



Pipes along the Rockies

Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain Chapter
American Theatre Organ Society, Inc.
February, 2012

Information Line: 303-466-3330

At the Paramount

Pipes & Stripes VI

Sunday, February 12th, 2 pm

Denver Paramount Theatre

Public is welcome: no admission charge

This is an RTD Senior Ride event

The twin consoles of the Paramount's original 1930 Mighty Wurlitzer theatre pipe organ join forces with the 101st Army Band of the Colorado National Guard to produce an afternoon of enjoyable music for the whole family And its all FREE!



Sponsored by RMCATOS and the Kroenke Sports Charities, there is no admission charge and no ticket is required. Because there are no tickets, there is no free parking associated with the event. Normal parking rates at lots and ramps in downtown Denver on Sunday usually are in the \$5 to \$8 range.

This is an RTD Senior Ride event. The RTD bus from Holiday Hills is full and has a wait list.

For those taking the Holiday Hills RTD bus, Lorna Koelmel will call you when she learns the bus departure time. When boarding the bus, those 65 and older pay, in exact change, \$2.25 for the round trip. For riders under 65, the charge is \$4.50 round trip.

If there are questions, call Lorna: 303-430-4335.

It's daylight savings clock change day

Request Rendezvous

Sunday, March 11th, 2 pm

Holiday Hills Ballroom

Members, no charge; all others, \$5

You'll be losing an hour of time when Daylight Savings Time begins on March 11th, but don't let that keep you from our March club social.

There was so much interest in request time at the January social, that most of the March social will be dedicated to taking (and playing) requests.

A number of club organists/pianists will be on hand to respond to the requests at some point, the "pressure to respond" will change from organists to audience for a "can you name that tune" session.

Seating will be at tables so **bring your own snacks** for yourself or for your table or for everybody to share. Sugar free lemonade and ice water will be available during the entire afternoon.

Brand new....

Paramount Documentary

Through most of the month of January, the Kroenke sports channel, Altitude Sports, has been airing a new documentary they filmed featuring the Denver Paramount Theatre. The RMCATOS "Pipes & Pops" event even gets a few seconds of exposure.

The documentary, a feature of "Behind the Experience:" will be shown three times in February.

Altitude Sports ... Comcast: Channel #25

Dish Network: Channel #410

Direct TV: Channel #681

Wednesday, February 1, 3:30 pm

Saturday, February 4, 4:30 pm

Sunday, February 5, 6:30 am

Fun for all ages

Doors Open Denver

Sunday, April 15th, 10 am to 2 pm (or later)

Denver Paramount Theatre

Public is welcome; no admission charge

Doors Open Denver has become an annual event. Over 70 buildings, all around Denver, will be open for the public to visit at no charge. The event runs Saturday and Sunday, April 14th & 15th.

There is a show booked for the Paramount on the 14th, so the Paramount will participate only on Sunday, April 15th. Doors open at 10 am and close at 2 pm, or later if no show is booked on the 15th.

RMCATOS will be providing Paramount Theatre tours, a demo on how organ pipes work, copies of the original Wurlitzer blue prints for the Paramount twin console organ installation and non-stop, live, Mighty Wurlitzer theatre organ music.

Come to the theatre whenever you wish (after 10 am) and stay as long or as short as you like (until closing). Use the theatre as your Doors Open Denver "headquarters" as you visit other open sites.

One of the other buildings that will be open is the Masonic Temple (built in 1890) that is just around the block from the Paramount at 1614 Welton. That should be an interesting visit.

A list of all buildings participating in 2012, along with a map of all locations, will be published in local newspapers and is available now on the web at: www.denvergov.org/doorsopendenver

A "to do" to do ... do your dues!

Thanks to those who paid!

Our thanks to all those members who have paid their 2012 membership dues. And a super-special "Thank You" to those members who so generously also included a tax-deductible donation to the club.

This is our last plea. For those who do not renew, this will be their last newsletter. If there is no red sticker on your newsletter, thanks, you have paid.

If there is a red "Pay your Dues" sticker on this newsletter ... then renew immediately: Send a check for \$15 payable to RMCATOS to:

Richard Brooks
1301 Dahlia St.
Denver, CO 80220

Holiday festivities

Christmas Pot Luck



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Our December club social was a potluck Christmas gathering with mountains of food and tables packed with happy friends enjoying holiday background

music on organ and piano including **Nancy Stuart, Hal Gloystein, Bob Castle, Jim Calm, DeLoy**



Goeglein and Lou Zeiler. Following the meal, **Don Bullock** led a holiday music sing-along accompanied by **DeLoy Goeglein** and **Jim Calm**.

More photos of the event on the back page and at: www.RMCATOS.org

Theatre organ, Sax & requests... **"Kevin, Doc Fergy & Friends"**

Back by popular demand were **Kevin Utter** and **Doc Fergy** from Fort Collins performing on the GW4Q theatre organ (Kevin) and the Tenor and rare C-Soprano Saxophones (Harry Ferguson).



Kevin and Harry were joined by Kevin's seeing eye dog, Bingo, who appeared to approve of all the music played... however, a quiet "arf, arf" could be heard upon learning that his favorite song, B-I-N-G-O had been scratched from the afternoon's play list.

Kevin performed a couple of solo numbers on the organ and spent time afterwards answering questions from the crowd of just under 100 regarding

how he managed to remember how to play and control the instrument and registrations without being



able to see. Part of the answer, Kevin revealed, was the pages of piston setting and tab stop location notes, in Braille, that were on the music rack.

The afternoon closed, all too quickly, with **Bob Castle** at the GW4Q console hosting request time. Left over request cards have been placed in the RMCATOS vault and will be retrieved when the request process continues at the March club social.

Additional photos can be found on the club website: www.RMCATOS.org

Message from Maxine

Member **Maxine Mulliniks** has been a long-time loyal member of the bi-monthly RMCATOS Newsletter "folding, stuffing and stamping" work group.

In the latter part of 2011 Maxine moved to Arizona. When she renewed her membership for 2012, Maxine indicated she has had two heart attacks since arriving in Arizona, but she feels much better now. She sends best wishes to all our members and says she misses all of us very much.

Maxine, we miss you very much also.

Volunteers Needed

RMCATOS is still very much in need of additional volunteers who will take over several positions and responsibilities of the organization.

Offices of President and Vice President are vacant. There is need for a new Newsletter editor, a need for someone to take some of the treasurer functions, a need for technical support and other jobs.

If you have an interest in and are willing to take any of these positions of responsibility, please call Jim Calm: 303-989-3671. Without additional, consistent help, RMCATOS activities and functions will need to be modified accordingly.

RMCATOS Officers for 2012

President:

VP:

Secretary: **Janice Blakney** (303) 895-8934

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.

Welcome New Members

Gloria Leyshon, Federal Heights

Joe & Cindy Pinner, Greeley

RMCATOS Events Calendar

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101st Army Band

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No admission charge, No ticket needed

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