



# *Pipes Along the Rockies*

*Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain Chapter  
American Theatre Organ Society, Inc.*

*February, 2009*

*Information Line: 303-466-3330*

*Remember (from last year) the 101<sup>st</sup> Army Band w/Bob Castle & Jim Calm.....*



## **Pipes & Stripes III**

**Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm**

**Denver Paramount Theatre**

**No admission fee. No ticket is needed.**

The Denver Paramount's Mighty Wurlitzer and its twin consoles joins forces with the Colorado National Guard's 101<sup>st</sup> Army Band's Concert Ensemble and Dixieland Band for a spectacular afternoon of enjoyable, inspiring and no-admission-charge music. There is no reason not to attend!

The 101<sup>st</sup> Army Band consists of citizen-soldiers who come from as far away as Montrose and Scottsbluff, Nebraska to train intensively each month at Buckley AFB.

At the Mighty Wurlitzer will be internationally-known theatre organist and ATOS national President, Ken Double along with RMCATOS members Bob Castle and Jim Calm.

Ken Double and Bob Castle have produced the first commercial CD recorded at the Denver Paramount.

The event is sponsored by Kroenke Sports Charities, Live Nation and RMCATOS. The concert is

open to the public and there is no admission charge and no tickets are required.

What a wonderful opportunity to invite all your friends, relatives, grand children and neighbors to share in the musical excitement in Denver's historic Paramount Theatre. Let's fill the house!

Pipes & Stripes III is an RTD Senior Ride event.

***Last chance to renew...!***

## **Dues are (past) Due!**

Annual dues of \$15 per household, January to December, are now past due for year 2009.

If your dues for 2009 do not get paid, this will be your last newsletter.

You may renew at Pipes & Stripes III, or even better, send a check for \$15 payable to RMCATOS to:

**Richard Brooks**

**1301 Dahlia St.**

**Denver, CO 80220**

Your cooperation in getting 2009 off to a good start is greatly appreciated.

# Dancing .... Without the Stars

Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm

Holiday Hills Ballroom

**Members: No charge. All others \$5.**

Get out your dancing shoes... it's time for another wing-ding afternoon of music and dancing featuring Bev Bucci and her "crew" of top musicians.

Bev will be joined by Lee Traster (piano), Jerry Bucci (bass guitar), Roger Topliff (clarinet), Jim Calm (banjo) and Don Rea (drums). The group will be playing all styles of dance music.

Be sure to join us for this fun afternoon of music and dancing (without the stars).

Light refreshments will be served.

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*Keep your fingers crossed....*

## Doors Open Denver ... maybe

Saturday & Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>

10 am to 4 pm each day

Denver Paramount

**Everyone is welcome, no charge**

The annual Doors Open Denver event, where many of Denver's famous buildings are open to the public, is scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>.

Due to tentative (revenue-producing) bookings, the Paramount has not confirmed their participation for either day. If either or both days become available, RMCATOS will provide non-stop, live Wurlitzer music and theatre tours each day.

Final word on Paramount access will be published in the April RMCATOS newsletter.

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*Ho Ho Ho....*

## Christmas Gathering

Our December Club Social, "A Christmas Gathering", was held on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, in the Holiday Hills Ballroom. We enjoyed a delightful pot-luck luncheon with lots of festive and delicious treats accompanied by open console and open grand piano during the meal.



Santa was there, of course. Each person attending brought a wrapped white elephant item that was used during our new and interesting gift exchange procedure. A Christmas sing-along wrapped up a fun afternoon.

Our thanks to Doris Beverly, Lois Cady, Nina Edwards and their crew of volunteers for planning, organizing and executing a delightful event.... and to Rich Brooks for the photos.

Additional of photos can be found on our website:  
[www.RMCATOS.org](http://www.RMCATOS.org) Page 24 of "Club Events".

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*The practicing paid off...*

## Everyone's A Musician

Truly both an eye- and an ear-opening event on Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at Holiday Hills. "Everyone's A Musician" proved the title to be absolutely true.



Performances were mostly on various keyboard instruments with a recorder, hand chimes, a drum and a bongor thrown in for variety.

To ensure that indeed everyone was a musician, each person in attendance received their own pair of chopsticks that was used to play, would you be-

lieve, "Chopsticks", accompanied flawlessly by Lee Traster and Jim Calm at the grand piano.



Frank Cope was an excellent metronome as the assembled group of about 100 practiced their whole, half, quarter, eighth and sixteenth notes.



A surprise to everyone (including those who were playing) was the impromptu ensemble of Mike Schuh on the keyboard, Lee Traster on the piano, Bob Castle at the organ and Lee Shaw on the drum.



The afternoon wrapped up (actually, zipped up) with everyone participating in our traditional "Concerto for Theatre Organ, Grand Piano and Zipper".

Our thanks to all who participated. Our web site, [www.RMCATOS.org](http://www.RMCATOS.org) has excellent photos (by Bill Kwinn) of every performer. Look on page 25 of "Club Events" for the collection of pictures.... Or go to the "What's New" page and click on the underlined text for Club Events Page 25.

## Welcome New Members

Sandra Behr, Northglenn  
 Pearl L. Dirkman, Denver  
 Rebecca Jehorek, Denver  
 Shelly Sharp & Patrick Jehorek, Thornton  
 Dee Smyth, Golden  
 Fran Stern, Broomfield  
 LeRoy & Helen Swenson, Berthoud

## In Memoriam

Jack Walden, Loveland, former member and Kimball theatre organ owner passed away in November.

Dale Whyatt, Denver, husband of member Beverly Whyatt passed away in December.

Our sympathies to their families and friends.

## RMCATOS Officers for 2009

President: **Jim Burt** (970) 385-9490  
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 Secretary: **Priscilla Arthur** (303) 671-8333  
 Treasurer: **Rich Brooks** (303) 322-8586  
 Tickets: **Doris Beverly** (303) 466-3330

*If you have comments about club activities or would like to attend a board of directors meeting, contact one of the officers.*

## RMCATOS Events Calendar

**Feb 15<sup>th</sup>** – (Sun) – **Pipes & Stripes III**  
 Denver Paramount Theatre – 2 pm  
 The Mighty Wurlitzer and the 101<sup>st</sup>  
 Army Band & Ensembles  
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 Organ & instruments  
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*(Pending Paramount approval)*  
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 Non-stop live Wurlitzer music  
 Theatre Tours  
 Everyone welcome, no charge



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**“Everyone’s A Musician”** *photos by Bill Kwinn*

