Winter 2018

The Newsletter Voice of the Chicago Area Theatre Organ Enthusiasts



Highlights:

- Saturday Feb 24
- York Theatre
 Flmhurst Illinois
- * Doors: 9:45 am
- * Start: 10:00 am
- * Artist: CATOE

February Social

Our next social will be on

Saturday
February
24th from
10amNoon at
the York
Theatre in
Elmhurst.



for the social will open at 9:45.

This is a "Members Social" so please bring your music and give the "Baby Barton" a go! Also, bring some treats to share with your fellow

CATOE members. We once again wish to thank the **Johnson** family for their wonderful hospitality!

It has been several years since we were at the York — Doors

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Directions to the York Theatre

York Theatre is located at 150 North York
St. Elmhurst, IL Take
North Avenue to Addison. Follow Addison
south and when you
cross 2nd Street, you
will see some on street
parking along Addison
as well as a parking

deck. There is a walkway from Addison to York Street. Once you get to York Street, the theatre is on



your left. In addition, there are some parking lots around the theatre, but they are mostly for the local businesses. Just watch for the one way streets!

After socializing, there are several great restaurants within a few steps

of the theatre that you might enjoy visiting for a nice lunch.

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CATOE and the ATOS 2021 Convention

I have been asked by several CATOE members for an update on the CATOE bid for the ATOS convention. As a recap—the CATOE board met last summer and decided to investigate the possibility of hosting the convention. As was stated, this is probably our best (and most likely our only) chance to host. After that meeting, the CATOE membership met and also approved further investigation into hosting ATOS. Since that time, I have talked with the ATOS Convention Chairman—Mike Kinerk and Co-Chairman Ken Double about all that needs to take place. I have viewed all the financial records that they have and going back 18 years, there is not **ONE** time that the host chapter did not make a profit!

There is a **LOT of work** that would need to take place between now an convention time. From the administrative side, we need to start local publicity and



fund raising....and of course continuing to work on the 4 CATOE organs that will be featured at the convention — **Mundelein** (4/21 Wurlitzer), **Pickwick** (3/11 Wurlitzer), **DGNHS** (3/10 Wurlitzer) and our own 3/10 at the **Tivoli**. We will be contacting other clubs (Joliet, Rockford and possibly Milwaukee) as the planning committee starts to map out the events. There are many exciting

things to do and we want out guests





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to see and hear nothing but the best.

What's next? I am completing the application and will be sending that in to ATOS by mid March. Then once the Convention Committee accepts our application, it will be presented to the ATOS board for their review and vote at the 2018 ATOS convention in Pasadena. If approved — then the "fun" begins!

The last time that ATOS had it's convention in Chicago was 1993—which will be 28 long years ago! We certainly want to put on "the best" convention possible. **BUT** it all depends on the CATOE membership! We need help — lots of help! From working with **David Rhodes** and his crew on the organs to fund raising, publicity, all the "convention stuff" (hotels, busses, catering) and so on. **Can we count on YOU?**

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CATOE News

A big **HUGE THANK YOU** to our two new "Lifetime" members! Also, we certainly appreciate those that are renewing at the "Supporting" level. We also want to say thanks to the members that have sent additional money in with their renewals. **And speaking of renewals — have you?** We need all the help we can get so please be sure to renew. Also if you know of anyone that you think might enjoy our club, please point them to our web page (www.catoe.net) and encourage them to join!

Our March social will be Sunday March 18th at St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein. Dairyland Theatre Organ Society is co-sponsoring this event with us and will feature **David Gray** at the 4/21 Wurlitzer. More on that in the March Newsletter!

On Sunday April 8th Taylor Trimby is scheduled to play a social for Central Indiana Chapter on the 3/18 Barton in the Warren Center.

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!



The Arcada Theatre is continuing with their Silent Tuesdays with Jay Warren at the console providing accompaniment to classic silent movies. The next will be March 6th at 7:30 titled "The Penalty". The April movie will be on the 3rd—"Pandora's Box". Tickets are \$10 (\$8 for CATOE members)

Downers Grove North High School has several band and choir concerts scheduled for the



"spring" semester. The 3/10 Wurlitzer is used 30 minutes prior to each of these and we encourage you to stop over and hear the organ and enjoy these talented young musicians. **David Rhodes** will be on the bench starting at 6:30 on Feb 13th, March 15th, April 10th and 26th and in May on the 1st and the 10th.

If you are purchasing anything from Amazon—don't forget to go to smile.amazon.com and select us (Chicago Area Theatre Organ Enthusiasts) so that we can receive support from your purchases!





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ATOS 2018 Convention



The 2018 convention will be held in

Pasadena California.
Mark Herman and his
convention team have put
together some great artists and venues as well.
The Big 5/27 Moller at the
Civic Auditorium will
worth the trip—but there
is the 4/27 Wurlitzer at
Old Town Music Hall, 3/13

Barton at the Wilshire, the big 4/64

Kilgen, the El Capatan, San Gabriel and

the new 4/24 Wurlitzer in Whittier. The pre and post glow are equally fantastic! Some of the artists include David Gray, Phil Kelsall, Justin LaVoie, Ron Rhode, Chris Elliot, John Giacchi and Mark Herman.

For more information go to the ATOS web Site at www.atos.org