

October 2010

The Windline

Susquehanna Valley Chapter - ATOS

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A 501(c)(3) corporation dedicated to the preservation and presentation of Theatre Organs. Proudly supporting the Mighty Wurlitzer Pipe Organ at the Capitol Theatre in York, PA



Note the date
is the first
Monday!

October 4, 2010 7:00 PM

Capitol Theatre, York

John Lauter Showcase



The Michigan Theatre in Ann Arbor, MI, featured John as staff organist for 17 years, during which John accompanied such silent film classics as "Metropolis," "The Birth of a Nation," "The Phantom of the Opera," "It," "Robin Hood," "Greed," "The Big Parade," "Nosferatu," "The Gold Rush," and many others.

The Detroit Fox Theatre's 1988 grand re-opening found John playing before "The Ultimate Event," featuring Liza Minnelli, Sammy Davis Jr., and Frank Sinatra.

In preparation for the opening of their new IMAX theatre, the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn contracted John to compose and record a silent film accompaniment to a silent film collage featured in a specially produced IMAX short subject shown before each feature there.

In February 2010 John was a musical guest on NPR's popular "Prairie Home Companion" program. Host Garrison Keillor remarked "the man (Lauter) has unerring good taste." Lauter performed solos on the live broadcast and joined forces with PHC's "guys all-star shoe band" for some numbers. The show was performed live before 5,000 people and broadcast live into 4 million homes.

Please note: this showcase is open to regular members & students only

From A Dusty Corner

Of The Future and the Past

From his report to our September meeting, it's clear Connor Ream had an exceptional experience at the ATOS Youth Summer Camp in Phoenix. In his illustrated report he described the wonderful instruments and the outstanding instruction. We're glad he enjoyed it and we hope Mom and Dad are pleased as well. Through the generous donations to the Scholarship Fund we were able to provide a full scholarship for Connor including his tuition, air fare and hotel with \$100 left in the Fund. Thank you.

Larry Fenner and Barry Howard report that they had also an exceptional experience this summer—at the ATOS Technical Experience in Zanesville, Ohio. There were both classroom and workshop sessions. Topics included handling and cleaning pipes, remedial repairs, tuning basics, winding for reliable tremulants, and much more. Check their web site, www.Opus501.com, for more.

Whenever serious theatre pipe organ enthusiasts get together there is likely to be lively discussion of the merits of "modernizing" an instrument—like replacing the electro-pneumatic relays or adding ranks of pipes from other instruments. It's a little like the folks who work on old cars—some try to make them just like they came off the assembly line and others turn them into great looking hot rods.

During his presentation at our September meeting Jeff Weiler pointed out that out of the over 2000 pipe organs that Wurlitzer manufactured, there are only 11 left in their original condition. Jeff feels that regardless of how much one enjoys the sound of "modernized" instruments, we need to figure out a way to preserve some or all of those 11. Otherwise, there may come a time when we will have nothing except pictures to see how they were originally built.



Dusty

Capitol Movie Season

Movie plans this year are for first Friday weekend of each month. Showings 7:30 PM Friday and Saturday, and 3:00 PM Sunday. Film introductions and ORGAN on Sundays only

October 3	Manhattan Short Film Festival	Glenn Hough
November 7	Get Low	Bob Pierce
December 5	Santa Claus	Larry Fenner
December 19	Holiday Inn	Don Schoeps

Web site news:

Members page: Contact Don Kinnier for lead sheet to Arrangers' Challenge.

[NEW! Don's latest upload "How To Play The Cinema Organ by George Tootell"](#) (4 volumes)

Virtuoso Organist Paul Jacobs in York

York Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is presenting Paul on November 14, 3PM Paul is Chairman of Organ Department of Julliard in NYC. Tickets \$15, contact Roy 792-3408 Roy@svtos.org

Exciting New Season!

All Events start at 7:00PM at Capitol Theatre, York unless noted

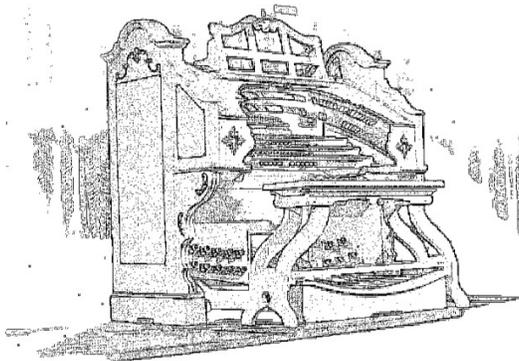
September 13, 2010	Jeff Weiler - The History of the Theatre Organ Connor Ream - Report on ATOS Summer Youth Camp
September 20, 2010	All Day OPEN CONSOLE (contact Dusty at 717-795-2775 or DustyandBarbara@Verizon.net)
October 4, 2010	Showcase - John Lauter (<i>regular members & students only</i>)
November 8, 2010	Film Tour of the Wurlitzer Company - (Larry Fenner & Barry Howard) OPEN CONSOLE
November 22, 2010	All Day OPEN CONSOLE (contact Dusty at 717-795-2775 or DustyandBarbara@Verizon.net)
December 15, 2010	Christmas Concert - Elizabethtown Masonic Home
January 17, 2011	All Day OPEN CONSOLE
February 21, 2011	All Day OPEN CONSOLE
March 14, 2011	Don Kinnier Silent Movie Showcase (<i>regular members & students only</i>)
April 11, 2011	Film: "Legendary Theatre Organists" "My Favorite Arrangement" (member participation)
May 9, 2011	Annual Meeting "Arrangers' Challenge" - Piece selected by Don Kinnier Open Console if time permits
June 13, 2011	Juan Cardona, Jr. Showcase (<i>regular members & students only</i>)
July 11, 2011	All Day OPEN CONSOLE
August ??, 2011	Annual Picnic

Other Events in the Area

Sunday Oct.10, 2010 4 PM, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA	A program of silent movie comedy "shorts" featuring Chaplin, Lloyd, Keaton, Laurel & Hardy. The first time our 3/24 Wurlitzer will be presented to the public. Tickets: \$10.00, \$5.00 for ages 12 and under. Wayne Zimmerman, organist.
Sunday, October 24 2PM	"Dr. Jekell and Mr. Hyde" starring John Barrymore (1920) with Mr. Jeff Barker at the console Tickets \$15 each per person and are available via SASE sent to: Grand Theater, PO Box 244, East Greenville PA 18041-0244. Check or money order only please.
Sunday, November 7, 3PM Free State Theatre Organ Soc. Rice Auditorium, Baltimore	Frank Vanaman
Sunday Nov. 14, 2010 2:30 PM Annual silent movie, Penn State Univ. Abington, Pa campus.	Buster Keaton's "Spite Marriage" Rodgers 340 electronic theatre organ. Free admission. Wayne Zimmerman, organist.
Sunday, December 5, 3PM Free State Theatre Organ Society Rice Auditorium, Baltimore	Michael Britt
Sunday Dec. 12, 2010 2 PM, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA.	An all organ music program, featuring several organists on our 3/24 Wurlitzer presenting music for Winter and the Holidays (Christmas, Hanukkah, New Years), including sing-a-longs. Tickets: \$10.00, \$5.00 for ages 12 and under.

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