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Dave Calendine Returns to Senate Sunday, September 11, 2016 3:00 p.m.

September's concert has someone that is very familiar around the Senate Theater. Dave Calendine has been on the Board of Directors for several years, and is the current Treasurer for the Detroit Theater Organ Society. He also creates this newsletter for the DTOS.

Dave is a big fan of almost anything Disney, and has decided to do a concert with a Disney theme. "Music of the Mouse" will be performed on the Mighty Wurlitzer theatre pipe organ at the Senate Theater on Sunday, September 11, at 3:00 p.m.

As part of the concert, there will be silent film cartoons shown that were done by Walt Disney himself. These early cartoons were drawn before he came up with Mickey Mouse, and include a silent cartoon short that was never released to the general public.

Dave has been playing the piano since the age of three. At the age of twelve, he started showing interest in the organ at his church, teaching himself how to play the pedals, and the different sounds of each stop of the organ.

At the age of sixteen, he first heard a theatre organ, with Lyn Larsen at the console

of the Wurlitzer organ at the Akron Civic Theatre. It was life-changing for him, and he set out to get his hands on the organ no matter the cost.

After begging the Akron Civic Theatre staff to let him in to try out the organ, he was given the chance after helping volunteer at a movie. He was only given twenty minutes to play after the movie, but he was in heaven. The next week, the manager of the theatre called and asked him to come on staff and play for shows. He remained active at the theatre for over three years.

Dave has performed throughout the country, and has performed in Canada, Germany and Switzerland.

For his regular "daytime" job, Dave works for the Detroit Red Wings / Olympia Entertainment as their Operations Manager. As part of that job, he is organist at the Fox Theatre, Joe Louis Arena, and the soon-to-be-finished-being-built Little Caesars Arena.

Come to the Senate Theater on September 11 to hear some of your favorite Disney songs, from the early days of Disney animation, to music from the theme parks, there will be lots of fun music to cover.

Doors open at 2:00 p.m., with the concert starting at 3:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you at the Senate Theater as we resume our concert series after a hot summer off!



Summer Picnic

Another wonderful day of food, fellowship and theatre organ music was held at the home of Dave Voydanoff and Glenn Rank.

Several members of the DTOS once again were treated to a wonderful day at their waterfront home as the summer begins its departure. The home is surrounded with antique fans,

antique clocks, a greenhouse, an antique Chris Craft that Glenn once owned and restored (re-powered by Dave Voydanoff with a Chrysler Crown, "vroom") that now belongs to the neighbor and the vintage Wurlitzer pipe organ. Many great items in one spot!

The center of attention besides the food and fellowship

was the opus number 1193 Wurlitzer organ, originally installed in the Lancaster Theatre in 1925. It was originally a style D Wurlitzer with three manuals. It was eventually expanded to eleven ranks. It was removed from the theatre by George Orbits. It found its way from George to Henry Przybylski and then to Dave Voydanoff.

Several members took their turn at the console, showing it off as others gathered around the "organ room" to listen.

What a wonderful, sunny, warm day we had.

Thanks to Dave Voydanoff and Glenn Rank once again for their wonderful hospitality!

*Kevin Werner
DTOS Board of Directors*



Left: Lancaster Theatre marquee

Right: Guests sit outside and listen to the organ.

Below: Chris Craft watercraft dockside.



Artist Restroom Rebuild Progressing

*Joan Brown
DTOS Board of Directors*

Despite the heat, work to the artists' bathroom is well under way.

With the great help of plumber Bill Vought the sink, vanity and toilet were removed to find literally a disintegrated floor underneath. The entire old flooring has been removed and the concrete was cleaned with an agent to kill mold, fungus and other contaminants. By the time you read this the new floor will be down. Following expert advice there will be no subfloor laid. The adhesive is water resistant (except in extreme cases of hot water), the new floor is a sealed vinyl.

We have also removed all of the moulding and closet doors, which were washed. The door will be painted.

Everything, including the walls, will be washed prior to reinstalling the fixtures, which the plumber will do. A new seal and new bolts will be used on the toilet. I can assure anyone we will not find 'mushrooms' growing behind the toilet anytime soon and it will also be quite stable!

Cost to date has been under \$75 as we are doing most work ourselves and a plumber friend has volunteered his time.



Artist's bathroom floor getting much-needed work done.

Silent Movie with Fr. Andrew Rogers

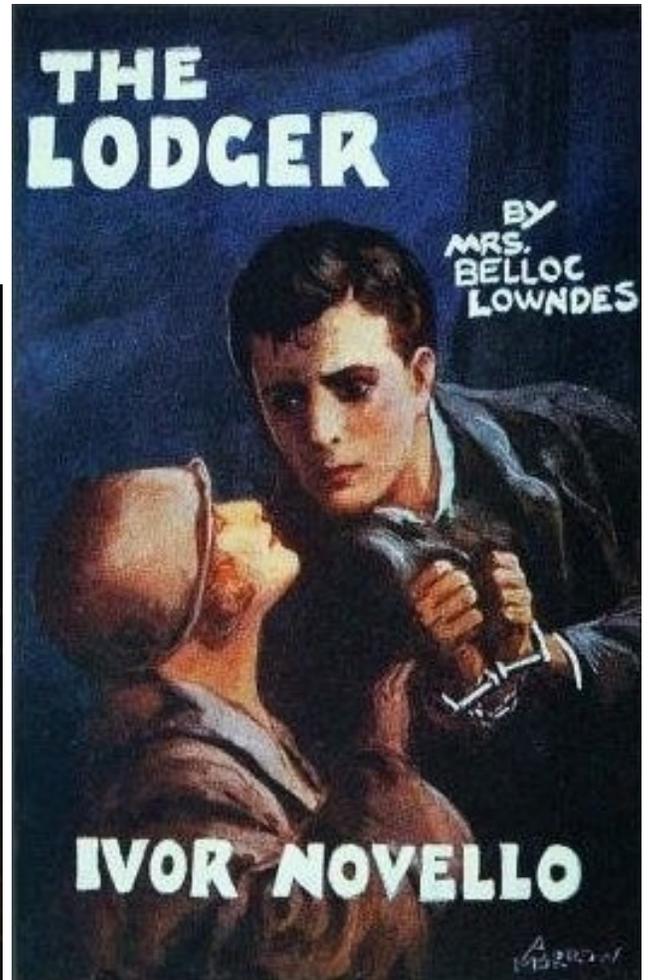
Saturday, September 24
8:00 p.m.

A special night with Fr. Andrew Rogers will take place on Saturday evening, September 24th when he accompanies the 1927 silent movie "The Lodger: A Story of The London Fog." Come see this Alfred Hitchcock classic come alive on screen while Fr. Andrew Rogers accompanies it live on our Wurlitzer

theater pipe organ!

Come see what the theatre organ was built for as this silent classic is shown on the Senate's big screen.

Showtime for this special silent movie event is 8:00 p.m., with the doors to the theater opening at 7:00 p.m.



Visit our friends at the Redford Theatre for their classic film series.

September 23-25—Noir City Detroit—7 Film Noir movies over 3 days!

The Killers; 99 River Street; Double Indemnity; The Prowler; Blue Velvet;

The Lady from Shanghai and Woman on the Run

October 7 & 8—Three Stooges Halloween Festival

October 14—The Haunting

October 15—The Gold Rush, accompanied live by John Lauter at the Barton organ.

October 21 & 22—Young Frankenstein (evenings only)

October 22—Beetlejuice (matinee only)

Full schedule of events, including times and prices, can be found on the web site

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2016 Concert & Silent Movie Series

September 11—Dave Calendine

September 24—Silent Movie

with Fr. Andrew Rogers

October 16—Pierre Fracalanza

November 20—Justin Stahl

December 4—Lance Luce



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