

# The Organ Spiel

NEWSLETTER FOR THE SIERRA CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

**Sizzling September Piper**



**September 2025**



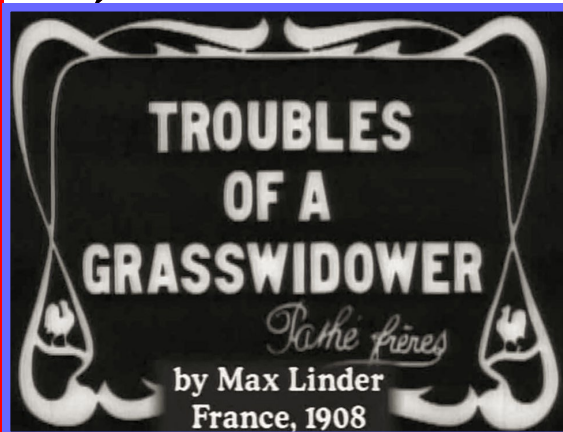
## ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Ice cream will be served; top it off with a wide range of toppings.

**Dave Moreno** has had an extensive background in playing the theatre organ, beginning when he was just 13. He's equally comfortable with silent movie accompaniment, solo music of the 1920's -1950's and jazz organ.

Over the past 40 years Dave has played in many of the great remaining vintage theatres and organ restaurants like the old Pizza and Pipes in Sacramento. As unique as his style is, so is his fashionable appearance. Moreno is an avid collector of vintage platform shoes, most from the 1970's, and his collection is currently over 600 pairs! *He's quite the showman!*

**Dave will entertain us with a mini-concert and a 10 minute Comedy Short.**



A housewife tires of her husband's annoying behavior and returns to her mother. At first, the husband is quite pleased to have the house all to himself. But he quickly discovers that even the most basic domestic chores can be fraught with difficulty.

**Max Linder** was a rather prolific filmmaker in the very early days of silent movies. He was the influence of actors like Chaplin, Keaton and Lloyd. and was largely responsible for the classic style of silent slapstick comedy. Come and enjoy!

**If you have not yet attended one of our events at the Jacob Music Room, here is another chance.**

Wendell built a large music room on his property to house his collection of musical instruments, including a Calliope, a Merry-go-round band organ, a Honky-tonk piano, and numerous electronic organs.

Of course, the centerpiece of the room is the restored **3/14 Moller Pipe Organ** from the Lobby of the former San Francisco Fox Theatre.



## ATOS 2025 Milwaukee Convention

### Attendees from Sierra and NorCal chapters



This was a great convention with 13 concerts on instruments ranging from residence organs to the 5/80 instrument at *San Filippo Estate* and the mind blowing 4/90 Symphonic at Carma Labs. Fabulous theatres in Milwaukee included the Riverside and the Oriental. Plus we had a fun lunch at *Organ Piper Pizza*. Watch for the 2026 Convention in Rochester, NY.



#### ***Presents:***

### **SILENT MOVIES with WALT STRONY**

On their Allen/Reuter Hybrid Organ

**Sunday, September 7, 4pm**

828 W. Main St, Grass Valley

## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS** (Since Aug 2024)

### Welcome New Members:

**William Yee**

### Renewing at the Benefactor Level:

**Alan Ashby  
Christopher Booras  
Michael Brown & Harold King Jr.  
Terry & Sherry Clifton  
Joan & Gary Grootveld  
Craig Peterson  
Tom Sebo & Cheryl Young  
Edward M Stout III  
Carol Zerbo & Dick Taylor  
Jon Townsend  
Randy & Adele Warwick**

### Renewing at the Patron Level:

**William Coale, Ph.D.  
Gary French  
Frank & Sondra Fuson  
Gary Konas  
Bill & Alice Kutzer  
Jeanne Paquette-French  
Jon Townsend  
Bill Trabucco  
Bill Traver  
Walt Strony**

### Renewing at the Sustaining Level:

**Charles Lindquist  
Sam Holsinger**

### Renewing at the Contributing Level:

**David & Linda Dewey  
Kathryn Morefield  
Mignonne Tinkham**

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR EVENTS**

### **SIERRA CHAPTER EVENT**

Jacob Music Room  
48 College Park  
Davis, CA

### **Sizzling Sept. Pipes**



**Saturday  
September 13  
2:00PM**

**Mini Concert  
and Silent Short Film**

**DAVE MORENO**

**\$10 At the Door  
Cash or Check only please**

### **FAIR OAKS PARK EVENT**

Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse  
7997 California Ave  
Fair Oaks, CA

### **A HALLOWEEN SPECIAL EVENT**

**DAVE MORENO**

Will accompany:

**Dr. JEKYLL & Mr. HYDE**

and the Silent Short

**HAUNTED HOUSE**

**October 29, 2025**

More details in the October edition  
of *The Organ Spiel*

### **SIERRA CHAPTER EVENT**

Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse  
7997 California Ave  
Fair Oaks, CA

### **Annual Meeting & Christmas Party**

**Tentative date is  
December 7**

**Organist TBD.**