The Windline

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Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society

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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 at the Capitol Theatre in York, PA.

It was another great ATOS Convention in Indianapolis, IN, during the first week of July. Total attendance was approximately 460 with six of our members attending. Representing SVTOS were Don and Nancy Schoeps, John and Arlene Volk, Larry Fenner, and myself. We heard outstanding organists on first-class theatre pipe organs. Of particular note were the number of outstanding young organists, including Dan Minervini and Justin LaVoie, both of whom were featured at past SVTOS meetings. There were some new organs since the last Indianapolis Convention in 2008, including the Hilbert Circle Theatre's 3/24 WurliTzer and the Cincinnati Music Hall Ballroom's 3/31 WurliTzer. It was another memorable ATOS Convention. Next year's Convention will be held in Philadelphia, so don't miss it!

Instead of our usual summer picnic this year, we are having a "Theatre Organ Day at the Allen Theatre" on <u>Sunday August 31st</u> from 1:30 pm until 3:30 pm (please note the change of date from our normal program schedule). Six of our members will play the 3-manual Hauptwerk organ and Don Kinnier will accompany the short silent movie comedy "Be My Wife" starring Max Linder (see Page 3 for information). This program is FREE to all SVTOS members and also to the general public, so invite your friends! After the program, food, beverages, and desserts will be available for purchase at MJ's Coffeehouse, which is adjacent to the Allen Theatre (see Pages 3 & 4 and the July "Windline" for details about the venue).

Our new 2014-2015 Season starts on Monday September 8th at 7:00 pm at the Capitol Theatre in York. The program will be the video "Organ Stop Pizza and the Mighty WurliTzer." Organ Stop Pizza like you've never seen or heard before! Informative and entertaining at the same time. This documentary takes you to places few have seen – behind the scenes and deep into the Organ Stop WurliTzer. There is also commentary and music by organists by Lew Williams and Charlie Balogh. Following the video we will have Open Console on the Capitol WurliTzer.

Our <u>October 6th</u> program (also a change of date from our normal program schedule) will feature guest organist John Lauter from Farmington Hills, MI. You may remember John's outstanding performance for us in 2010. Not only is John an accomplished theatre organist, but he is also the curator of a private museum (cars, automated musical instruments, etc.) in Michigan and is currently actively involved in the installation of a WurliTzer theatre pipe organ (the former Milhous WurliTzer) in the museum. John also has a passion for antique cars – particularly Packards. He makes it a point to attend the AACA Car Show in Hershey every October, so we are very fortunate to have him perform for us at the Capitol again this year.

It's time again to renew your membership for the 2014-2015 season (Membership Renewal Form is enclosed). Dues are payable to Roy Wainwright and are due by September 1st. If you are not currently a member, please take advantage of our "New Member Offer" of \$25.00 for the first year of your household membership. We welcome new members and we need to increase our membership in order to continue to bring you talented guest organists.

See you at the Allen Theatre on August 31st!

Barry Howard

"Be My Wife"



Plot Summary

Max and Mary are in love, but Mary's Aunt Agatha dislikes Max, and instead prefers the unappealing Simon. So Max has to resort to a series of ruses to try to get Simon out of the way, and to be able to spend time with Mary.

Finally, Max comes up with a scheme that might allow him to prove to Aunt Agatha that he is more worthy than Simon.

Cast

- Max Linder Max, the Fiancé
- <u>Alta Allen</u> Mary, the Girl
- Caroline Rankin Aunt Agatha
- Lincoln Stedman Archie
- Rose Dione Madame Coralie
- Charles McHugh Mr. Madame Coralie
- Viora Daniel Mrs. Du Pont
- Arthur Clayton Mr. Du Pont

Release Date

April 2, 1921

Allen Theatre and MJ's Coffeehouse



<u>From Lancaster</u>: Use Rt. 72 North to 322 West. Rt. 322 West 3 miles to Rt. 934 North. Rt. 934 North about 3 miles to traffic light in Annville. Patrons can r cross over Rt. 422 and park behind Fulton Bank after banking hours. The Allen Theatre is one half block east of the traffic light on Rt. 422. Street parking is also available.

<u>From Harrisburg</u>: Colonial Park Area - Use Rt. 22 East or 81 North (Exit 85A) to Annville, Route 934 South. Rt. 934 South for about 7 miles to traffic light in Annville. Just before light, patrons may park behind Fulton Bank after banking hours. The Allen Theatre is one half block east of the traffic light on Rt. 422. Street parking is also available.

Harrisburg and West Shore Area - Rt. 322 East to Rt. 422 East (just before Hershey) through center of Hershey, Palmyra, and into Annville. At the traffic light, patrons can park behind Fulton Bank after banking hours. The Allen Theatre is one half block east of the traffic light on Rt. 422. Street parking is also available. Alternate route: Rt. 81 North to exit 85A (Rt. 934, Annville. Take Route 934 South for about 7 miles to traffic light in Annville. Just before the light, patrons may park behind Fulton Bank (after banking hours) or travel just beyond light and park behind the Sunoco station.

<u>From Reading</u>: Use Rt. 422 West through Lebanon, Cleona, and into Annville. We are 7 minutes from Lebanon on Rt. 422. Use street parking or pass theatre to traffic light and park behind Fulton Bank after banking hours.

From York: Rt. 83 North to 322 East to 422 East (just before Hershey) through center of Hershey, Palmyra, and Annville. At traffic light, patrons can park behind Fulton Bank (after banking hours) or behind Sunoco. The Allen Theatre is one half block east of the traffic light on Rt. 422. Street parking is also available. Alternate route: Rt. 83 North to Rt. 81 North to exit 85A (Rt. 934, Annville). Take Route 934 South for about 7 miles to traffic light in Annville. Just before the light, patrons may park behind Fulton s Bank after banking hours.

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Masonic Village Schedule

August 12, 7:00 PM Gary Coller October 15, 7:00 PM Ken Kline December 9, 7:00 PM Annual Christmas Program featuring many SVTOS members

Scholarship Fund

A Scholarship Fund has been established to provide money for talented young organists to attend the ATOS Summer Youth Adventure. 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. You can also contribute via PayPal on our web site www.svtos.org. If you would like more information about this scholarship fund or to nominate possible candidates, please call Barry Howard at (717) 274-2254, or email Pres@SVTOS.org. These contributions are now tax-deductible!

THANK YOU to all the SVTOS members who have contributed to the Scholarship Fund. Because of your very generous donations we will again be able to send Connor Ream and Dan Umholtz to the ATOS Summer Youth Adventure in Portland, Oregon. This is a very important program that assures the future of the theatre organ and its music.

"A Capitol Idea!"

SVTOS' CDs featuring Ken Double and the Bob Clay Orchestra are still available for sale by Sam Groh at every meeting.



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SVTOS 2014-2015 SEASON

Monday, Sept. 8 7:00 PM	Video: "Organ Stop Pizza and the Mighty Wurlitzer" Followed by Open Console
Monday, Oct. 6* 7:00 PM	Showcase: Organist JOHN LAUTER, Farmington Hills, MI
Sunday, Nov. 9* 1:30 – 3:30 PM	DON KINNIER accompanies the Silent Film "The Kid" starring Charlie Chaplin Allen Theatre, Annville, PA (open to the public)
Tuesday, Dec. 9* 7:00 PM	SVTOS Annual Christmas Program Masonic Village, Elizabethtown, PA
Monday, Jan. 19*	Open Console at the Capitol Theatre WurliTzer Martin Luther King Day
Monday, Feb. 16*	Open Console at the Capitol Theatre WurliTzer President's Day
Monday, March 9 7:00 PM	Video: "Mark Anderson Live at the Capitol Theatre, York, PA" featuring a cameo appearance by TERRY NACE. Followed by Open Console
Monday, April 6* 7:00 PM	Showcase: Featuring SVTOS' own CONNOR REAM and DAN UMHOLTZ
Monday, May 11th 7:00 PM	Annual SVTOS Membership Meeting and Arrangers' Challenge Followed by Open Console
Monday, June 8 7:00 PM	Showcase: Organist JUSTIN NIMMO, Indianapolis, IN

PLEASE NOTE: * indicates meetings not scheduled on usual second Monday of the month. All meetings will be held at the Capitol Theatre, York, PA, unless otherwise noted.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Saturday, Aug. 2nd 8:00 PM	Bernie Anderson accompanies "The General," Brook Theatre, Bound Brook, NJ, Garden State Theatre Organ Society
Sunday, Sept. 14 3:00 PM	GLENN HOUGH, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD <u>Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.</u>
Sunday, Sept. 21 2:00 PM	Clark Wilson accompanies Harold Lloyd's "Shy Girl" Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley
Sunday, Sept. 28 3:00 PM	John Baratta, Silent Film Series, "Metropolis" <u>Grand Theatre</u> , East Greenville, PA
Sunday, Oct. 5 3:00 PM	Public Concert, Lowe's Jersey Theatre, Jersey City, NJ (artist and movie TBD) Garden State Theatre Organ Society
Saturday, Oct. 11 7:00 PM	Richard Hills, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE
Sunday, Oct. 19 3:00 PM	John Baratta, Silent Film Series, "Faust" Grand Theatre, East Greenville, PA
Sunday, Oct. 26 2:00 PM	Halloween Silent Movie, "Phantom of the Opera" Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley
Saturday, Nov. 1 7:00 PM	Don Kinnier, Silent Film Series, "The Cat and the Canary" <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE
Sunday, Nov. 2 3:00 PM	George Batman, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.
Saturday, Nov. 22 7:00 PM	David Gray, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE
Sunday, Nov. 23 3:00 PM	John Baratta and Carl Black (piano/organ duet), Silent Film Series, "Safety Last" <u>Grand Theatre</u> , East Greenville, PA
Sunday, Nov. 29 2:00 PM	Annual Holiday Concert, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley
Sunday, Dec. 7 3:00 PM	Mark Hurley, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.

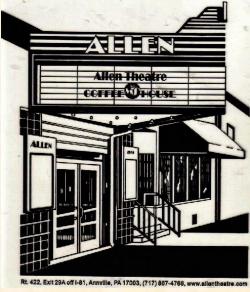
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SVTOS Plays For The Movies

Hear these SVTOS Members play the WurliTzer from 2:30 to 3:00pm before select Sunday matinees at the Capitol Theatre:

September 28th: Gary Coller "Manhattan Shorts"
December 21st: Glenn Hough "White Christmas"

Allen Theatre and MJ's Coffeehouse





Hear SVTOS members play the 3 manual Digital Hauptwerk theatre organ 30 minutes prior to the 7:30 PM movies on selected weekends at the

Allen Theatre

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From Don and Nancy Schoeps:

"DOING OUR PART..."

Last month, in a "Travel Update" we write, Nancy and I quipped that we should all "Do Our Part" to help preserve and present our beloved Theatre Organs. My neighbor quipped in response that HE was doing his part by featuring Theatre Organs in his Science Fiction book series, to which I and several of you contributed suggestions. It struck me that I should "Do My Part" toward him by reminding you that his series is available at Amazon. The first book, "Gettysburg Revisited," sets the stage for the second, "History Quest," which features the frantic rescue of a Theatre Organ from fiery destruction, using Time Travel technology and enough stealthy James Bond antics to hide the theft from "History." Along the way, we readers are treated to a wealth of Central PA history tidbits and glimpses of famous and not-so-famous characters in our own "History!" My neighbor Shand Stringham has enjoyed several of our shows and meetings – thank him next time you see him for "doing his part!"

THANKS TO GLENN

We all thank fellow SVTOS member Glenn Hough for facilitating our Open Console on the peerless Kimball Theatre Organ at Dickinson High School June 27! For those of us who made the trip, playing that grand instrument, sounding those pipes that so many great players from around the world have played and enjoyed, has been a thrill of a lifetime! Thank you Glenn!

Two Organs Free To A Good Home!

1) A friend of Don Kinnier has a Yamaha organ (see picture below). Due to Parkinson's disease he is no longer able to play and is offering the instrument for free to anyone who would like it. Don recently played it and it works well and sounds OK. Not a horseshoe but set up with T.O. type voicing. If interested, contact Don Kinnier at (717) 627-5055 or KTShows@ptd.net.



2) Wurlitzer electronic organ Model #4410, 2-manual, 13-pedals with speaker cabinet. New motor, plays. Located in Hamlin, PA, Call Pat at 717-813-9998.