

The Windline

Susquehanna Valley Chapter - ATOS

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May 2010

Accompaniment Workshop

by Don Kinnier



Monday May 10, 2010 Capitol Theatre 7:00 PM

Every one of us has or will have to accompany a vocalist or instrumentalist sometime or other (maybe often). Don will explain and demonstrate the right way, the wrong way and all the stops (pardon the pun) in between.

Come and bring your questions, experiences and learn how to make it fun!

Annual Meeting and Election of Officers - see page 2

OPEN CONSOLE ALL DAY MAY 10 - Call DON 717-254-6097

From a 'Dusty Corner'

You may recall that we had to stop offering organ concerts to the public because, even at \$20 each, ticket sales would not cover the cost of the theatre and the artist. The Board of Directors of the Strand-Capitol Performing Arts Center was kind enough to subsidize one or two concerts, but they could not go beyond that. Since then we have limited our meetings to members and guests.

The determination by the IRS of non-profit status opens up many new opportunities. As a non-profit, individuals and businesses are more inclined



to support us since they can deduct it from their income tax!! So, under the leadership of Larry Fenner and Barry Howard, we are beginning the preparations for a public concert with hopes that we can do at least one per year. A public concert is a vital part of our mission to "preserve and present the theatre pipe organ."

There is a lot to do—develop a budget, select an artist, negotiate with the theatre, solicit donors and sponsors, develop advertising and promotional materials and the list goes on. The target date is October, 2011. The goal is to fill the house and meet our expenses. It's an exciting venture and you can be a part of it. If you would like to participate in any way, or if you know of people or organizations we should contact, please call Larry or Barry, 717-274-2254, or me, 717-795-2775.

In the meantime, we'll continue to enjoy listening to and learning about the theatre pipe organ at our outstanding monthly meetings. This month's meeting will include our Annual Meeting and election of officers, a workshop on accompanying singers and other musicians and open console. We'll have another great showcase artist in June. Come on out and enjoy the fellowship and great organ music. Parking on the street is free after 6:30 p.m.

All the best, Dusty

Annual Meeting

During our April meeting, along with a silent movie with a wonderful accompaniment by Don Kinnier and Open Console, members voted on two amendments to our By-Laws. The first simply states that we are a non-profit organization. The other moves our Annual Meeting to May to better accommodate our seasonal schedule. Both amendments passed.

Accordingly, we will hold our Annual Meeting on Monday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m. followed by an organist workshop and Open Console. All members are urged to attend. Along with brief reports from the leadership, the agenda includes election of officers and two proposals regarding dues.

The following people have been nominated for the 2010-2011 season:

President: Dusty Miller

Vice President and Program Chair: Ken Kline Secretary and Newsletter Editor: Roy Wainwright

Treasurer: Emmitte Miller

Nominations are open until the election. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please contact Sam Groh, 717-534-2470, or TallPipes@MSN.com.

The first proposal concerning dues seeks to recognize those local members who are also members of the national organization, ATOS, and encourage local members to join by reducing the local dues from \$40 to \$30 for ATOS members. The second proposal is an effort to bring our chapter in line with others by recognizing all members of a household under one membership rather than our current system of individual memberships. Your leadership recommends approval of both these proposals.



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 <u>DustyandBarbara@Verizon.net</u>.

Free State Theatre Organ Schedule

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

More Open Console!!

The Mighty Wurlitzer at the Capitol Theatre will be available for practice and Open Console all day Monday, May 10 (our regular meeting day). Host will be Don Schoeps.

Playing members: If you would like 30- to 60-minutes on the Wurlitzer call Don, 717-254-6097.

Listening members: You are cordially invited to come in to hear the organ. Just call the host to let him know when you plan to arrive so he can have the side door open for you.

Scholarship Fund

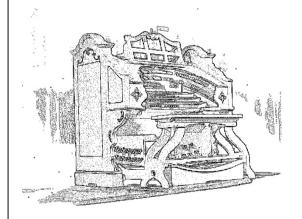
A Scholarship Fund has been set up to provide money for talented young organists to attend the ATOS Youth Summer Camp. To make your tax-deductible contribution to this fund, make your check payable to SVTOS, note "Scholarship Fund" in the memo line and send it (or give it) to our Treasurer, Emmitte Miller, 4017 Woodspring Lane, York, PA 17402-7527. If you would like more information about this scholarship fund and/or possible candidates, please call Dusty, 717-795-2775, or email Pres@SVTOS.org.

York Revolutions Baseball Opening Night

Just a short note to let you all know Don did a fantastic job at the organ for opening night of the York Revolutions! It was really cool to have live organ music instead of the canned stuff they usually use.

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Important Upcoming Events >Monday May 10, 2010 Don Kinnier Accompaniment Workshop Annual Meeting & Election Capitol Theatre 7:00 to 9:00 Plus All Day Open Console!

Monday June 14, 2010Michael Xavier LundyCapitol Theatre 7:00 to 9:00