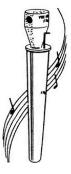
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The Newsletter Voice of the Chicago Area Theatre Organ Enthusiasts





Highlights:

February Social

Sunday February 21

- Allen Organs Bolingbrook
- Doors: 1:30 pm
- Start: 2:00 pm
- Artist: Timothy Duckworth

Sunday February 21st at Allen Organs of Chicago. Our artist for the day will **Timothy Duckworth** !

Doors for the social will open at 1:30

and Timothy will begin his program at 2:00. This is the first time Timothy has performed for



Please come on out to hear the big 5 manual Allen—and don't forget to bring your music and some treats to share with your fellow enthusiasts

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Directions to Allen Organs of Chicago

From Rt. 55 take Rt. 53 south to the second traffic light which is Crossroads Pkwy. Turn right to the FIRST drive on the left and follow around the building to the front (faces Rt. 53) From Rt. 53 drive north to the second traffic light which is

Crossroads Pkwy. Turn left to the FIRST drive on the left and follow around the building to the front (faces Rt. 53)

Address: 181 W. Crossroads Pkwy, SUITE D, Bolingbrook Phone: 630-428-9701



Meet Timothy Duckworth

I have been playing music for most of my life. I began learning piano around

age six. For a number of years, I took piano lessons on and off, but never regularly. I began to pick up organ about two and a half years ago, when I first played a theatre organ. I have been using a virtual organ running Hauptwerk and the Masterworks 3/31 sample set to practice on. I have been entirely selftaught on theatre organ, and have had no sort of lessons. I don't really plan to do much with the organ, though. It is a hobby to me, and there isn't

Junior year in high school this year. I have not used my organ skills with the school much, but I did accompany the

choir last year for one of their concert pieces. So far I have played the Hedback Theatre's 2/11 hybrid, the Warren Performing Arts Center 3/18 Barton, Manual High School 3/26 Wurlitzer all in Indianapolis, the St. Louis Fox Theatre's 4/36 Wurlitzer, St. Louis City Museum 3/18 hybrid, and Stephen Brittain's 3/25 Wurlitzer in Florida. I have posted some of my theatre organ work on my Facebook page. Please check it out at: http://www.youtube.com/ user/furrypeanut1 I look for-

ward to performing for all of you!

console restoration and \$25,700 to

install a new blower and complete

Check out our web page www.catoe61.org

Fund Raising for the Arcada

The Arcada project is continuing as we are starting the fund raising for

much of a demand for theatre organ-

ists anymore. I will be completing my

the restoration of the console. For those that would like to contribute, please send your tax deductible donations payable to CATOE at:

CATOE Arcada **Organ Restora**tion P.O. Box 2631 Joliet Illinois.



the Left Chamber restoration. Below is the URL for the Arcada Theatre Organ Restoration donation page if you wish to send in a contribution—is at RAZOO

https://www.razoo.com/us/story/Arcada-Theatre-Organ-Restoration

We need to raise \$64,500 for the



From the Editor....

Sorry for the delay in getting out this edition of our newsletter. We had a venue and no artist and then an artist and no venue!

Don't forget that we will be having an election of officers this year. Our by-laws were amended last year so we will only have an election for all officers in even years. If you would like to run, you need to have your name entered at the CA-TOE business meeting in May. You must be a paid CATOE member and at least 18 years old.

Stop by Downers Grove North High School and hear a great evening of music with a prelude of Organ Music on the Mighty Wurlitzer. Show



with the Choir is on 2/18 and with the Band on 3/17. There are other shows in April and May. Organ music begins at 6:30 and the performances are at 7:00. All shows are free. Have you renewed your membership? **Dues are due**—the renewal form was in/attached to the last newsletter. Please fill out the form as it is good to have in our files. I will have some at the February social if you have yet to renew. We are planning several great socials this year—you won't want to miss them.

We will be returning to the Arcada soon to continue working on the restoration of the organ. Watch the *Vox* for details on upcoming work sessions. We need all kinds of helpers — and moral support is great too!



We received a call from Channel 11 a few days ago asking about the disposition of the organ from Sally's Stage. The segment "Ask Geoffrey" starring Geoffrey Baer was looking for information and pictures. The 3/14 Barton organ,

which came from the Paramount Theatre in Hamilton, Ohio is



now in the Acorn Theatre in Three Oaks Michigan. Interested in helping setup at a social? How about being on a Work Crew? Contact David Rhodes or Taylor Trimby!



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The Chicago Area Theatre Organ Enthusiasts are committed through performances and educational efforts to help the public understand and appreciate how remarkable these organs truly are. It is also why we are dedicated to their preservation.

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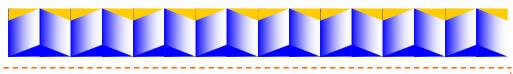
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What's Up in the Area?

David Rhodes and Tim Charlton share bench duties at the Tivoli Theatre on CATOE's 3/10 Wurlitzer each Friday and Saturday nights playing before the movies. Stop in and enjoy their performance on our Mighty Wurlitzer!

Check out our web page www.catoe61.org and look at the Restoration Funding Page for current information on the Arcada Project.

If you have facebook, look for the Arcada Theatre/Geneva Marr **Colton Restoration page** for information and pictures of the progress of the work at the theatre!

JATOE's 20th Extravaganza will be held on Saturday April 23rd at the Rialto Theatre—7pm. Artists include Jelani Eddington, Chris Elliot, Pierre Fracalanza and Donnie **Rankin**. Also performing will be the Joliet Symphony. Tickets are \$30.00 On Sunday at 1pm, they will be at Sanfilippo Mansion in Barrington. Tickets are \$65 and that includes a Dessert Buffet after the concert. Tickets and other info contact Jim Patak at 708-562-8538

