

The Organ Spiel

NEWSLETTER FOR THE SIERRA CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

ANNUAL MEETING & CATERED LUNCH



NOVEMBER - DECEMBER, 2014



Christmas Party

If you were unable to attend last year, then here is another chance to hear **Thom Greathouse**. He brings some wonderful sounds to the Fair Oaks Wurlitzer.



SUNDAY, DEC. 7TH

1:00 P.M.

\$6 DONATION

FAIR OAKS CLUBHOUSE
7997 CALIFORNIA AVE.

Mini-concert from 1:00 - 1:30

OPEN Console after the annual meeting.

The most important part of the day will be the election of **Officers & Board members**. Additionally, we will be voting on a change to our **Bylaws**. 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 meal will be catered!

Please be there by 1:00 a count for meals will be taken.

Bring ONLY a \$6 donation!

Beverages will be provided by the chapter.

See you there!!!

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Renewing at the Benefactor

Level:

Bill Coale, Ph.D.
Dr. Peter Eveland
Tom Norvell
Craig Peterson
Robert Wilcox

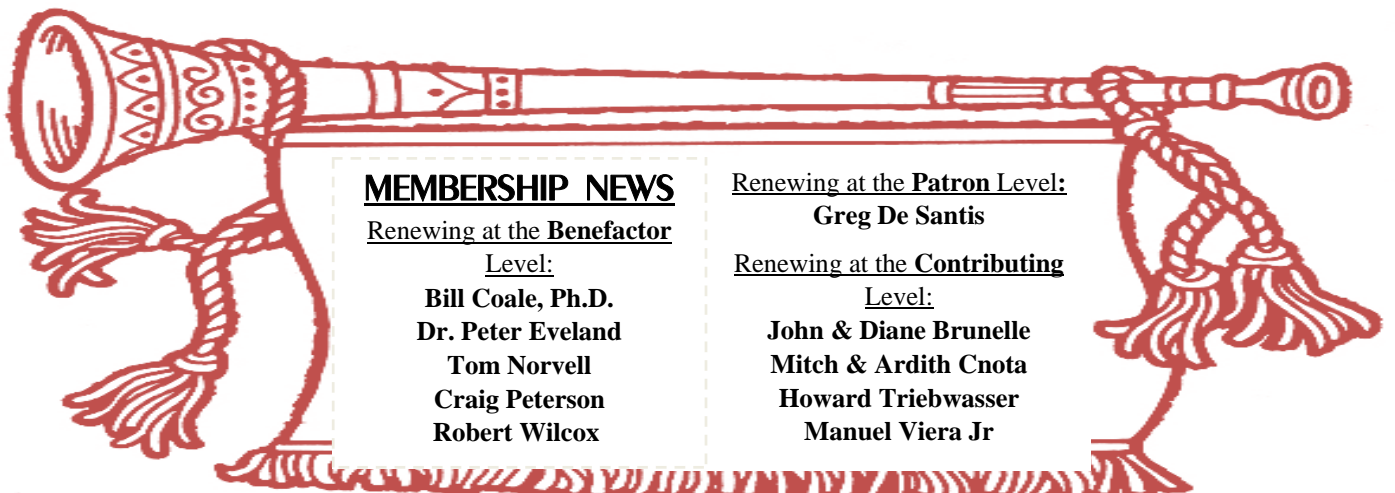
Renewing at the Patron Level:

Greg De Santis

Renewing at the Contributing

Level:

John & Diane Brunelle
Mitch & Ardith Cnota
Howard Triebwasser
Manuel Viera Jr





Vice President: Carol Zerbo

Carol is running for her second term as Vice President of the Sierra Chapter Board. Prior to reconnecting with the theatre organ world, she served on committees as diverse as town incorporation, land use planning, homeowner associations, and medical ethics. A lifelong appreciation of theatre organs in all their incarnations has led her to focus her energies toward preserving the instrument and encouraging young people to become involved in the effort. Carol also served as President of Sierra Chapter from 2008 - 2011.



Secretary: Joan Grootveld

Joan Grootveld has been a member of the Sierra Chapter of ATOS since November 2007 and joined the National ATOS three years ago. She and her husband Gary, who is also a member, have enjoyed the silent movies, concerts, and educational opportunities to learn about the intricacies of the theatre pipe organ. As music enthusiasts, they own a player piano with 885 rolls and a Kimball organ that Joan learned to play when she was 12. Joan's previous board member experience includes one year as board member and two years as Secretary of the Sierra Chapter of ATOS, a term as president of the PTA, and several years as secretary of the Sacramento Council for Delayed Preschoolers. Joan is excited about continuing to serve on the Sierra Chapter Board of Directors and is looking forward to working on future events and preserving the theatre pipe organ for future generations.



Board Member: Paul Brown

Paul acquired his first pipe organ, a Robert Morton, in 1974. He installed it in his home in Sunnyvale and then moved it to Rocklin. The relay/switch system (utilizing FPGA technology) was designed and built by Paul circa 1978. The relay system is presently in re-design utilizing FPGA and ARM technology. A graduate of UC Davis (BSEE), he has worked as an electrical (electronics) engineer for several companies, retiring from Intel last year as a hardware design engineer. Married to Sue for 45 years, they have a son who teaches music at a middle school and a daughter who is a Behavior Consultant. Paul and Sue first joined ATOS in 1975 and have been members of Sierra Chapter since 1998. Paul still enjoys working with Dave Moreno on the electronic maintenance of the Clubhouse organ.



Board Member: Craig Peterson

Craig Peterson has been a member of the Sierra Chapter for years. He is currently the organist for Hope United Methodist Church. He has served this chapter in many ways, including Officer and Board positions, Program and Publicity Chairman, Editor of the Spiel and more. At the national level, he previously served as Chairman of the Board of the American Theatre Organ Society. He's always serving somewhere and making sure there are no snafus at our events.



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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE — Randy Warwick



I hope to see a large turnout at our **Christmas Party and Annual Meeting** for two reasons.

First, it is fun to share the holiday get together with all of you in the friendly, warm setting of the Fair Oaks

Clubhouse, enjoying the sound of theatre pipes.

Second, your Board of Directors and Officers want to present to you a revision of our Bylaws with regard to selection of Officers and number of consecutive terms for Board Members and Officers.

Given the difficulty that has existed for many years of finding members willing to be on the Board and/or serve as Officers, this will allow more flexibility, particularly in allowing Officers to serve at the pleasure of the Board and the Board still serving at the pleasure of the membership. To address the concern that someone could serve in an office indefinitely

ly with no "term limits," please realize that all Board Members, including those serving as Officers, are still reelected every two years....just as now. This revision is very closely modeled after the current ATOS National (also a California nonprofit organization) Bylaws governance section, so we know it will be current law compliant.

We need 25% of the membership to approve Bylaws changes, so please come out, hopefully agree that this change makes sense, and also have a good time.

I extend many thanks to this year's Board and Officers: **Carol, Terry, Joanie, Gary, Paul, Bill, and Charlie** for a job very well done! And kudos to Webmaster and Concert Recorder **Dave Sauer**; Program Director **Craig Peterson**; Organ Tech, Player, and Humorist **Dave Moreno**; and his assistant **Bill Gardner**.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Photo by Gary French



Popcorn and drinks will be available for purchase.

Pre-sale \$6 - \$7 at the door

SILENT MOVIE NIGHT

Date: January 30, 2015

Location: Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse

Time: Doors open at 6:00P.M. - Show at: 7:00P.M.

Join the Fair Oaks Recreation and Park District and the **Sierra Chapter American Theatre Organ Society** for a trip back in time and bring the whole family out for a special evening of silent movies.

This night will feature a special showing of a vintage 1920's film with LIVE Theater Organ accompaniment by **Dave Moreno**.



Tickets can be purchased online or by coming into the District Office (4150 Temescal Street, Fair Oaks)



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR EVENTS

SIERRA CHAPTER EVENT

Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse
7997 California Ave



Sunday,
December 7th
1:00 PM

Annual Meeting and

Christmas Party



◆ \$6.00

◆ Catered Dinner

FAIR OAKS PARK EVENT

Fair Oaks Clubhouse
7997 California Ave

Friday,
January 30th



Silent Movie

With

Dave Moreno

More in the January Spiel

STOCKTON FOX EVENT

BOB HOPE THEATRE

242 East Main Street

IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE

Sunday
Dec 14

1:30PM
\$8/Adults

Featuring

DAVE MORENO



On the
Mighty Morton

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