# Rocky Mountain Chapter American Theatre Organ Society

### Calendar of Events

#### November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008 – <u>Got Gospel?</u> – 2 pm Holiday Hills Ballroom 2000 W. 92<sup>nd</sup> Avenue

The definition of Gospel gets stretched slightly for this annual event that features multiple organs, grand piano, instruments and voice. A hymn sing is also part of the program. Light refreshments will be served.

> Members: No charge; All others: \$5. For additional information call: 303-466-3330

#### February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – <u>Pipes & Stripes III</u> – 2 pm Denver Paramount Theatre

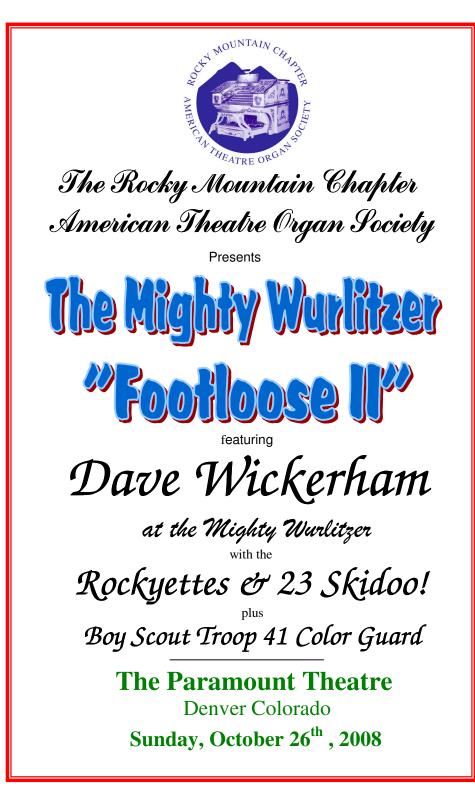
The twin consoles of the Paramount's Mighty Wurlitzer team up once again with the 101<sup>st</sup> Army Band and their Big Band and Dixieland ensembles for another great afternoon of family entertainment and enjoyment.

> There is no charge to attend this event. No tickets are needed .... Just come. *This is an RTD Senior Ride event.*

## Paramount Theatre Opening Night

The Publix Logo projected on the curtain prior to today's concert is from the August, 1930 newspaper ad heralding the opening of Denver's Paramount Theatre. The ad reads, in part....

"Nowhere in the world is there a theatre so modern... where the wonders of science, the genius of creation, the talents of the artisan have so perfectly united to make this truly, your THEATRE PERFECT!"



### About the Artists

**Dave Wickerham** was born in Encino, California in 1962. He began playing the electronic organ at the age of four and had his first pipe organ experience at age 10. His musical education started at age 7.

In 1976 he became Associate Organist at the famous Organ Stop Pizza Restaurants in Phoenix, Mesa and Tucson, Arizona. He attended the University of Arizona on a full scholarship, pursuing classical organ studies.

In 1984 Dave moved to the Chicago area to become Staff Organist at Pipes and Pizza in Lansing, Illinois. He concertized frequently as well as ministering musically and serving at various churches.

In 1990 Dave and family moved north to Wisconsin where he became Staff Organist at the Piper Music Palace in Greenfield (a suburb of Milwaukee).

In the Spring of 2000, Dave, wife Rhonda and their three children took an 18 month "sabbatical" from Wisconsin and moved to Las Vegas for a limited special engagement where Dave was featured theatre organist at "*Roxy's Pipe Organ Pizzeria*" at the Fiesta Casino and Hotel.

After a short time back in Wisconsin at the Piper Music Palace Dave, in 2005, accepted the position that he has today: Resident Organist at the Milhous Collection and Museum in Boca Raton, Florida. He also continues to maintain an active concert schedule.

**The Rockyettes** are a Colorado dance troupe of young-atheart women with ages from 47 to 87! They dance, tap and perform to Broadway show tunes and hits from the 40s & 50s. **Ann Kennedy** is the founder, director, producer, instructor, choreographer, and costumer. She teaches day and evening tap and Broadway dance classes at the North Jeffco Community Recreation Center. Ann is the recipient of a "9WhoCare" Award. **23 Skidoo!**, with artistic director **Tiffiny Wine**, started out as a high energy swing dance performance team dedicated to creating original 1930's inspired performances. Their competitive team has received national recognition. 23 Skidoo! also expanded into many other things, including a non-profit organization with a youth dance program.

Swing dancing is for all ages. Interested in learning how to dance Swing, Jitterbug, the Lindy Hop, etc.? Classes are held at the Mercury Café. Check out their web site: <u>www.23skidooland.com</u>

**Boy Scout Troop 41 Color Guard** makes their premier appearance at the Paramount Theatre for today's concert. The troop is sponsored by the Harvey Park Christian Church in Southwest Denver. Ranging in age from 12 to 17, under the direction of **Bob Williams**, the group has also performed as part of the Denver Police Department outreach programs.



\$15 per household per year
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