The Organ Spiel

Newsletter for the Sierra Chapter of the American Theatre Organ Society

Annual Meeting & Mini-Concert

Merry Christmas

DECEMBER 2025

Christmas Party

Mini-concert from 2:00 - 2:30
Refreshments 2:30 - 3:30
Annual Meeting and Raffle
after refreshments

Everyone is invited to bring their favorite Christmas Cookies.

Deli Trays and Beverages

will be provided.



Sunday, Dec. 7th 2:00 P.M. \$5.00

Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse 7997 California Ave Fair Oaks, CA

The most important part of the day will be the election of Board members.

We need a quorum!

A quorum requires that at least 25% of our National ATOS members be present to vote.

We need YOU there!



The Sierra Chapter Scholarship
Fund supported Fabian
in his travel to the ATOS
Summer Youth Adventure in 2024





Fabian is a 21 year old student from Madera, CA. He attends the University of the Pacific studying both computer science and jazz. He was put into piano lessons by his parents when he was seven and then began to learn jazz piano when he was thirteen.

Fabian became interested in the organ since he thought it was impressive to be able to play with your feet in addition to your hands. He later discovered the theatre organ and was astonished by all of the bells and whistles it had in addition to the pipes. He took it upon himself to master the instrument, which he is still in the process of doing today! Come and enjoy!!!

This will be our first official event in the renovated Fair Oaks Clubhouse, Performing Arts Center and Village Park since December, 2019.

2026 Board Member Candidates



Randy Warwick

A member of Sierra Chapter since 1968, I served as Chapter VP and President in the late 70's and early 80's. While not a musician, I do play the organ for my own amusement, as well as for anyone willing to listen. I have owned too many electronic organs to count and at one time a six rank "Mortitzer" T.P.O. (thank you Dave Moreno for all the work on that too short-lived organ). I look forward to serving another term working with the Board and as many of you who are willing at keeping Sierra Chapter both a fun group as well as a vital presenter and advo-

cate of the wonderful sound of wind through the pipes that we all love.



Terry Clifton

Terry Clifton currently serves on the Board as Treasurer. He previously filled two terms as Secretary and is also the printer and mailer of your *Organ Spiel*. Additional duties include Webmaster, Membership Secretary and co-editor of the *Spiel*. He first became hooked on theatre organs back in the late '60s with Friday night Silent Movies at the West Seattle Granada Organ Loft. He has been a member of ATOS since 1986 and a member of Sierra Chapter since 1992. While not a player or technician, he remains fascinated by the mechanics and sound of these fabulous instruments.



Board Member: Lori Brosnan



Lori Brosnan was raised in a Berkeley home with a movie theater in the basement. Her dad loved movies and had lots of silent films. When Lori started to play the organ, her dad wished it would be theatre organ music. Lori chose church or classical organ. In 1985 Lori graduated from California State University, Hayward, with a minor in music. She spent years as a substitute organist in the Bay Area. When neuropathy and numbness took over in her hands, Lori had to stop playing for churches. She joined Sierra Chapter in 2022 to see and enjoy hearing some great organs and organists.



Board Member: Vacant Position

Chapter Officers

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6th term expires Dec 2025
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Please read

Additional Board Positions ARE OPEN

While our Bylaws allow the number of board members to decline to six, we believe it is in the best interest of the chapter to retain as many positions and points of view as possible. If you are interested in a Board position, you may request that your name be placed into nomination at the Christmas Party. Your only additional requirement is to either be a current member of the National ATOS organization or join the National prior to January 2026.