

The Organ Spiel

NEWSLETTER FOR THE SIERRA CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

Picnic / Potluck



AUGUST 2009

**SATURDAY,
AUGUST 15TH**
**HOME of
PETE & DIANNE
MCCLUER**

Once again, Pete & Dianne McCluer have graciously opened their "barn" to Sierra and Norcal Chapter members for a Potluck / Mini Concert / Open Console event. Come and hear Pete's completed 3/19 Wurlitzer.



We are changing the protocol for the potluck this year. We are requesting that attendees with last names beginning with A – K bring a main dish. And those with last names beginning with L – Z bring either a salad or dessert. Everyone bring their own plate and eating utensils. Drinks and napkins will be provided.

Program:

Chamber Tours

10:00AM to 10:30AM

Greg De Santis

at the Console

10:30AM to 11:30AM

Time to eat:

11:30AM

Open Console

After Lunch



Pete & Dianne McCluer
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Shingle Springs
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NORCAL SIERRA JOINT EVENT

SUNDAY,
AUGUST 23RD

HOME of
BINGAMANS

11:00AM

25855 Sweet Rd
Grass Valley, CA



Come and join NorCal members at their annual picnic at the beautiful home of Ron Bingaman. Situated on 10 acres, the house has a water powered Allen GW-4 with speakers that are way above in an angled ceiling so the sound comes down from above.

Directions to the Bingaman Home

- 1: Take I-80 to Auburn
- 2: Take the CA-49 exit, EXIT 119B, toward GRASS VALLEY.
- 3: Turn LEFT onto CA-193/ CA-49. Continue to follow CA-49 for 10.4 miles
- 4: Turn LEFT onto WOLF RD. and continue for 3.2 miles
- 5: Turn LEFT onto GARDEN BAR RD. and continue for 1.0 mile
- 6: Turn LEFT onto COUNTRYSIDE RANCH RD. and continue for 0.4 miles
- 7: Turn LEFT onto SWEET RD and continue for 0.1 mile.
- 8: 25855 SWEET RD is on the LEFT; look for the Bingaman sign, then follow road up the hill and go right at the fork. The house will be on the right. Phone 530-268-2153 if you get lost.

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The festivities will start around 11:00AM and we will eat around noon or thereafter. A grill will be available for those who wish to "cook out" and coffee, tea and soft drinks will be provided on-site. **Please bring your own dishes, silverware and food, and if desired, beer or wine.**

In addition to the organ and the on-site hydro-electric power house, Ron and Gay have 4 llamas



and 3 pet chickens which you are welcome to hand feed.



Afterglow

There will be an *Afterglow* at Bill Trabucco's home 8 miles outside of Grass Valley. "The organ is a bit different, in that I definitely don't have a theater organ, but my weird, mostly home built organ is now at 8 ranks (it might get to 11 ranks if I get the 3 rank mixture connected by then) and is primarily a classical instrument. In an earlier venue and stage it made it into an "American Organist" magazine article about home organs. I've also got a small tracker organ, an 18th century replica of what Handel used for the first Messiah in Ireland, and a French Double Harpsichord (as well as a piano)".

Printed directions will be available at Bingaman's. **Please contact Bill if you want to come. (530) 273-4252 or email: billtrabucco@saber.net.** If enough people are coming he may need to move cattle in order to leave the gates open.





PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE – CAROL ZERBO

Whoa - have we got a full August schedule! It's all listed here in other articles so I won't be redundant. I'll just encourage everyone to attend all, or as many of our get-togethers as you can. I love seeing everybody and we always seem to have a good time. Of course, our first open console in quite a long time has come and gone. Many thanks to all you funsters who played. We will try to have more of these. After all, that's one of the reasons we have the Fair Oaks organ.

Presumably, you're in a pipe organ playing mood so, remember the picnic at Pete's on the 15th. That organ is a doozy! **Greg de Santis**, one of our own, will be playing us in. And Then -- the Bingaman's GW-4 in Grass Valley on the 23rd and last

but never least, the Sierra Chapter Board meeting and member get-together at Joyce Clifford's beautiful home in Granite Bay on the 29th. Her music salon boasts a GW-4, an Allen Classic organ and a Baldwin Concert Grand piano. Plus, she's got the most amazing music library! Yep - August is turning into a very musical month.

But wait -- there's more! In my ongoing attempts to keep the theatre organ relevant in today's entertainment - I'm taking a walk. A 3 mile walk around

William Land Park on Friday, August 28th at 6PM. For complete information, go to www.raceforthearts.com call 916-933-4056 or pick up a flyer



for this event at Raley's, Bel-Air or Applebee's. **This a fundraiser with all proceeds from pledges going to Sierra Chapter/ATOS** but it is also a wonderful opportunity to spread the word to all ages about our beloved, American-born musical instrument. All pledges gratefully accepted on behalf of Sierra Chapter and I'd be delighted to have company on my walk. So, please feel free to join me and solicit pledges from your friends and fellow music-lovers.

Call me if you have questions - 916-624-9182.

I look forward to seeing y'all quite a bit in August.

Carol Z



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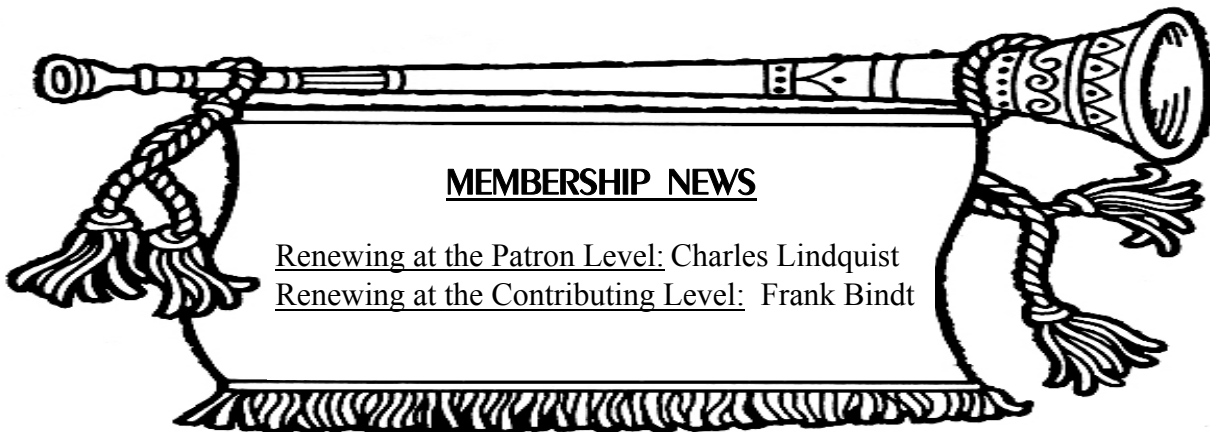


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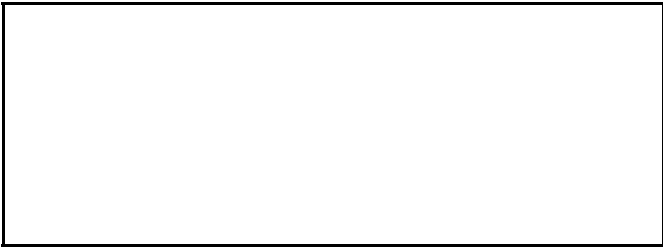




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2200 Front Street
Chris Elliott
Silent
Movie
Show People (1928)
Friday Sept 18th
8:00 PM
\$10/General
\$8/Members
\$5/Students
\$20/Family



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SIERRA CHAPTER BOARD
MEETING
Home of Joyce Clifford
Granite Bay
Saturday August 29 -
2:00PM
RSVP to Carol Zerbo BY
August 25 - (916) 624-9182

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