June 2016 Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society

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### Monday, June 13th at 7:00 PM Capitol Theatre, York, PA

Twenty-one-year old Justin LaVoie possesses a steadfast dedication to the theatre organ art form. After hearing a theatre organ recording at the age of six, he was instantly captivated by the instrument's distinctive sound. Beginning in 2008, Justin attended several ATOS Summer Youth Adventures, deepening his knowledge of both the musical and mechanical aspects of the pipe organ. In recognition of his diligence as an organ student, he was named



ATOS Student of the Year in 2010, after which he began a period of study with acclaimed theatre organist Jelani Eddington. At the 2013 ATOS National Convention in Atlanta, Justin won the ATOS Young Theatre Organist Competition, achieving the prestigious title of Overall Winner. He currently studies at the University of Oklahoma, pursuing a Bachelor of Music Arts Degree. Away from the console, he enjoys cooking, poetry, spending time outdoors, listening to a wide variety of music, maintaining his extensive collection of early 20<sup>th</sup> century box cameras, and (of course) restoring his personal Wurlitzer theatre pipe organ!

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.

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Our annual membership meeting and election of officers was held on May 9th at the Capitol Theatre. See the Treasurer's Report, Membership Report, and Meeting Minutes on pages 3 and 4. Since there were no nominations for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, all of the current officers agreed to serve another 2-year term and were unanimously re-elected. As a result we will need to amend our by-laws to allow for more than two consecutive terms. We will publish the changes and vote to approve the amendments at a future meeting.

Following the election we watched a video of Don Kinnier's program at the Broadway Theatre in Pitman, NJ. This video was recorded during the 2015 ATOS Convention and included several silent film shorts. After the video we had an open console that included a surprise organist – 12 year old Cody McSherry, the youngest member of SVTOS. Cody played several difficult and fantastic arrangements on the Wurlitzer and surprised everyone with his musical ability at such a young age. He studies several musical instruments and it definitely shows in his playing. Cody is extremely talented and has a bright future as an organist and musician.

I am very pleased to report that we have exceeded our Matching Scholarship Fund goal. Thanks to everyone who supported this program.

June 13th is our last showcase for this season and we are delighted to have Justin LaVoie returning to York to play for SVTOS. Justin is a rising star in the theatre organ world and has been playing programs all over the country since his last SVTOS program back in 2013. Justin just completed his Junior year at the University of Oklahoma, pursuing a Bachelor of Music Arts Degree. See more information about Justin on page 1. This is a MUST SEE program and you won't want to miss it!

Our last open console day for this season is on Saturday July 16th. Please contact Don Schoeps at 717-254-6097 or email <u>dschoeps@aol.com</u> to schedule practice time on the Wurlitzer.

We still have one open date for an organist to play before the Capitol movies. <u>We need an organist for</u> <u>June 11th</u>. Please contact Ken Kline at 717-564-7513 if you would like to play on this date.

Our 2016-2017 season starts in September and we have a Program Meeting on June 1st to plan our next season's program. If you have any suggestions for artists, videos, seminars, silent films, etc., please contact Ken Kline at 717-564-7513.

Finally the 2016 ATOS Convention in Cleveland, OH, is from July 3-8. Check the "Theatre Organ Journal" or the convention website for details <u>http://www.atos2016.org</u>.

Have a GREAT SUMMER!

Barry Howard

### SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

#### Membership Report as of May 8, 2016

Family Memberships 48 (Includes 4 new members)

### Treasurer's Report as of May 8, 2016

Bank Accounts		
SVTOS Main	11,229.70	
Total Bank accounts	11,229.70	
Asset Accounts – part of above		
Donation –piano rebuild	150.00	
Scholarship Fund	2242.14	
Specified donations	-20.00	
Total other asset accounts	2372.14	
Net "free" cash	8857.56	

Income	9/1/2015-
	5/8/2016
CD Sales	40.00
Dues-ATOS members	810.00
Dues-Non-ATOS members	520.00
Masonic Home Honorariums	375.00
Other Income	145.00
Total Income	1890.00
Expenses	
Honorariums	900.00
Insurance	282.00
Meeting Expense	200.00
Refreshments	-94.60
Web Site	197.50
Total Expenses	1484.90
Net Gain 405	

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#### SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

#### Membership meeting/Election of Officers May 9, 2016

Meeting was called to order by President Barry Howard

- · Scholarship fund and matching funds were both successful.
- Membership report 48 members.
- Treasurer report (attached)
- Elections
  - Office of President Nominated: Barry Howard (having served the 2 terms of 2 years, by-laws bylaws will have to be amended)

Unanimous

- Office of Vice-President
  Nominated: Ken Kline (having served the 2 terms of 2 years, by-laws bylaws will have to be amended)
   Unanimous
- Office of Secretary-Treasurer Nominated: Roy Wainwright Unanimous

By-laws amendment procedure will be undertaken to allow Barry and Ken to serve additional terms.

Roy C. Wainwright, Treasurer

5/9/16

#### **SVTOS OFFICERS**

Barry Howard - President 717-274-2254 Ken Kline – Vice President 717-564-7513 Roy Wainwright – Secretary, Treasurer, and Webmaster 717-792-3408

#### LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

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

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### **SVTOS 2015-2016 SEASON**

Monday, June 13	Showcase: Organist Justin LaVoie, Detroit, MI
7:00 PM	Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Saturday, July 16	Open Console, Capitol Theatre. Contact Don Schoeps at 717-254-6097 or <u>dschoeps@aol.com</u> to schedule your time.

### **ORGANIST NEEDED** for "SVTOS Plays For The Movies"

#### MANY THANKS! to the SVTOS members who play the WurliTzer before movies at the Capitol Theatre:

June 4 at 3 pm June 4 at 6 pm June 11 at 7 pm June 18 at 7 pm "Reservoir Dogs" "The Hateful Eight" "The Maltese Falcon" "12 Angry Men" Barry Howard Barry Howard OPEN Larry Fenner

\* Please contact Ken Kline at 717-564-7513 if you would like to volunteer to play on any of these dates.

#### "SVTOS Plays at Masonic Village," Elizabethtown, PA

Hear these SVTOS Members play the 3-manual Allen digital theatre organ in the Masonic Village Health Center at 7:00 pm on the following Tuesdays in 2016:

June 14th	Gary Coller
August 9th	Roy Wainwright
October 11th	Ken Kline
December 13th	Annual Christmas Spectacular featuring any and all SVTOS Members!

Many thanks to all of the SVTOS members who volunteered to play at Masonic Village this year!!!!

#### Music from "Shuffle Along"

Those of you who attended Don Kinnier's wonderful concert at Dickinson on May 21st heard him play a great medley from the 1921 musical "Shuffle Along" written by Eubie Blake and Noble Sissle. Don provided the following links to good quality copies of the music from the show, to a YouTube video of a performance of the overture to the show, and additional information about it:

http://digitalcollections.nypl.org/search/index?utf8=%E2%9C%93&keywords=shuffle+Along# <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tft1-s49mgl</u> <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shuffle\_Along</u>

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## COMING ATTRACTIONS

Friday and Saturday	Wanamaker Organ Day, Macy's, Philadelphia, PA. Featuring Peter Richard Conte,
June 3 and 4	MONTE MAXWELL, and Walt Strony. <u>http://www.wanamakerorgan.com/events.php</u>
Sunday, June 5	Bob Gulledge, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD
3:00 PM	<u>Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.</u>
Sunday, Sept. 11	Fall Concert Kickoff (artist to be announced) Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA,
2:00 PM	<u>Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley</u>
Saturday, Sept. 24 7:00 PM	Dave Wickerham, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE
Sunday, Oct. 2	Event at Lowe's Jersey Wonder Morton (details to follow) Garden State Theatre Organ Society
Sunday, Oct. 30	Halloween Silent Movie, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA,
2:00 PM	Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley
Sunday, Nov. 13	Artist to be announced, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA,
2:00 PM	Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley
Saturday, Dec. 3 7:00 PM	Scott Foppiano Christmas Concert, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE

### Note from Roy – "Ear Candy"

My son bought a new home that had a home theatre in the basement. The surround system and the bass response were awesome. I checked on Amazon and bought the same audio system for about \$400 (I thought these were much more expensive). **Onkyo HT-S3700 5.1-Channel Home Theater Receiver/Speaker Package** It has 6 HDMI + RCA-type inputs, 1 HDMI out to TV. Hook up a regular or Blu-Ray DVD player and play your favorite organ recordings and feel the 16' and 32's! Plain stereo recordings go to surround automatically. Most recent DVDs have a 5.1 (surround sound) audio track. With a wide-screen TV – you are ready for popcorn!!I Installation was easy, everything color-coded and subwoofer can go anywhere (preferably a corner). Roy

### Carousel Organ Association of America (COAA) Rally at Knoebels (from Don)

You can attend the rally for free on June 18-19. If you are not registered you can still go listen to the band organs and enjoy Knoebels' award winning food and/or ride the rides with the purchase of some very inexpensive tickets. If you are big on riding rides you can get a hand-stamp that offers unlimited riding. Unfortunately they do not include a similar hand stamp for unlimited food.

https://etrigg.com/event/carousel-organ-association-of-america-coaa-rally/4080944/

http://knoebels.weebly.com