

The Windline

Susquehanna Valley Chapter - ATOS

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From a 'Dusty corner'

It takes many hands to keep SVTOS running and moving it forward. Among those currently giving generously of their time and talent

are: Sam Groh, Past President and advisor to the President; Gary Coller, Vice President and Chair of the Program Committee, Roy Wainwright, Secretary, Newsletter Editor and Webmaster, Emmitte Miller, Treasurer, Herb Inge, Membership Chair and Terry Nace, Supervising Technician.

Also, Don Kinnier and Judy Townsend provide the hospitality at the meetings and Larry Fenner and Barry Howard are working to update our by-laws and complete an application for tax exempt status. These dedicated folks form the core of the Leadership Team and I am deeply grateful for all they do. On behalf of all the members—thank you!

But many of these folks are "covering" several other jobs as well. That's why SVTOS needs your support! Here are some ways you can contribute to the organization and get a feeling of personal satisfaction and accomplishment. For example: If you have some ideas for programs and would be willing to make some contacts you could serve with Gary on the Program Committee. Or you could give just a few hours a month to the role of Artist-Theatre Liaison—scheduling members to play for the movies at the theatre. How about Equipment and Stage Manager—making sure the organ is up and the stage is ready before meetings and closing up afterward. Perhaps you would like to be Recordings Manager—handling our small collection of CDs and DVDs and helping it grow.

Think about it and give me a call: 717-795-2775 or email Pres@SVTOS.org. SVTOS needs you!

- Dusty



Next Meeting: May 11 **TIM SCHRAMM SHOWCASE** **7:30 PM Capitol Theatre, York** **(Regular Members only)**

Tim Schramm is a native of Rochester, NY. He started playing the piano at the age of 6. At the age of 10 he was introduced to the Mighty Wurlitzer at the Auditorium Theatre in Rochester and it was love at first sight. Since that time the organ has become his passion. He played

his first church service at the age of 11. Since then he continues to play church services, weddings, funerals, organ dedications and theatre organ concerts. He has never had any formal organ lessons.

While living in Buffalo Tim became involved with the Buffalo area Chapter of the American Theatre Organ Society. He is one of their past Presidents. He was the unofficial House Organist for the Shea's Buffalo Center for the Performing Arts where he played their 4/29 Wurlitzer.

Mr. Schramm had been in the piano and organ business for almost 25 years specializing in church organ installations. He has since left retail altogether and now makes his living as a full time musician. He is currently an Accompanist for the Rochester City School District and Artist in Residence and Director of Music Ministries at Wesley United Methodist Church in Rochester.



The Strand-Capitol wants to offer the SVTOS members complimentary tickets for our upcoming *100 Years of Hollywood* on Friday, May 8 at 7:30pm. You can [click here](#) for more information about the show. Just mention that you are a SVTOS member when you call in to get your tickets (for a member and a guest).

Thank you again for another year of playing before the classic films! - Donna Nicklow

ATOS ADULT CAMP

Gig Harbor • Washington • August 11-14, 2008

Patti Simon-Zollman



Charlie Balogh



Jonas Nordwall



In response to the overwhelming success of the Summer Youth Camp, ATOS is pleased to announce its first-ever Adult Camp for participants 26 years of age and older. The location for this year's camp will be the incomparable Wurlitzer Manor in Gig Harbor, Washington, featuring the 4/48 Wurlitzer pipe organ. Charlie Balogh and Patti Simon-Zollman will be the primary instructors, with teaching assistance from Jonas Nordwall. Don't miss out on this opportunity to study the theatre organ with some of the finest organists in the world!

For more information, please visit us online at www.atos.org or contact Donna Parker at: d.parker@atos.org

FOR SALE:

Hammond A101 organ (24 pedals) and model 47 Leslie speaker - furniture in good shape. Purchased in 1961. A trumpet playing friend of mine from Lebanon Community Concert Band has it in the estate of his parents. Interested parties can contact me and I will connect them with the estate executor.

Lee Moyer

Serve by Playing:

Join other members of SVTOS who are taking turns playing for residents at Country Meadows in Lancaster the first Sunday of each month. One hour programs. Older two-manual Allen digital.

For more information, call Gary Coller, 610-678-5690.

Masonic Magic!

We now are scheduled for concerts at the Masonic Home in Elizabethtown.

May 19th (Glenn Hough)
Sep 15th (Silent Movie)
Dec 15th (our Christmas program)

From the Garden State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.:

From 2006 thru 2009 we have been running a series of articles in our Pedals and Pipes newsletter about Theatre Pipe Organs, their parts, how they work, and their manufacturers.

The material has been collected together and reworked into a cohesive 20 page manuscript for your reading enjoyment and use.

Feel free to print it out, copy it, and share it with others who may want to learn more about these marvelous instruments!

["Everything you always wanted to know about Theatre Pipe Organs, but were afraid to ask."](#) (We have added this to SVTOS web site under Capitol Organ).

Upcoming Events

May 2	Don Kinnier —Bentzwood Film Festival 2009 8PM Blue Bell, PA (see box below)
May 9	Dick Smith , Free State, Baltimore http://www.geocities.com/fstos1984/
May 11	Tim Schramm Showcase , Capitol Theatre, York, 7:30PM (regular members only)
May 15	Jonas Nordwall , Octave Hall, Macungie (SOLD OUT) http://www.allenorgan.com/www/news/mainconcerts.html
May 19	Glenn Hough , Masonic Home, Elizabethtown, 7PM
June 7	Don Kinnier & Judy Townsend , Free State, Baltimore 3PM http://www.geocities.com/fstos1984/
June 8	Registration Workshop II , Capitol Theatre, York, 7:30PM (all members)

Betzwood Film Festival 2009 - Saturday, May 2 - 8:00 pm
at [Montgomery County Community College: Science Center Theater](#)
340 De Kalb Pike (Route 202) Blue Bell, PA (North of Norristown, PA)

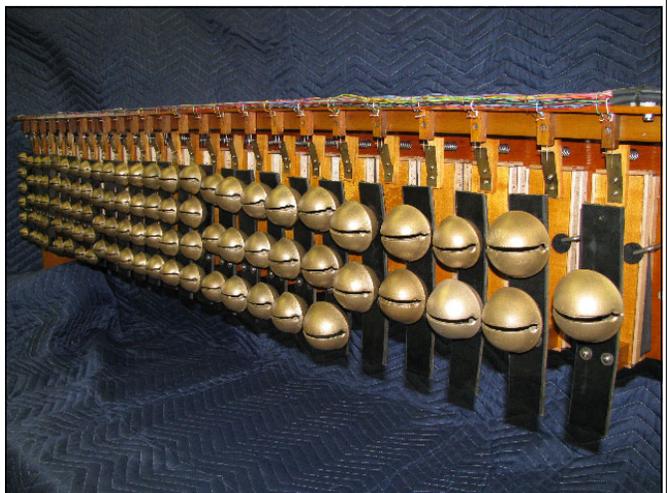
Secrets of the Betzwood Archive Special Twentieth Anniversary Show! Train wrecks, Roman orgies, the Schuylkill River in flames, and Betzwood's role in the First World War, all this and more will be revealed when the vaults of the Betzwood Film Archive are opened for our special Twentieth Anniversary show. Along with our usual sampling of Betzwood films, we will present the complete history of the Betzwood studios with narration, vintage photographs, and rare footage never seen by the public before. Find out what it took to produce America's first disaster movie. See why Marie Dressler would not win on "Dancing with the Stars." With narration by Professor Joseph Eckhardt, musical accompaniment by the everpopular Don Kinnier, and sound effects Judy Townsend and her 'Foley Crew', it's sure to be an earthshaking event.

For Tickets call the Box Office 215-641-6518. General Admission (no seat Assignments) \$8.00

Longwood Gardens Organ Update

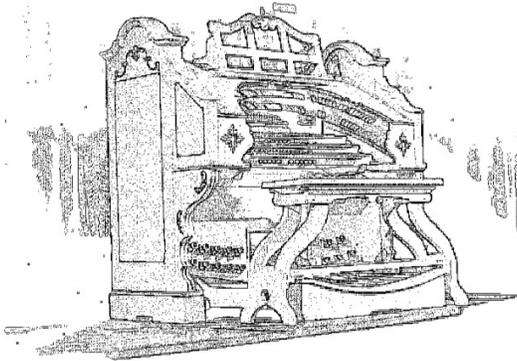
The Longwood organ is coming along well and one of the newest pieces of the instrument just arrived and will be included when the instrument comes back on line. Here's a photo of the latest improvement to the 4/146.

If you would like to view the stoplist, here's a link to follow: <http://www.longwoodgardens.org/docs/OrganStops.pdf>



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Important Upcoming Events

> May 11, 2009

Tim Schramm

Showcase

> June 8, 2009

Wurlitzer 'Goodies'

7:30PM Capitol