



*Susquehanna Valley Theatre
Organ Society*

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**Monday, October 6, 7:00 PM
Capitol Theatre, York, PA
John Lauter Showcase**



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.

John Lauter

Detroit native John Lauter has been presenting theatre organ concerts for over 20 years. John made his public debut at the Redford Theatre at age 16. Since those early days John has presented concerts in Chicago at the Oriental Theatre, the Van Der Molen residence, the Krughoff residence, the 19th Hole Restaurant, and the St. Mary of the Lake Seminary auditorium in Mundelein. Lauter has been featured in programs at the Paramount Theatre in Denver, the Castro Theatre in San Francisco, the Richard Knight auditorium of Babson College in Boston, the Organ Stop Pizza Restaurant in Phoenix, The Rialto Theatre in Joliet, IL, and the Palace Theatre in Marion, OH. The Ohio Theatre in Columbus featured John in organ overtures to their popular classic film series. John played concerts in Toronto at Casa Loma; in Kingston, Ontario, at the Kingston Theatre Organ Society's Kimball organ; the Public Museum of Grand Rapids, MI; the Little River Studio Wurlitzer in Wichita, KS; the Auditorium Theatre in Rochester, NY; and the Thomaston Opera House in Connecticut, an appearance that also found John combining forces with the Waterbury Youth Symphony. Lauter was a featured performer at the American Theatre Organ Society's 2009 convention in Cleveland.

John spent three years playing at "Theatre Organ Pizza and Pipes" in Pontiac, MI. At home in Detroit, John has presented 9 concerts at the Detroit Theatre Organ Society, and many concerts and silent film programs at the Redford Theatre. 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. Lauter has played at the Fox ever since, for film and live shows. Lauter has used the theatre organ in very traditional roles, as a solo and silent film accompaniment instrument, in addition to other unique combinations -- with big bands, a Bluegrass-Fiddle band, and behind vocalists and instrumentalists. 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.

John is the organist for the Unity Church of Lake Orion, and is also in demand as a pianist at local Detroit restaurants. John lives in Farmington Hills, MI, with his wife Amy, son Benjamin, and daughter Maryanna.

(See Page 7 for links to read more about and see/hear John Lauter's YouTube videos.)

Howie's Corner

We had a fun time at the Allen Theatre on Sunday August 31st for "Theatre Organ Day at the Allen Theatre." Our organists were Bob Pierce, Gary Coller, Don Schoeps, Glenn Hough, Dan Umholtz, Connor Ream and Don Kinnier. We also had two organ and piano duets featuring Dan and Connor, and Don Kinnier and Connor. Don Kinnier finished the program by accompanying the short silent film "Be My Wife" starring Max Linder. Don Kinnier, Judy Townsend and Bella awarded Skip Hicks, the owner of the Allen Theatre, with a "Doctor of Cinematic Captivation Degree" from the Music Department of the "University of Northern Brunnerville."

While this was all done in jest and a lot of fun, we sincerely want to thank Skip for his support of the theatre organ and SVTOS and for allowing us to use the theatre for these events. To wrap up the event, Gary Coller provided us with a birthday cake to celebrate his ?? birthday and we all sang "Happy Birthday."

It was a pizza party at our first meeting of the new season on September 8th at the Capitol. Along with our usual treats, we had pizza while watching the video about "Organ Stop Pizza and the Mighty Wurlitzer." The video was educational and entertaining and gave us the history and tour of the organ along with interesting comments and music from organists Lew Williams and Charlie Balogh.

Don't miss our first showcase on Monday October 6th (one week earlier than our usual schedule) to hear guest organist John Lauter. John last played for us back on October 4th 2010. John is not only an accomplished organist but is also very active in the restoration of theatre pipe organs, including the Cleveland Masonic Auditorium. He is currently heading the restoration and installation of a large Wurlitzer in a private automobile museum in the Detroit area. John was a convention artist at Gray's Armory in Cleveland, OH, for the 2009 ATOS Convention. Aside from theatre organs, John is also passionate about antique cars, particularly Packards, and attends the AACA car show in Hershey every year. We are very fortunate to have him back again this year.

Our November program will be at the Allen Theatre in Annville, PA, on Sunday November 9th at 1:30 PM and will feature the silent film "The Kid" starring Charlie Chaplin with Don Kinnier at the organ. This program will be open to the public but SVTOS members will get in FREE with their membership badge. Please tell your friends about the program and invite them to attend.

Finally, I hate to bring up this subject but it is very important to our survival. Only about half of our members from last year have renewed their membership for this season and paid their dues. If we are going to survive as a chapter of ATOS and continue to have guest organists and monthly programs we need everyone's support. If you have not yet renewed, please pay your dues promptly to Roy Wainwright. Thank you.



Masonic Village Schedule

October 15, 7:00 PM Ken Kline

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.



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. 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. **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.

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SVTOS 2014-2015 SEASON

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| Monday, Oct. 6* 7:00 PM | Showcase: Organist JOHN LAUTER, Farmington Hills, MI |
| Sunday, Nov. 9* 1:30 – 3:30 PM | DON KINNIER accompanies the Silent Film “The Kid” starring Charlie Chaplin Allen Theatre, Annville, PA (open to the public) |
| 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 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 |
| PLEASE NOTE: * indicates meetings not scheduled on usual second Monday of the month. | |

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

October 3, 2014

Robert Pierce “The Evil Dead”

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 Peirce “A Clockwork Orange”

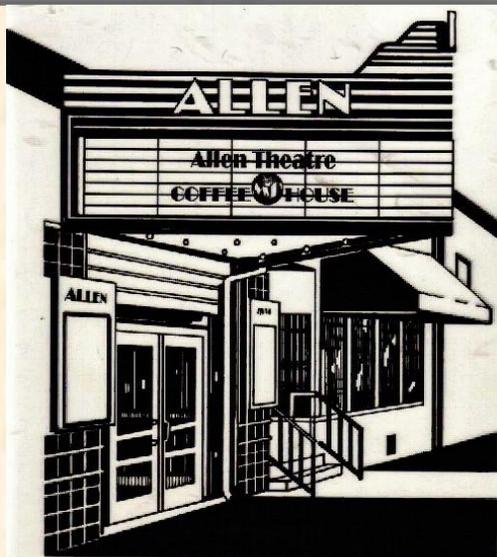
May 1, 2015

Robert Pierce “Fight Club”

COMING ATTRACTIONS

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| Sunday, Oct. 5 3:00 PM | Bernie Anderson, Jr., Silent film "The Big Parade" (1925), Landmark Loew's Jersey Theatre, Jersey City, N.J. Admission: \$12, Seniors and Students \$10, Tickets available at the door, cash, checks only. Garden State Theatre Organ Society |
| Sunday, Oct. 5 4:00 PM | Festival of Keyboards – 4 Pianos, 8 Hands! Grand concert of four pianos featuring Robert Holm, Jeffrey Bennett, Stephen Nielson and Jerry Anderson. The concert features sacred, classical and pop music and includes solos, duets and of course, the thrilling foursome together. Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut St., Camp Hill PA 17011, www.trinitycamphill.org , 717-737-8635 |
| Friday, Oct. 10 7:30 PM | Richard Hills in concert at the Allen Organ Co., Octave Hall, Macungie, Pa. Admission \$12, info & tickets: www.allenorgan.com/store/concertseries.html |
| Saturday, Oct. 11 7:00 PM | Richard Hills, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE |
| Sunday, Oct. 19 3:00 PM | John Baratta, Silent Film Series, "Faust" Grand Theatre , East Greenville, PA |
| Sunday, Oct. 26 2:00 PM | Halloween Silent Movie, "Phantom of the Opera" Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley |
| Saturday, Nov. 1 7:00 PM | DON KINNIER , Silent Film Series, "The Cat and the Canary" Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE |
| Sunday, Nov. 2 3:00 PM | George Batman, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc. |
| Saturday, Nov. 22 7:00 PM | David Gray, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE |
| Sunday, Nov. 23 3:00 PM | John Baratta and Carl Black (piano/organ duet), Silent Film Series, "Safety Last" Grand Theatre , East Greenville, PA |
| Sunday, Nov. 30 2:00 PM | Annual Holiday Concert, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley |
| 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. www.allenorgan.com/store/concertseries.html |
| Sunday, Dec. 7 3:00 PM | Mark Hurley, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc. |
| Sunday, Jan. 18 3:00 PM | Tedde Gibson, Spring Grove Hospital Center, Rice Auditorium, Catonsville, MD Free State Theatre Organ Society, Inc. |

Allen Theatre and MJ's Coffeehouse



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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

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John Lauter On-Line:

<http://www.examiner.com/article/celebrity-john-lauter-is-king-of-the-keyboards>

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mit47fD_Hic

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UIMK48fauxl>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t2pHTuTtuzg>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FGWj3zfbVDM>