



December 2013

# 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

# Peace!



**Tuesday Dec. 10, 7:00PM**  
**Masonic Village, Elizabethtown**  
**Our Christmas Spectacular!**

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## **HOWIE'S CORNER:**

Our November 10th program featured a silent movie at the Allen Theatre in Annville, PA, which was also open to the public. SVTOS members were admitted free as part of our schedule for this season. Don Kinnier played a short 30 minute concert before the movie on the 3 manual digital Hauptwerk theatre organ, after which he accompanied the one hour silent movie comedy "College" starring Buster Keaton. As always, Don did an excellent job and the audience thoroughly enjoyed the program. This was our first silent movie program open to the public and I was hoping for a larger turnout. We are planning to do a series of these silent movie programs next year to build up an audience. The theatre owner, Skip Hicks, is delighted with the organ and has been very supportive of SVTOS. We would like to thank Skip for his support of the theatre organ and SVTOS. You can also hear the organ 30 minutes prior to the 7:30 PM movies on selected weekends. We also plan to have some Saturday morning open consoles on the organ after the new year.

Join us on Tuesday evening December 10th at 7:00 PM in the Health Center at the Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA, as we present our annual Christmas program to the residents and staff. All SVTOS members are invited to attend this program. The residents and staff always appreciate these programs and they are a lot of fun for our members as well.

Open console days are scheduled at the Capitol Theatre on Monday January 20th and Monday February 17th. If you would like some practice time on the organ, please contact Don Schoeps at 717-254-6097 or email him at [dschoeps@aol.com](mailto:dschoeps@aol.com).

We still have a few people who have not sent in their dues for this season. Please don't delay -- send your dues in today. We still have two showcase programs remaining for this season with two very talented guest organists. In March Dan Minervini from New York will be our guest organist and in June Bob Eyer from Chambersburg will our guest organist. You don't want to miss any of these programs.

There is still time to donate to our Matching Scholarship Fund before the end of the year. One of our members has agreed to match up to \$500 for any donations to the Scholarship Fund. Your donations may be tax deductible if you itemize on your income tax return.

We had a great 2013 season with some excellent programs and guest organists, including Justin LaVoie, Michael Britt and our own Don Kinnier and Glenn Hough. We also had our third public concert with the internationally recognized organist Mark Herman.

A sincere thanks to our officers and everyone on the Leadership Committee who helped to make this a successful year with their time and talents.

Have a Wonderful Christmas!  
Barry

**Correction:** Photo credit for picture of Dusty & Barbara in Nov. issue should be Don Schoeps.

## Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society Program For 2012 - 13 Season

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

<b>Tuesday Dec. 10 7:00PM</b>	<b>Christmas Program, Masonic Village, Elizabethtown</b>
<b>Monday Jan. 20 All Day</b>	<b>All Day Open Console</b>
<b>Monday Feb. 17 All Day</b>	<b>All Day Open Console</b>
<b>Monday March 10 7:00PM</b>	<b>Guest Organist Dan Minervini</b>
<b>Sunday Apr. 13 2:00-5:00 PM</b>	<b>Sunday Social—Barry, Larry and Opus 501 Home, Lebanon, PA The WurliTZer is finally playing! Tours, demonstrations, and open console.</b>
<b>Monday May 12 7:00PM</b>	<b>Annual Membership meeting, Arranger’s Challenge &amp; Open Console</b>
<b>Monday June 9 7:00PM</b>	<b>Guest Organist Bob Eyer</b>

### Events Calendar

<b>Sunday Dec. 8 3:00 PM</b>	<b>TOSDV—Holiday Musical Extravaganza IV— Wayne Zimmerman, Luke Stasiunas &amp; Laurel &amp; Hardy Silent Movie Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA</b>
<b>Sunday Dec. 8 3:00 PM</b>	<b>Free State—Charles Kokoski—Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD</b>
<b>See Page 4</b>	<b>Don Kinnier at Longwood Gardens (many times!)</b>



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

Photos: Roy Wainwright

Don Kinnier and his birthday cake (Nov 10 silent movie).

## Don Kinnier Entertains at Longwood Gardens

13-14 Christmas Organist Schedule					
DATE		PERFORMANCE TIME	EVENT	LOC	ORGANIST
Sat	Nov 30, 2013	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00 pm	Organ Sing-Alongs	Ballroom	Don Kinnier
Mon	Dec 2, 2013	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00 pm	Organ Sing-Alongs	Ballroom	Don Kinnier
No 12/4 or 12/5		No organ programs due to ticketed event.			
Sat	Dec 7, 2013	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00 7:00, 8:00 pm	Organ Sing-Alongs	Ballroom	Don Kinnier
Mon	Dec 9, 2013	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00 pm	Organ Sing-Alongs	Ballroom	Don Kinnier
Fri	Dec 13, 2013	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00 7:00, 8:00 pm	Organ Sing-Alongs	Ballroom	Don Kinnier
Sat	Dec 21, 2013	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00 7:00, 8:00 pm	Organ Sing-Alongs	Ballroom	Don Kinnier
Tue	Dec 24, 2013	2:00, 3:00, 4:00 pm	Organ Sing-Alongs	Ballroom	Don Kinnier
Fri	Dec 27, 2013	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00 7:00, 8:00 pm	Organ Sing-Alongs	Ballroom	Don Kinnier
Mon	Dec 30, 2013	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00 7:00, 8:00 pm	Organ Sing-Alongs	Ballroom	Don Kinnier

### Masonic Christmas Program—7:00 PM December 10

**Featuring: Ken Kline  
Gary Coller  
Don, Judy and Bella  
Don Schoeps  
Larry Fenner  
Barry Howard**

### CAPITOL THEATRE SCHEDULE:

Sept. 29—Glenn Hough  
Dec. 22—Don Schoeps  
Feb 2nd, 2104—Roy Wainwright

### 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 more information about this scholarship fund and/or possible Barry, (717) 274-2254, or email [Pres@SVTOS.org](mailto:Pres@SVTOS.org).

**These contributions are now tax-deductible!**

**You can also contribute via PayPal on our web site [www.svtos.org](http://www.svtos.org)**

**News: Another Matching Grant Fund (\$500) has been established for contributions made this year!**

would like candidates, please call



**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](http://www.hotpipes.eu/listen.html) and the playlists can be found at [www.hotpipes.eu/playlists-current.html](http://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](http://www.hotpipes.eu) and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/HotPipesRadio](http://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](mailto: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](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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## T'was the Night Before Christmas In Theatre Organ Heaven

'T'was the night before Christmas In heaven's picture house,  
Not a talkie feature was showing, Not even Mickey, the Mouse;  
The curtains were hung from proscenium with care,  
In hopes that St. George, the Wright, soon would be there;

The angels were nestled all snug in their plush velvet seats,  
While cupids of Chrysoglotts danced like sugar plum sweets;  
Now, each toe-hole was opened, and on each Quintadena a cap,  
And every percussion was adjusted, as well as each toy and trap,

When from under the stage there arose such a clatter,  
Angels sprang from their seats to see what was the matter.

There, on a rising console, a spotlight did flash,  
As St. George threw open the shutters,  
And played a cymbal crash.

With flying fingers and feet so lively and quick,  
They knew in a moment it was a comedy short flick.  
More and more thundering, as on the ranks came,  
And they whistled, and shouted, and called them by name;

"Now, DIAPASON ! now, VIOLA ! now, FLUTE and TIBIA CLAUSA!  
On, POSTHORN! on OBOE ! on, TUBA HORN and VOX HUMANA!

To the rooftops of heaven the sound bounced off each wall!  
Play away, play away, Yes! George, Play -- play them all!"

So up on the silver screen the shadows they flew,  
Harold Lloyd, Mary Pickford, and Charlie Chaplin, too.  
Angels laughed at the pratfalls and the jokes on the screen  
As St George used the toy counter to accent each scene.  
With the ringing and tolling of each bell and chime.  
They knew that St. George was having a marvelous time.

They could tell from his playing, from his head to his foot,  
That he was pleased with each honk and hoot, rip and toot,

The Glockenspiel -- how it twinkled! The Xylophone how merry!

The Flutes blossomed like roses, The Trumpet was a cherry!

The Strings resounded as if drawn with a throbbing bow,  
And the sob of the Tibia was as deep as drifted snow;

At the close of the film the console rose still higher,  
And the songs that St. George played  
Displayed the Wurlitzer's power;  
The thunder of the Diaphone, the trill of the Fife;  
The Sizzle of Strings and the Kinura's edge, like a knife.

The sweep of the horseshoe with pistons and tabs in their order

Red, yellow, white and black, in a console with ormolu border.

In a Theatre washed with splendor,  
A heavenly dream of days gone by,  
A dream that's worth the keeping,  
And there are those who try!

If hope springs eternal, ours is of Hope-Jones;  
From labials and linguals, aero- and ideo- phones,  
From tongue tabs and second-touch;  
From Electro-pneumatics, tremulants and such  
To colorful voices, and unified choices of tones.

Together with ranks of others at the keyboard,  
The legacy of Jesse, the humor of Gaylord,  
The perkiness of Ann, the grandeur of Lee,  
Mr. Leibert, and Mr. Baker,  
Delighting listening ears by the acre,  
Showed us truly what pipe organ music could be...

And what a great and glorious sound they did forge,  
But it is the one and the only, the great St. George,  
Who is the one who defined the art,  
The one whose playing a renaissance did start.

I believe in heaven that Christmas Carols ring today,  
As those legends of the organ gather to listen and play,  
And those who are there play a heavenly box of mighty whistles,  
With tones that shower on the earth  
Like the down of snowflakes and thistles.

Ah! But if we could look in on such a fantastic sight,  
Wouldn't our St. George, with the others,  
Exclaim in cheerful delight?

"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL,  
AND TO ALL, A GOOD-NIGHT!"

**From Bobb Partridge, via Don Kinnier**



# Final Notice for Dues!



## DUES

**Dues were due September 10.** Please renew now! Save a stamp and pay Roy at the next meeting. Dues are same as last year, \$40 for non-ATOS members and \$30 for ATOS members (per household).

Or Mail to:

Treasurer, SVTOS c/o Roy Wainwright, 2897 Olde Field Dr. York, PA 17408



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CDs are still available for sale.

Sam Groh has them available at every meeting.

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## **Important Upcoming Events**

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**Christmas Program,**  
**Masonic Village, Elizabethtown**

**Jan. 20**  
**All Day Open Console**  
**Capitol Theatre, York**