



Pipes along the Rockies

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

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Information Line: 303-466-3330

Wurlitzer & Concert Grand Piano...

Red, White & Blue Ragtime Revue

Sunday, October 16th, 2 pm

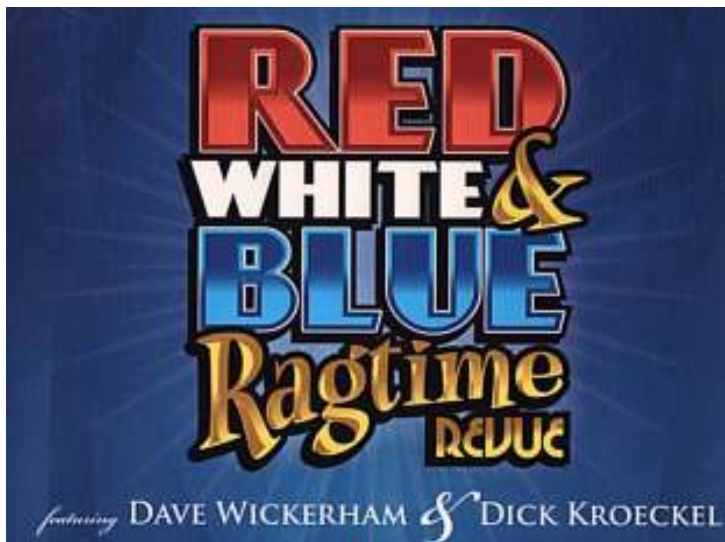
Denver Paramount Theatre

Adults, \$12 (includes free parking)

Students 18 & under admitted free

This is an RTD Senior Ride Event

A wonderful afternoon of musical entertainment for all ages will take place at the Denver Paramount on Sunday, October 16th, at 2 pm as **Dave Wickerham** at the console of the Mighty Wurlitzer and **Dick Kroeckel** at the Steinway concert grand piano present their Red, White & Blue Ragtime Revue!



Dave and Dick have performed similar concerts together receiving standing ovations and wild cheers of approval from audiences throughout the entire United States.

Dave Wickerham is the resident organist / curator for the Milhous Collection & Museum in Boca Raton, Florida. He is known internationally for his work as a solo theatre organist. Dave has been featured at the Denver Paramount in past years at the Footloose and Footloose II theatre organ events.

Dick Kroeckel is a noted piano technician and restorer of player pianos. He started his professional playing career in Evergreen, Colorado and for years was a ragtime pianist at a number of Colorado restaurants and casinos. Dick has also had prior performances at the Denver Paramount.

A number of surprises have been planned as ragtime and other musical styles (interspersed with enjoyable patter) are played on the theatre pipe organ or concert grand piano both alone and together.

This is something the whole family will enjoy and students 18 and under are admitted free!

Adult tickets are \$12 and include free parking at ramps on Welton and Tremont, each just a block from the theatre. Tickets may be purchased at the door, at RMCATOS events, or via the Internet at www.TicketHorse.com. Ticket Horse tickets will be \$13 and include a \$1 convenience fee.

See the map on the last page of this newsletter for additional details on where to park for free .

The Ragtime Revue will be the first public performance utilizing the newly re-installed original second vox humana pipe rank. See if you can hear the difference the additional pipe rank makes.

An RTD bus from Holiday Hills has been scheduled:

The Ragtime Revue is an RTD Senior Ride Event. An RTD bus from Holiday Hills has been reserved. Round trip bus fare between Holiday Hills and the Paramount is \$2.25 for Seniors (65 & over) and \$4.50 for all others.

Reserve Your RTD bus seat NOW!

RTD reservations must be made before **September 26th**. Call **Lorna Koemel, 303-430-4335** to reserve your bus seat. When it gets closer to the show date, Lorna will contact you regarding the time the bus will be leave Holiday Hills for the theatre.

Bus fare is paid in exact change when boarding the bus. A ticket to the show (\$12) is purchased separately and may be bought prior to boarding the bus.

Shall we gather at the ballroom? ...

Got Gospel?

Sunday, November 13th, 2 pm

Holiday Hills Ballroom

Members, no charge; all others \$5

Our annual "Gospel" bash will be Sunday, November 13th, 2 pm, at the Holiday Hills Ballroom. We do a little stretching of the definition of "Gospel", but generally the music is gospel, religious or classical in nature all a departure from the more traditional theatre organ fare.

A variety of performers have been scheduled including organists, pianists and vocalists.

As in the past, there will not be a sermon and the collection plate will not be passed! Amen!

Light refreshments will be served.

December Club Social

Christmas Gathering

Sunday, December 4th, 2 pm

Holiday Hills Ballroom

Members only

Because this event is so early in December, this is advance notice. The details will be repeated in the December newsletter.

Our "members only" Christmas Social will be held on Sunday, December 4th, at 2 pm in the Holiday Hills Ballroom. If you plan to attend please sign up at the November social or call Rick or Doris before December 2nd,

Rick Knoll at **303-237-6486**

Doris Beverly at **303-466-3330.**

The event will be pot luck, with the club providing ham, turkey, drinks, plates, silverware and napkins.

Members will provide salads, main dishes, relish trays, vegetables or dessert. When you call with your reservations, let Rick or Doris know what you plan to bring..... that will help us make sure that everyone doesn't bring broccoli or cheese cake!

The "White Elephant" exchange has been eliminated, so please be sure to leave any and all elephants (of any color) at home.

Our members did super...

"Free Day at the Paramount"

Just over 90 members showed up at the Denver Paramount on Sunday, August 7th, to listen to an afternoon of Mighty Wurlitzer music performed by 10 club members.

Prior to the show, the audience was shown a video presentation of Paramount and Wurlitzer facts and glimpses of past RMCATOS events at the theatre.

In the lobby, Jud Murphy manned the "how a pipe organ works" demo and showed the newly acquired copies, from the Smithsonian, of the original 1930 Wurlitzer theatre organ installation blue prints.



The ten members that played, listed in alphabetical sequence, were **Bob Beck, Janice Blakney, Jim Calm, Bob Castle, Mark Cumrine, Bob Flinn, DeLoy Goeglein, Bill Kwinn, Doug Thompson, and Lee Traster.**

Each member's performance was unique providing a great variety of music for the afternoon. The final item on the program was a new "silent" video presentation, accompanied by Bob Castle, showing historic photos of the Paramount through the years, views of the Paramount's Wurlitzer pipe chambers, and pictures of some of the past theatre configurations for various performances.

A walking theatre tour was provided after the event for those who were interested.

Our thanks to everyone who participated in the afternoon's activities. Additional photos can be found on page 4 of this newsletter and page 48 of "Club Events" at www.RMCATOS.org.

Yes, the Bobs did their thing.....

"Thing-a-ma-BOBS"

What an enjoyable time was had by the audience of just under 120 that attended the "Thing-a-ma-BOBS" club social on Sunday, September 18th at the Holiday Hills Ballroom.



The Bobs Flinn and Castle presented a program of theatre organ and grand piano music that included old time favorites, show tunes, some sentimental music and some want-to-get-up-and-march melodies.



Heads were bobbing (no pun intended), feet were tapping and lips were silently moving as familiar lyrics came go mind. Some folks were intently watching the "Bobbie sox" on the organ and piano pedals. (Pun intended.)

New member Bob (Flinn) and long time member Bob (Castle) performed as if they had been playing together for years we certainly hope they do.

In Memoriam

Member **Ben Foor** passed away August 5th. Our sympathies to Ben's wife Carol and to their families and friends.

Welcome New Members

John Tyson, Wheat Ridge
Bogie Dumitrescu, Denver
Sherrie & Jim Hill, Westminster

RMCATOS Officers for 2011

President: **Jim Calm** (303) 989-3671
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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

Oct 16 - (Sun) -

"Red, White & Blue Ragtime Review"

Denver Paramount Theatre - 2 pm
Dave Wickerham & Dick Kroeckel
General Admission, \$12
Students 18 and under admitted free
Free parking with Gen Admin ticket
This is an RTD Senior Ride event.
Tickets (\$12) at the door, at RMCATOS events or available online (\$13) at www.tickethorse.com

Nov 13 - (Sun) - **"Got Gospel?"**

Our annual "Gospel" musical bash
Holiday Hills Ballroom - 2 pm
Members, no charge; All others \$5.

Dec 4 - (Sun) - **"Christmas Pot Luck"**

Holiday Hills Ballroom - 2 pm
Members Only. No Charge.

Feb 12, 2012 - (Sun) - **"Pipes & Stripes VI"**

Mighty Wurlitzer & 101st Army Band
Denver Paramount Theatre - 2 pm
No admission charge. Public invited.
This is an RTD Senior Ride event.



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“Play the Paramount” - Photos by Bill Kwinn

Free Parking for RMCATOS Paramount Events

410 Building Parking Ramp -- 1692 Tremont Place

On right side of one-way Tremont ... Traditional parking ramp

Dominion Towers Garage -- 1607 Welton Street

On left side of one-way Welton ... “Paramount Parking” sign at entrance

For either location, drive in and park. Pay upon exit.

When exiting, present Paramount ticket stub for free parking.

Both ramps open 2 hours before the show & close 90 minutes after the show.

