

# The Windline

Susquehanna Valley Chapter - ATOS

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December 2008

## From a 'Dusty corner'

As this is my first message as President let me begin by saying thanks to all of you for your confidence in me. I hope I can live up to your expectations. But clearly I can't do it alone. It's going to take all of us pulling together to keep SVTOS humming.

And a big thanks to Sam Groh for his years as a President. He worked hard to build a solid organization and a great relationship with the theatre. Thanks also to Roy, Gary and Emmitte for their willingness to continue as part of the leadership of the club.

Please welcome Herb Inge, Larry Fenner and Barry Howard who have joined the leadership team. Herb will take over as Membership Chair. Larry and Barry have graciously agreed to look into how we can become a charitable organization.

Another big thanks to all who play for the movies and to Sam for handling the scheduling. Right now, playing for the movies is one of our most valuable activities because it builds rapport with the theatre and it presents the organ to the public.

We really appreciate the way Don Kinnier and Judy Townsend stepped up to chair the Hospitality Committee. Don't they do a great job!! There are lots of ways you can support SVTOS too. We need someone to take over the role of scheduling people for the movies and someone to handle our modest but growing "Music Shop." If you can still lift a few pounds, how about joining a crew to set up the stage, bring up the organ and button it up on meeting nights.

## December 10 Meeting

### **Saturday 2:00PM Capitol, York**

Mark your calendars now and come to the Capitol Theatre at 2 PM on Saturday, December 13. We are doing a Holiday Sing-along before the movie White Christmas with members of both the AGO and SVTOS chapters and the "Mighty Wurlitzer".

We need you to help support this effort, hand out song sheets, and sing along! The objective is to promote the International Year of the Organ, and get the general public interested in the organ (of all types).

You will have to purchase a ticket (regular price \$7.00), but if you bring your SVTOS Windline (this issue) you and your family members can get tickets for \$5.00.

Hope to see you there!

## From a 'Dusty corner' continued

While we don't have a regular Monday night meeting in December, I urge you to support these alternate events: On Monday evening, December 8, members will be playing for residents at Masonic Village in Elizabethtown beginning at 7:30. You are welcome whether you would like to play or not. Email [Pres@SVTOS.org](mailto:Pres@SVTOS.org) for directions. And, on Saturday, December 13, we join with members of the York Chapter of AGO to present pre-movie music and a Christmas sing-along at the theatre between 2:00 and 3:00 PM. Buy a ticket and stay for the movie *White Christmas*. Special discounted price of \$5.00 with this newsletter! See you there!

**Many Thanks dept:**

Thanks to Larry Fenner and Barry Howard for their gift of a new wireless mic to accompany our sound system. And thanks to "Purchasing Agent" Don Kinnier.

And thanks to Gary Collier for donating a new extension cord for the amp."

**Ultimate Christmas Gift -**

Bob Pierce reports:

Kitts in College Park, Md has an Allen George Wright V 5-manual for sale for a reduced price of \$110,000.00. They bought out another dealer and this was in their stock. White and gold French console with 16 channels and a new organ warranty.

Got room in your stocking?

**Don Kinnier's Longwood Gardens Schedule**

Longwood Schedule Christmas Singalongs and Organ Waltz Programs.

This years programs will be performed on an Allen 4 manual digital organ.

Great thanks to the Allen Organ Company for supplying instruments for the past eight years while we wait with great anticipation for the 4/155 Aeolian to return to service.

We will have the string division playing this year but nothing more than that to the best of my knowledge. (We live in hope of future glory.)

Monday December	1st	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM
Thursday December	4th	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM
Sunday December	7th	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM
Tuesday December	9th	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM
Tuesday December	16th	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM
Thursday December	18th	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM
Sunday December	21st	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM
Wednesday December	24th	3:30	4:30	PM	7:00 & 8:00PM	
Thursday December	25th	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM
Friday December	26th	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM 7:00 & 8:00PM
Tuesday December	30th	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM 7:00 & 8:00PM
Saturday January	3rd	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	PM
		6:00	&	7:30PM	Organ Waltz concert programs this evening	

**2008-2009 Remaining Showcase Programs**

**March 9, 2009 Mike Britt**

**May 11, 2009 Tim Schramm**

Mark your calendars now, and renew/upgrade your membership to hear these great performers!

Remember, these Showcase Programs are open to Regular Members Only!

**Have you visited our web pages recently?**

**[www.svtos.org](http://www.svtos.org)**

The latest news page (below) keeps you up to date with the latest additions. Did you know you can access prior Windlines and membership form online?

## Phyllis Sands, Unknown to Known Review by Ken Sanders

The chapter was introduced to a little known performer on Monday, November 10. Phyllis Sands, an elementary vocal music teacher from the Wilson School District of West Lawn PA, thrilled the listeners to a varied showcase of music ranging from classical numbers such as Bach's "Tocatta and Fugue in D minor, Mussorgski's "Promenade" and Walton's "Imperial March" to a few selected hymn tunes. After a brief intermission, Ms Sands returned to play popular tunes that ranged from country western to show tunes. She included some of the following numbers: "Crazy", "Ring of Fire", "Redneck Woman", "Nola", "Alley Cat", "Edelweiss", "Baby Elephant Walk", "Wedding Processional" from the Sound of Music, "A Whiter Shade of Pale", to name a few. She even played the "Washington Post March". On some of the music that was played, the "dust was cleaned out of the pipes". Excellent!



Photo by Roy Wainwright

We now know who Phyllis Sands is and hope that she will return to thrill us with more of her playing!

If you want to hear Phyllis' terrific singing, go to:

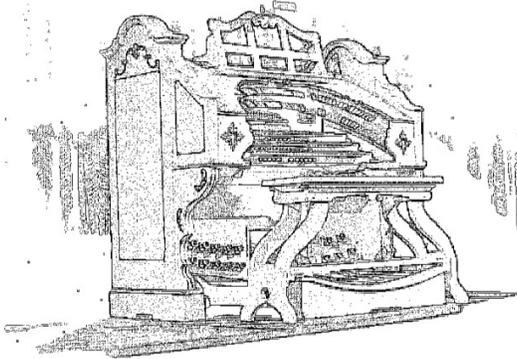
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Don Kinnier's Concert (Nov. 2, 2008) In Trenton's War Memorial Theater  
Photo by Bob Hauf

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## **Important Upcoming Events**

**> December 8, 2008**

**7:30 PM**

**Masonic Village**

**Elizabethtown**

**> December 13, 2008**

**2:00 PM**

**Holiday Sing-along**

**Capitol Theatre, York**