organist Competition. This will be his first time playing for SVTOS.

Our May SVTOS program will be on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 PM at the home of Larry Fenner and Barry Howard in Lebanon, PA. Our organist will be Dan Minervini from Massapequa, New York. Dan previously played for SVTOS in March 2014, and he also won the ATOS Young Theatre Organist Competition in 2015.

Our June program will be held at the Capitol Theatre in Chambersburg, PA on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from Noon until 2:00 PM. This is a departure from our regular meetings at the Capital Theatre in York on Monday evenings. Our annual SVTOS picnic will again be held at the home of Richard Neidich and Ed Horvath in Lewisberry, PA, on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. More details about these meetings will be released in future editions of *The Windline*.

The 2026 ATOS Convention will be sponsored by the Rochester Theatre Organ Society (RTOS) and will be held in Rochester, New York, from July 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> featuring many great organs and artists. ***This convention should not be missed!*** For more detailed information check out the [RTOS Convention website](#) which contains the [convention video](#), [schedule summary](#), and the [registration information](#).

Happy Spring!

Barry Howard

SVTOS Vice President



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Ed Horvath - Hospitality

Gary Coller, Don Kinnier, Ken Kline, Terry Nace, Don Schoeps, and Judy Townsend

## SVTOS 2025-2026 SEASON

Monday, March 9 7:00 PM	Members' Showcase, Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Monday, April 27* 7:00 PM	Declan Poole Showcase (ATOS 2025 Young Organist Competition Winner from Great Britain), Capitol Theatre, York, PA*
Saturday, May 16* 2:30 PM	Dan Minervini Showcase, Howard-Fenner Residence, Lebanon PA.*
Saturday, June 8* 12:00 until 2:00 PM	Visit to see and hear (via live and 20-year-old recordings) the 4/19 Moller Theatre Organ in the Capitol Theatre, Chambersburg, PA. Details to follow*
Saturday July 18 (times to follow)*	Annual SVTOS Picnic, Neidich-Horvath Residence, Lewisberry, PA*

\* Indicates meetings **NOT** held on the usual second Monday of the month and/or at a different time or location



### DAY LIGHT SAVING TIME 2026!!

Don't forget to move your clocks one hour forward

on Sunday March 8th

### "SVTOS Plays For The Movies"

Hear these SVTOS members play the Wurlitzer 30 minutes before listed times at the Capitol Theatre.

Consult the Capitol Theatre Website ([Click here](#)) for the details and admission prices.

- Sunday, March 1, 3:00 PM, Oscar Nominated Short Films 2026 (Animation) – **GARY COLLER**
- Thursday, March 5, 7:00 PM, Oscar Nominated Short Films 2026 (Live Action) – **GARY COLLER**
- Friday, March 6, 6:30 PM, *Monsters Inc* (First Friday Free Family Film Series) – **ROY WAINWRIGHT**
- Sunday, March 15, 3:00 PM, Oscar Nominated Short Films 2026 (Documentary) – **BARRY HOWARD**
- Friday, March 27, 7:00 PM, Anime Night – *Supernatural* – **ROY WAINWRIGHT**
- Saturday, March 28, 7:00 PM, *Don't Look Back* (Art House Film Series - Documentary) – **LARRY FENNER**
- Sunday, March 29, 3:00 PM, *The Sound of Music* – **GLENN HOUGH**



### Are YOU the next SVTOS President?



If so, the SVTOS Leadership Committee wants to hear from YOU! Unfortunately, Richard Neidich will not be running for another term as SVTOS President. If you would like to run for the next SVTOS President, please contact any of the members of the SVTOS Leadership Committee listed at the bottom of Page 2 to let us know. The election for SVTOS Officers will be held soon! Thank you!

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

Sunday, March 15 3:00 PM	Silent Films <i>Coney Island</i> and <i>The Cook</i> , both starring Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle and Buster Keaton, accompanied by Tedde Gibson, <a href="#">Weinberg Center for the Arts, Frederick, MD</a>
Friday, March 20 7:00 PM	Silent Film <i>The Kid</i> , starring Charlie Chaplin, 105th Anniversary, accompanied by <b>Don Kinnier</b> , Capitol Theatre, York, PA. See additional information below.
Saturday, March 21 2:00 PM	Peter Richard Conte, <a href="#">Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</a> , Wilmington, DE.
Saturday, April 12 3:00 PM	Silent Film <i>Chicago</i> accompanied by Tedde Gibson, <a href="#">Weinberg Center for the Arts, Frederick, MD</a>
Saturday, May 2 2:00 PM	Nathan Avakian, <a href="#">Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</a> , Wilmington, DE.
July 6-10, 2026	<a href="#">ATOS 2026 Annual Convention, Rochester, NY</a>

*Click on the underlined links to find additional information, including location and cost, for these events.*



### 105th Anniversary Screening with Live Organ Accompaniment

Charlie Chaplin was already an international star when he decided to break out of the short-film format and make his first full-length feature.

*THE KID* doesn't merely show Chaplin at a turning point, when he proved that he was a serious film director, it remains an expressive masterwork of silent cinema. In it, he stars as his lovable Tramp character, this time raising an orphan (a remarkable young Jackie Coogan) he has rescued from the streets. Chaplin and Coogan make a miraculous pair in this nimble marriage of sentiment and slapstick, a film that is, as its opening title card states, "a picture with a smile, and perhaps, a tear."

This 105th Anniversary screening features Live Theatre Organ Accompaniment by **DON KINNIER** on the Mighty Wurlitzer!

#### Buy Tickets

**Date:** March 20, 2026

**Time:** 7:00 PM

**Venue:** Capitol Theatre

**Duration:** 1 hour 8 minutes

**Rating:** NR

**Price:** All Tickets \$8



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