

The Windline



December 2022



Susquehanna Valley Theatre

Organ Society

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SVTOS CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH AT 2:00 PM
MASONIC VILLAGE, ELIZABETHTOWN, PA**

For the first time since 2019, SVTOS members will present the SVTOS Christmas Extravaganza to the residents of Masonic Village and to SVTOS members. (See Page 4 for directions to Masonic Village). This year Gary Coller, Larry Fenner, Barry Howard, Don Kinnier, and Don Schoeps (artists subject to change) will play holiday favorites on the 3-manual Allen electronic theatre organ.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING COVID-RELATED CHANGES SINCE OUR LAST VISIT TO MASONIC VILLAGE: All SVTOS members who attend are required to wear a mask, except the organist who is currently playing. Everyone will need to sign in and sign out at the kiosk in front of the gift shop at the front entrance. There is a keypad at the kiosk where you enter your name and phone number and a name tag will be generated.

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.





**Richard's
Radar**

We hope everyone had a pleasant Thanksgiving week, like many, the week after is a week of leftovers. At our home, it was more of a family gathering than the past few years.

As an update to our theatre organ events, we will be having the hour program at the Masonic Village for December (details on Page 1). Masks will be required of anyone attending. As we do annually, January and February are Open Console months, coordinated by Don Schoeps in January and Barry Howard in February. (See event schedule on Page 3. Additional details will be in the January and February newsletters.)

Our spring 2023 events begin March 13th with an evening of organ videos including “Stan Kann: The Happiest Man In The World” a retrospective on this organist’s career. (March was to have been Aaron Hawthorne, however, he has cancelled his US tour for 2023.) For April 10th we will have a “Members’ Showcase” where our movie night players can share some of their tunes they have used to welcome Capitol Theatre movie audiences. In May we will be visiting Opus 501 to hear Donnie Rankin hosted by Barry Howard and Larry Fenner. Our June program is currently open. For our summer 2022 “Picnic” the last Saturday in July we will have a piano and organ program at the home of Richard Neidich and Edward Horvath featuring movie themes and orchestral sounds presented by Brett Miller.

This coming weekend on December 4th Claire and Nathan Avakian will be providing a Christmas program at the Colonial Theatre in Phoenixville, PA. Don’t forget that Don Kinner has a holiday playing schedule at Longwood Gardens as well. (See Pages 3 and 4 for details about both of these programs.)

As we approach the year-end holiday events, we are wishing everyone Happy Holidays and wishes for a healthy, prosperous and music filled 2023.



Richard Neidich
President, SVTOS

**A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS
and Happy New Year!**





SVTOS 2022-2023 SEASON

Tuesday, December 6th* 2:00 PM	SVTOS Holiday Extravaganza, Masonic Village, Elizabethtown, PA (See Page 1)
Monday, January 16th* MLK Day	SVTOS Open Console at the Capitol Theatre. Contact Don Schoeps at (717) 254-6097 or dschoeps@aol.com to reserve your playing time.
Monday, February 20th* Presidents; Day	SVTOS Open Console at the Capitol Theatre. Contact Barry Howard at (717) 272-2254 or bhowie428@comcast.net to reserve your playing time.
Monday, March 13th 7:00 PM	An evening of organ videos including "Stan Kann: The Happiest Man In The World" a retrospective on this organist's career. Capitol Theatre
Monday, April 10th 7:00 PM	"Members' Showcase" at the Capitol Theatre. Movie night players will share some of their tunes they have used to welcome Capitol Theatre movie audiences.
May - Date and time TBD	Donnie Rankin plays Wurlitzer Opus 501, Howard-Fenner residence, Lebanon, PA
June - Date and time TBD	OPEN
Saturday, July 29th Time TBD	Summer 2023 "Picnic" Brett Miller piano and organ program at the home of Richard Neidich and Edward Horvath featuring movie themes and orchestral sounds.

* Indicates meetings NOT held on the usual second Monday of the month and/or at a different time or location

"SVTOS Plays For The Movies"

Hear these SVTOS members play the Wurlitzer 30 minutes before listed times at the Capitol Theatre. Consult the Capitol Theatre Website ([Click here](#)) for details and admission prices.

- Friday December 2nd @ 6:30 PM - *The Grinch* (FREE) - Roy Wainwright
- Saturday, December 10th @ 3:30 and 7:00 PM - *White Christmas* - Bill Autry
- Sunday, December 11th @ 3:00 PM - *White Christmas* - Roy Wainwright



COMING ATTRACTIONS

Sunday, December 4th 2:00 PM	"The Coolest Yule" featuring the brother and sister team of organist Nathan Avakian and vocalist Claire Avakian. Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley , Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA.
Saturday, March 18, 2023 3:00 PM	Clark Wilson, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE.
Saturday, May 6, 2023 7:00 PM	Brett Valliant, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE.

Click on the underlined links to find additional information, including location and cost, for these events.

Please Extend A Big SVTOS Welcome to Our Newest Members!

Donna Forsthoffer and her son Ben Forsthoffer, Perkasio, PA

Andrew Moore, Shippensburg, PA





Don Kinnier's Longwood Gardens Christmas Schedule 2022-2023

DAY	DATE	PERFORMANCE TIME
Friday	12/2/2022	5:00 - 8:00 pm
Monday	12/5/2022	5:00 - 8:00 pm
Thursday	12/8/2022	5:00 - 8:00 pm
Thursday	12/15/2022	5:00 - 8:00 pm
Friday	12/23/2022	5:00 - 8:00 pm
Thursday	1/5/2023	5:00 - 8:00 pm

“Directions to Masonic Village, One Masonic Drive, Elizabethtown, PA”

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



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Merry Christmas
& HAPPY NEW YEAR

