# The Organ Spie

#### Newsletter for the Sierra Chapter of the American Theatre Organ Society

### Hot August Pipes

### **August 2019**



# HOT AUGUST PIPES

Come on down to the Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse and enjoy a mini-concert featuring Bill Coale and indulge in some ice cream with all of the toppings. Bring a prospective new member!

## This is our annual fundraiser.

\$5 minimum suggested donation



Dr. William Coale was a band/choir director and professional musician/conductor in Michigan before retiring in 2009 as a superintendent of schools. He started playing the theatre organ in the early 1970s, and studied with the late Fr. Jim Miller. His work in the field of education and advanced studies took him away from the hobby for a decade, but upon finishing his Ph.D. in educational leadership, Bill purchased an Allen GW-319 and quickly fell back in love with the hobby.

He spent four years doing extensive research, and as a result has published two volumes of a scholarly biography of legendary theatre organist George Wright. The third and final volume is well on its way to completion, and is scheduled for publication in 2020, GW's centenary year. Bill acquired BANDA during his research for the biography, and has issued a number of "new" George Wright recordings. More exciting releases are in the pipeline!

Bill loves playing ragtime and marches on the theatre organ, and has recorded a CD on an Allen GW-4 once owned by Walt Strony. More rec-

cently, he has appeared in concert overseas at Saltaire, UK, and in Stockholm, Sweden, on the "Gerhard Gregor" Welte in the NDR radio broadcasting studios in Hamburg, Germany.



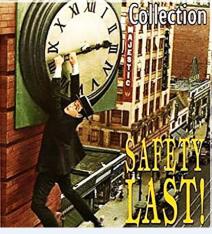
Presents: SILENT MOVIES WITH WALT STRONY

On the Walt Strony Signature Series Allen Organ

Sunday, July 28, 4pm 828 W. Main St, Grass Valley

This is a fund raising event for the Church Organ Fund.







#### ATOS 2019 Convention Sierra Chapter Attendees

Front Row: Wayne Joseph, Craig Peterson, Randy Warwick, Carol Zerbo, Adele Warwick

Next Row: Bill Coale, Tom Norvell, Joan Grootveld, Jean Paquette-French Back Row: Bob Suffel, Esther Joseph, Walt Strony, Dick Taylor, Gary Grootveld, Mark Sammut, Gary French

Not Pictured: Terry Clifton, Dave Moreno, Dave Sauer

Photo by Gary French





NorCal Theatre Organ Society Presents: Mark Herman In Concert Sunday, July 28, 1:00PM

Kevin King's Organ Studio 2851 Creston Road, Walnut Creek 12:00 Noon - Bring Your Own Lunch and Socialize.

*About Mark* - Born in 1987, Mark Herman is one of America's busiest young theatre organists, performing over 30 concerts and silent film presentations each year across the US and abroad. In 2012, he was named the American Theatre Organ Society's Organist of the Year and is the youngest person ever to receive the prestigious honor. Previously, he was overall winner of the Society's Young Theatre Organist Competition in 2004. NorCal last hosted Mark in April 2017 in a thrilling concert at Berkeley Community Theatre. Mark was a featured artist at the 2019 ATOS National Convention in Rochester, New York, where he played the 4/28 Wurlitzer at Shea's Buffalo.

#### Kevin King's Studio



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#### **George Wright Tribute Concert**



\$12 Advance or \$15 at the door
Mail Checks payable to Sierra Chapter
ATOS with a self-addressed
stamped envelope to
P.O. Box 2017
Fair Oaks, CA 95628
Or Order Online at SierraChapterATOS.org

Our Guest artist will be Donnie Rankin Donnie was the 2007 winner of the



ATOS Young Organist Competition. It's been about a decade since we last heard him in Sacramento. This will be a great concert. Bring some friends!



#### Saturday Sept 21 10am to 5pm Old Fair Oaks

- Join the Fair Oaks Recreation and Park District for the 14th annual Fair Oaks Chicken Festival. General admission and parking is free! Festivities include:
- Live music
- pancake breakfast,
- Craft brew tasting
- 100+ vendors,
- SactoMoFo food court
- kid's park
- cluck n' crow contest and so much more.

### IL TEMPIO DI MUSICA



Presents *the incredible* **Brian Holland** with the *fantastically talented* **Danny Coots** for Early Jazz, Stride and Ragtime, Piano and Percussion.

#### 7:30 pm August 23<sup>rd</sup>

Near Grass Valley, CA More info and RSVP, at email <u>billtrabucco@saber.net</u>

Or phone 530-273-4252

#### IL TEMPIO DI MUSICA



Presents *Brass Over Bridges* a fantastic brass quintet from the Bay Area who play everything from the Renaissance like Gabrielli to contemporary music.

### 7:30 pm September 14<sup>th</sup>

Near Grass Valley, CA More info and RSVP, at email <u>billtrabucco@saber.net</u> Or phone **530-273-4252** 

#### MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Renewing at the Benefactor Level: Earnest Hartley & Susan Fredericks Tom Sebo & Cheryl Young

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Renewing at the Sustaining Level: Steve Restivo

#### NOTE:

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