# The Windline December 2014



# 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.

### SVTOS Annual Christmas Concert Masonic Village, 1 Masonic Drive Elizabethtown, PA 17022 Tuesday, December 9th at 7:00 PM

All SVTOS members are invited to attend the SVTOS Christmas Concert at Masonic Village. This year's program will feature SVTOS members Gary Coller, Larry Fenner, Barry Howard, Don Kinnier, Don Schoeps, and Judy Townsend, with a special guest appearance by Bella the Wonder Dog! Come to hear your favorite Christmas carols and popular songs played on the 3-manual Allen digital theatre organ, followed by the Grande Finale featuring a sing-along and a rousing rendition of Jingle Bells featuring organ and piano accompanied with state-of-the-art sound effects!

Directions: In Elizabethtown, follow the signs to Masonic Village posted throughout the town. When you get to Masonic Village, follow Freemason Drive to the Heath Care Center (pictured below). The program will be held in the Roosevelt Assembly Room.



## SVTOS 2014-2015 SEASON

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 "legs" NACE. Followed by Open Console	
Monday, April 6* 7:00 PM	Showcase: Featuring SVTOS' own CONNOR REAM and DAN UMHOLTZ	
Monday, May 11th	Annual SVTOS Membership Meeting and Arrangers' Challenge	
7:00 PM	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.

We had a successful silent movie program at the Allen Theatre in Annville, PA on Sunday November 9th. We had 75 people in attendance including 11 SVTOS members. There were several children in the audience and they really got into the movie. Don Kinnier's choice of the movie, "The Kid", starring Charlie Chaplin and Jackie Coogan as the kid was spot on and held everyone's attention. As always, Don's accompaniment was excellent and I received a lot of great comments from people in the audience. Several people asked me when we are planning more silent movies. That is a subject we are considering for next year. If we do a silent movie series next year, it will be in addition to our regularly scheduled monthly meetings.

Our next program is our annual Christmas program at Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA on Tuesday evening December 9th at 7:00 PM. Five of our members will play their favorite Christmas selections on the 3 manual Allen theatre organ in the Health Center auditorium. The residents and staff look forward to this program every year, but all SVTOS members are welcome to attend this program.

Monday January 19th and Monday February 16th are open console days at the Capitol Theatre in York. Any SVTOS member may sign up for some practice time on the Wurlitzer. Don Schoeps will host the open consoles again this year. If you would like to schedule some practice time on any of these days, please contact Don at 717-254-6097 or email him at <a href="mailto:dschoeps@aol.com">dschoeps@aol.com</a>.

There are still some people who have not paid their dues for this season. If you haven't, please send them in to Roy Wainwright today. We have been losing members over the last few years, so we really need your dues to continue to function as an organization. And we would welcome NEW MEMBERS. We have a special rate of \$25.00 for the first year for new members.

Christmas is rapidly approaching and it is the season of giving and it is an opportunity to make year-end contributions to your favorite charities. SVTOS is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation and we depend on your dues and donations to continue to provide our programs. Remember we also have a Scholarship Fund and because of your generous donations in the past, we were able to send two of our youngest organists to the ATOS Summer Youth Adventure for the past four years. This year our Scholarship Fund is dangerously low. If the spirit moves you this year, please consider making an extra donation to SVTOS for either the Scholarship Fund or our General Fund for Programs. Roy will be happy to accept any and all donations. Your donations may be tax deductable, but consult your tax professional.

Finally a sincere thanks to our Officers, our Leadership Committee, and all who helped make this another successful year.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Barry Howard

### **Don't Forget To Renew Your Membership**

Send your dues to Roy Wainwright, 2897 Olde Field Dr., York, PA 17408-4256. If you're not sure if you paid for this season, just contact Roy (webmaster@SVTOS.org or 717-792-3408) or Barry Howard (Pres@SVTOS.org or 717-274-2254).

### "A Capitol Idea!"

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



### **SVTOS OFFICERS**

Barry Howard - President
717-274-2254

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717-564-7513

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and Webmaster
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### LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Larry Fenner – "Windline" Editor Herb Inge - Membership Don Kinnier - Hospitality Judy Townsend - Hospitality Gary Coller, Sam Groh, Emmitte Miller, Terry Nace, Connor Ream, and Don Schoeps

### **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 <a href="https://www.svtos.org">www.svtos.org</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:Pres@SVTOS.org">Pres@SVTOS.org</a>. These contributions are now tax-deductible!

THANK YOU to all the SVTOS members who contributed to the Scholarship Fund. Because of your very generous donations we were again be able to send Connor Ream and Dan Umholtz to the 2014 ATOS Summer Youth Adventure in Portland, Oregon. This is a very important program that assures the future of the theatre organ and its music.

Check SVTOS out on Facebook! <a href="http://www.facebook.com/svtos">http://www.facebook.com/svtos</a>

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### **SVTOS Plays For The Capitol Theatre Movies**

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

December 21, 2014: Glenn Hough "White Christmas"

Glenn Hough "Route 30" May 3, 2015:

"First Friday Movies" - Organist plays at 8:30 pm and movie starts at 9:00 pm

December 5, 2014 Gary Coller "Ghostbusters"

January 2, 2015 Roy Wainwright "M. P. Life of Brian" Robert Carbaugh "Spaceballs" February 6, 2015

March 6, 2015 Gary Coller "Pulp Fiction"

April 3, 2015 Robert Pierce "A Clockwork Orange"

May 1, 2015 Robert Pierce "Fight Club"

### DON KINNIER'S Holiday Organ Sing-Along Schedule (30 minutes in length)

Longwood Gardens' Ballroom, US Route 1, Kennett Square, PA

http://longwoodgardens.org/events-and-performances/events/organ-sing-alongs

If you want to know who is playing on a particular day, you can call 610-388-1000 and ask the operator.

Sunday 11/30/14*	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 PM		
Friday 12/05/14	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 PM		
Sunday 12/07/14	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 PM		
Friday 12/12/14	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 PM		
Sunday 12/14/14	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 PM		
Thursday 12/18/14	2:00, 3:00, and 4:00 PM		
Saturday 12/20/14	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 PM		
Friday 12/26/14	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 PM		
Friday 01/02/15	2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 PM		
* Note new date - same times			



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**

36 E. Main Street (Rt. 422) Annville, PA 17003 (717) 867-3545

# COMING ATTRACTIONS

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. 30 2:00 PM	Annual Holiday Concert, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA, Featuring <b>GLENN HOUGH</b> , Luke Staisiunas, and Wayne Zimmerman Sr. <u>Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley</u>
Dec. 4, 7:30 PM Dec, 5, 7:30 PM Dec, 6, 2:00 & 7:00 PM	Annual Allen Organ Staff Holiday Show, Allen Organ Co., Octave Hall, Macungie, Pa. <a href="https://www.allenorgan.com/store/concertseries.html">www.allenorgan.com/store/concertseries.html</a>
Sunday, Dec. 7 3:00 PM	Mark Hurley, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.
Monday, Dec. 29 7:00 PM	"The Midmer-Losh Pipe Organ: Breathing Life Into The Beast" TV program on WVIA (PBS) about the ongoing restoration of the Atlantic City Convention Hall Organ. <a href="http://www.ultimaterestorations.com/midmer-losh">http://www.ultimaterestorations.com/midmer-losh</a> Program may also be available on other PBS stations (check your local listings).
Sunday, Jan. 18 3:00 PM	Tedde Gibson, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.
Friday, Jan. 23 7:30 PM	Cameron Carpenter (playing his new touring organ), Majestic Theatre, Gettysburg, PA www.gettysburgmagestic.org
Saturday, Jan. 31 7:00 PM	Ken Double and Skip Stine, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE
Sunday, Feb. 15 3:00 PM	Charlie Kokoski, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD <a href="Free State Theatre Organ Society">Free State Theatre Organ Society</a> , Inc.
Saturday, March 14 7:00 PM	John Schwandt, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE
Sunday, March 15 3:00 PM	<b>DON KINNIER</b> , Silent Film "The Kid," Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.
Sunday, March 22	Program/Artist to be announced, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA, Featuring  Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley
Saturday, May 2 7:00 PM	Hector Olivera, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE
Sunday, May 3 3:00 PM	Michael Britt, Silent Film, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.
Sunday, June 7 3:00 PM	Frank Vanaman, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD <u>Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.</u>
Saturday, June 13 7:00 PM	Justin LaVoie and Dan Minervini, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE

### The Story Of The WKY Kilgen

Kudos to our old friend and past president, Dusty Miller, who adapted and edited an article that appears in pages 12-16 of the November-December 2014 "Theatre Organ" Journal of the American Theatre Organ Society. This very interesting article presents the story of the 4-manual, 14-rank Kilgen theatre organ that was installed in the WKY Radio broadcasting studio in Oklahoma City in 1934, and traces its journey to the Oklahoma Historical Society where it is currently installed but unfortunately not playing. Dusty is spearheading the effort to rebuild the organ and get it playing once again.

### ----2-Manual, 3-Rank Wicks Pipe Organ For Sale----

I've got a 2/3 wicks I've removed from a residence. It contains a:

- Salicional
- Flute/Bourdon (extends to 16')
- Diapason

The instrument was born a 2/2 for a church in Hamburg PA, removed sometime in the 70's and assembled in its last location. The blower is a Wicks Brand (MFG by Wicks Pipe Organ Co. Highland, Illinois), at 1/2 horse, 5". It's a standard AGO console, in black paint. The chamber occupied a space that was 3x8 when it was installed, and the Diapason was in the room; that said, the diapason could have been easily hung above the existing pipework.

It's complete from shades to blower, pipework to chest, trem to regulator. The organ does need a little work, but was in playing condition when I removed it from the house. The console needs some attention, but the beautiful thing about a Wicks is that the parts are easy to work on. Make me an offer I can't refuse. Organ is located in Williamsport, PA.

I would like to have it gone ASAP within reason, because it would be great to have a garage back as the weather turns cold. Shoot me an email when you're ready to make an offer, or if you have any questions. Asking \$1,800 O.B.O.

Contact Connor Ream at 717-917-9320 or Connormream@yahoo.com



