# The Organ Spiel

Newsletter for the Sierra Chapter of the American Theatre Organ Society

## CONCERT, POTLUCK AND OPEN CONSOLE



May - June 2013

Saturday, June 8th Home of:

Pete & Dianne McCluer When:

Chamber Tours: 10:30AM

Concert: 11:00AM

Time to eat:

NOON

Open Console:

After Lunch

Once again, **Pete & Dianne McCluer** have graciously opened their "barn" to Sierra and NorCal Chapter members for a Concert / Potluck / Open Console event. Come and hear Pete's completed 3/19 Wurlitzer. We are requesting that all attendees bring a main dish AND either a salad or dessert.

Everyone bring their own plate and eating utensils.

Drinks and napkins will be provided.



#### **About the Artist:**



Greg De Santis is a San Francisco native now living in Santa Rosa. After several forays into other musical genres as diverse as renaissance winds and bluegrass, he has settled on the organ as his instrument of choice, once and for all. Pete & Dianne McCluer
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Early classical organ studies led to a 1st prize at the 1981 San Francisco A.G.O. Chapter Young Organist's Competition. After hearing a Theatre Pipe Organ for the first time 'in-theatre' he contacted the late James C. Roseveare for coaching at the Oakland Paramount from 1986-1988. With the help and encouragement of the Sierra chapter he has mentored with Jonas Nordwall and coached with Lyn Larsen. He has previously performed for the Sierra chapter on the Fair Oaks chapter organ and at Hunter Hall in Rio Vista. This will be his third appearance in Shingle Springs.

Those who are not familiar with **Jim Roseveare**, mentioned above, may be interested to know that he played concerts for the American Theatre Organ Society. He was a featured artist at five ATOS conventions. His specialty was making intricate arrangements of the compositions of Robert Farnon and recreating the style of Jesse Crawford, the "Poet of the Organ." By day, Roseveare was a systems analyst with Bank of America, San Francisco.

When the Oakland Paramount Theatre was restored and opened to the public in 1973, Roseveare was the premier organist, playing a Rodgers organ. He participated in the design and installation of the Paramount's second Wurlitzer which was completed in 1981. He also served as Chairman of the NorCal Theatre Organ Society and was an organ crew member at Berkeley Community Theatre.

Roseveare died in Santa Clara, California December 11, 1988 at age 46. He was inducted into the ATOS Hall of Fame in 1994.

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#### **Notice to 2013 ATOS Convention Attendees**

Sierra Chapter requests that you please notify us either via e-mail to Randy Warwick or leave a message on our hotline (916-604-6173) if you plan to attend. We will notify ATOS that you will be delegates of Sierra Chapter, which gives you voting privileges at the annual meeting. There are also some tax deduction benefits available to delegates.



Saturday July 13th

8:00 am - 12:00

Appreciation BBQ

from 12pm-1pm



Love the Parks in Fair Oaks?

Now is your chance to give back and make them even more beautiful!!!

#### Volunteer for a day of fun

In order to maintain our Sierra Chapter status as a Community Partner with Fair Oaks Park and Rec, we need to show our support by volunteering for this event. In past years, we have painted curbs and painted the lower level entryway of the clubhouse.

IF you are able to attend, contact Nick at: ndavison@fairoakspark.org

916-966-1036 ext 20 or phone

Be sure to tell them you are representing <u>Sierra Chapter—ATOS.</u> You can also specify that you want to work in the park where the clubhouse is located.



#### 100 + Years Old

We were blessed to have Longtime Sierra Chapter member Margaret Smith, 100, (left) Aunt of Sondra Fuson, and Mary Fallis, 101, mother of Sierra Chapter member, David Fallis, recognized at the Ironstone Pops concert. Walt Strony played Happy Birthday for each of them.

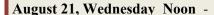
Photo by Frank Fuson.

## AUGUST PREVIEW:

#### August 11, Sunday

2:00PM - Sierra Chapter presents a Silent Movie Event at Grant Union High School. Guest artist Christian Elliott will be accompanying the 1920 silent film classic -

The Mark of Zorro



Golden Era Productions presents *Music At Noon* 

Westminster Presbyterian Church 1300 North N Street, Sacramento

Free Concert (bring your lunch) 12noon-1pm. (916)442-8939

Silent Comedy Films.....accompanied by Dave Moreno.

Angora Love" (1929) Laurel & Hardy with Penelope the goat.

**Hot water''**(1924) Harold Lloyd Organ: 4/60 Moller Pipe Organ

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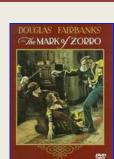
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## PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE—Randy Warwick



Much has changed since the early 90's as to how everyone can obtain sheet music and music books. Online access, both by free download of songs out of copyright (pre-1923) and low cost print-your-own copies of copyrighted songs for as little as

\$.99, as well as music book compilations available by online purchase at often a fraction of listed prices, have made music acquisition a different proposition than when the Chapter launched the music library project in about 1993. We cannot even mail out a copy of sheet music for \$.99 or even \$2.00+. Another reality that we face in the project is that over the years it has become evident that the personnel time commitment necessary to catalog, maintain, and distribute the collection was, at times, stretching the availability of volunteer time. Lastly, another reality is that we have not had much evidence of demand for music from the membership in recent years that would further justify the scale of time and money commitment to the project.

With all these realities in mind, the Board of Directors and Officers have decided to wind down the music library project. As of now, the disposition plan of the well over a thousand pieces, including music books, will be as follows.

- 1. Most of the sheet music of pop songs written prior to 1950 will go to the Paramount Theatre Music Library housed at the Oakland Paramount Theatre. This very large collection is well maintained and cataloged and would be available to members.
- 2. Music written after 1950 and music book compilations will be made available back to the Chapter membership.
- 3. Easy-play books, handwritten and otherwise copied songs, of which there are many, will be made available to the membership or disposed of if there is no demand.
- 4. Classical music is still looking for a home as the local colleges have refused it as well as the recent refusal by Stanford's very large classical library.

Finally, many thanks go to those who have contributed many hours on this project of worthy intent including several members no longer with us or no longer in the Chapter. Members Jim Leach, in recent years, and currently Gary French have headed the project and put in hours of work. Lastly, thanks to Craig Peterson, who for many years has made available space at the Andrews & Greilich Funeral Home for our file cabinets and boxes.

### Free Music Opportunity

While sorting through the Sierra Chapter's music library, we found a large collection of 3-4-inch binders with sheet music gleaned from printed music and quite a bit of manuscript (hand-written) music. The binders fill up a larger plastic bin. This obviously was part of someone's library. This is a great opportunity for someone to immediately build a substantial library.

We don't want to break up this collection, so we are offering it to anyone who wants the entire library. If you, or someone you know, would like this collection, please contact **Gary French**, 916-726-4516, and I will make the library available for viewing and, hopefully, give the library to an enthusiast of the Theatre Organ.

Additionally, Randy Warwick has a couple boxes of music that we cannot donate to an organized library. He will have the music at the concert at Pete and Dianne McCluer's on June 8.

Keep the music playing.!





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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR EVENTS

#### SIERRA CHAPTER EVENT

Saturday, June 8

Concert/Pot Luck/Open Console

Home of Pete & Dianne McCluer 5001 Mistywood Lane Shingle Springs, CA

10:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Artist: Greg De Santis



#### **NORCAL EVENT**

Berkeley Community Theatre 1930 Allston Way Enter via Stage Door

Sunday June 16th 2:30PM

With: Jerry Nagano

Open to NorCal Members and their guests. Memberships available at the door.

\$12 Advance

\$15 General

See our website (above) for driving directions

#### STOCKTON FOX EVENT

242 East Main Street Classic Movie Night

## Harvey

Friday, June 14

Preshow concert 6:30PM

\$8/Adults

Featuring:

Dave Moreno

On the

Mighty Morton Theatre Organ

The Chapter was organized in 1968 as a not-for-profit corporation under the statutes of the State of California and is recognized as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 23701d of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. It was organized for the purpose of preservation and promotion of the Theatre Pipe Organ and its music. Membership in the local Chapter also encourages membership in the National Organization, American Theatre Organ Society (ATOS.) www.atos.org