



## Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society

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The Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society Presents

**Silent Film**  
**"The Kid"**  
Starring  
**Charlie Chaplin**

Featuring  
**Don Kinnier**  
*At the Mighty Theatre Organ*

**Sunday, November 9th**  
**1:30 pm**  
**The Allen Theatre**  
36 E. Main Street, Rt. 422, Annville PA 17003  
General Admission \$8.00  
Tickets Available at the Allen Box Office on the Day of the Show

**SVTOS Members get in FREE with your name badges!**

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.

## Charlie Chaplin's "The Kid"

"The Kid" is a 1921 American silent comedy-drama film written, produced, directed by and starring Charlie Chaplin, and features Jackie Coogan as his adopted son and sidekick. This was Chaplin's first full-length film as a director. It was a huge success, and was the second-highest grossing film in 1921, behind "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse." In 2011, "The Kid" was selected for preservation in the United States National Film Registry by the Library of Congress as being "culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant." One of the first major films to combine comedic moments with dramatic elements, "The Kid" is widely considered one of the greatest films in cinematic history.

**Plot:** An unwed woman (Edna Purviance) leaves a charity hospital carrying her newborn son. An artist, the apparent father, is shown with the woman's photograph. When it falls into the fireplace, he first picks it up, then throws it back in to burn up. The woman decides to abandon her child in the back seat of an expensive automobile with a handwritten note imploring the finder to care for and love the baby. However, the car is stolen. When the two thieves discover the child, they leave him on the street. The Tramp (Charlie Chaplin) finds the baby. Unwilling at first to take on the responsibility, he eventually softens and names the boy John.

Five years pass, and the child (Jackie Coogan) becomes the Tramp's partner in minor crime, throwing stones to break windows that the Tramp, working as a glazier, can then repair. Meanwhile, the woman becomes a wealthy star. She does charity work among the poor to fill the void of her missing child. By chance, mother and child cross paths, but do not recognize each other. When the boy becomes sick, a doctor comes to see him. He discovers that the Tramp is not the boy's father. The Tramp shows him the note left by the mother, but the doctor merely takes it and notifies the authorities. Two men come to take the boy to an orphanage, but after a fight and a chase, the Tramp regains his boy. When the woman comes back to see how the boy is doing, the doctor tells her what has happened, then shows her the note, which she recognizes.

The fugitives spend the night in a flophouse, but the manager, having read of the \$1000 reward offered for the child, takes him to the police station to be united with his ecstatic mother. When the Tramp wakes up, he searches frantically for the missing boy, then returns to doze beside the now-locked doorway to their humble home. In his sleep, he enters "Dreamland," with angels in residence and devilish interlopers. He is awakened by a policeman, who places the Tramp in a car and rides with him to a house. When the door opens, the woman and John emerge, reuniting the elated adoptive father and son. The policeman, happy for the family, shakes the Tramp's hand and leaves, before the woman welcomes the Tramp into her home.



## Howie's Corner

We have a very serious problem that can affect the future of SVTOS – DECLINING MEMBERSHIP. We have an unusually large number of people who have not renewed their memberships from last year and paid their dues. So far one-third of our members have not paid their dues for this season! With only 45 members last year this represents a big reduction in our revenue and our ability to pay our guest organists. If this situation is not rectified we will have to re-evaluate our programs for 2016. What are we doing wrong? What could we be doing better? Or is this just the state of affairs today? I know other organizations, including ATOS and other chapters and non-profits, are having similar problems with declining membership. Our goal is to increase our membership, but we are heading in the opposite direction. How do we get more members and get more people interested in the theatre organ? Over the last several years we have been bringing in outstanding theatre organists for our showcases and we should be getting a decent attendance for these programs.

John Lauter gave an excellent program on Monday October 6th at the Capitol Theatre. Terry Nace spent several hours tuning and getting the organ ready and John spent several hours practicing and setting up pistons. And guess what, we only had 20 members and guests show up! How very disappointing! What must we do to get people to attend these programs?

Our next program is at the Allen Theatre in Annville, PA on Sunday November 9th at 1:30 PM. Don Kinnier will be accompanying the silent film "The Kid" starring Charlie Chaplin. This program is open to the general public for a small admission charge but SVTOS members get in FREE with their MEMBERSHIP BADGES. I invite everyone to come out and support this program and bring your friends, neighbors and anyone off the street. I would like to see a full house! If you haven't been to this theatre, it is a beautifully restored theatre in the art-deco style with MJ's coffeehouse next door where you can get lunch, desserts, coffee, etc., before or after the show.

Tuesday December 9th at 7:00 PM is our annual Christmas program at the Health Center on the campus of Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA. Several of our members will be playing the 3 manual Allen Theatre organ. This program is always a hit with the residents and staff every year and all SVTOS members are invited to attend.

If you have any ideas or suggestions on how we can solve our membership and dues problems or anything we can do better as an organization, please let me hear from you at: [pres@svtos.org](mailto:pres@svtos.org) or call 717-274-2254. And if you are one of the 15 people who have not paid you dues for this season, please don't procrastinate and send your dues to Roy Wainwright immediately.



Barry Howard

## Masonic Village Schedule

December 9, 7:00 PM Annual Christmas Program featuring many SVTOS members

## “A Capitol Idea!”

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



A CAPITOL IDEA!  
KEN DOUBLE AT THE MIGHTY WINDLINE • BIG BAND  
CAPITOL THEATRE YORK, PA. SEP 16, 2006

## 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 [www.svtos.org](http://www.svtos.org). 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 [Pres@SVTOS.org](mailto:Pres@SVTOS.org). **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.

## SVTOS OFFICERS

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and Don Schoeps

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## SVTOS 2014-2015 SEASON

<b>Sunday, Nov. 9*</b> <b>1:30 – 3:30 PM</b>	<b>DON KINNIER accompanies the Silent Film “The Kid” starring Charlie Chaplin Allen Theatre, Annville, PA (open to the public)</b>
Tuesday, Dec. 9* 7:00 PM	SVTOS Annual Christmas Program Masonic Village, Elizabethtown, PA
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 7:00 PM	Annual SVTOS Membership Meeting and Arrangers’ Challenge Followed by Open Console
Monday, June 8 7:00 PM	Showcase: Organist JUSTIN NIMMO, Indianapolis, IN
<b>PLEASE NOTE: * indicates meetings not scheduled on usual second Monday of the month.</b>	

### 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”

May 3, 2015: Glenn Hough “Route 30”

“First Friday Movies” – Organist plays at 8:30 pm and movie starts at 9:00 pm

November 7, 2014

Don Schoeps “The Goonies”

December 5, 2014

Gary Coller “Ghostbusters”

January 2, 2015

Roy Wainwright “M. P. Life of Brian”

February 6, 2015

Robert Carbaugh “Spaceballs”

March 6, 2015

Gary Coller “Pulp Fiction”

April 3, 2015

Robert Pierce “A Clockwork Orange”

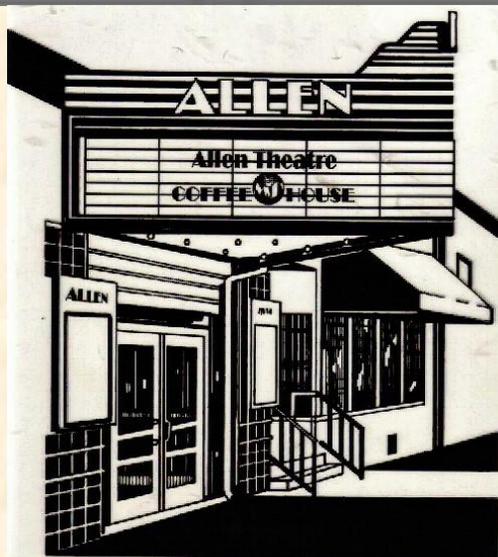
May 1, 2015

Robert Pierce “Fight Club”

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

Sunday, Oct. 26 2:00 PM	Halloween Silent Movie, "Phantom of the Opera" Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA <u>Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley</u>
Saturday, Nov. 1 7:00 PM	<b>DON KINNIER</b> , Silent Film Series, "The Cat and the Canary" <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society, Wilmington, DE</u>
Sunday, Nov. 2 3:00 PM	George Batman, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD <u>Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.</u>
Friday, Nov. 7 6:30 PM	<b>DON KINNIER</b> at the 9' Steinway, Paul Strand's short (11 minute) film "Manhatta," Philadelphia Museum of Art, 2600 Benjamin Franklin Pkwy, Philadelphia, PA 19130 Free after admission! <a href="http://www.philamuseum.org/calendar">http://www.philamuseum.org/calendar</a> select November calendar
Tuesday, Nov. 11 7:30 PM	<b>DON KINNIER</b> , Silent Film "The Unholy Trinity" starring Lon Chaney, Woodmere Art Museum, Philadelphia, PA. <a href="http://woodmereartmuseum.org/calendar/tuesday-nights-at-the-movies">http://woodmereartmuseum.org/calendar/tuesday-nights- at-the-movies</a>
Saturday, Nov. 22 7:00 PM	David Gray, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society, Wilmington, DE</u>
Sunday, Nov. 23 3:00 PM	John Baratta and Carl Black (piano/organ duet), Silent Film Series, "Safety Last" <u>Grand Theatre, East Greenville, PA</u>
Sunday, Nov. 30 2:00 PM	Annual Holiday Concert, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA <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="http://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 <u>Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.</u>
Sunday, Jan. 18 3:00 PM	Tedde Gibson, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD <u>Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.</u>
Saturday, Jan. 31 7:00 PM	Ken Double and Skip Stine, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society, Wilmington, DE</u>
Saturday, Mar. 14 7:00 PM	John Schwandt, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society, Wilmington, DE</u>
Sunday, Mar. 15 3:00 PM	<b>DON KINNIER</b> , Silent Film "The Kid," Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD <u>Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.</u>
Saturday, May 2 7:00 PM	Hector Olivera, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society, Wilmington, DE</u>
Sunday, May 3 3:00 PM	Michael Britt, Silent Film, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD <u>Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc.</u>

## Allen Theatre and MJ's Coffeehouse



Rt. 422, Exit 29A off I-81, Anville, PA 17003, (717) 867-4766, www.allentheatre.com



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)

Anville, PA 17003

(717) 867-3545

### **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.

Friday 11/28/14	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