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ANNUAL DUES INCREASE TO \$40.00 FOR 2023

By: Joel Martis

The business meeting held at our September 11th social was for the membership to vote on whether the dues should be increased from thirty dollars a year to forty dollars. The membership present voted 100% in favor of increasing the dues. For 2023, annual dues will be \$40.00 a year.

The board approved a yearly budget for the 2023 monthly socials that will make Don's job a little easier. He has done a wonderful job as our program director.

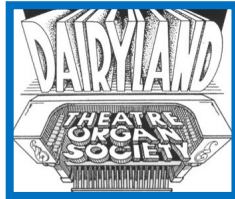
Another change you will see in 2023 is going to be any extra money that any member sends in with their dues. Any amount over the forty dollars will be considered a donation and that member will receive a tax deductible letter from JATOE for income tax purposes, if they want to use it now that we are a 501(c)3 organization. JATOE will no longer apply extra money to future dues as we have done in the past. It just makes record keeping a bit confusing to say the least. This will help Jim out greatly. You will find the annual renewal form on page 4. We are accepting 2023 dues now. Please send them to Jim Patak. His address is on the form. Please **DO NOT SEND DUES TO THE RIALTO ADDRESS**. We look forward to seeing all of you for our 2023 season of concerts at the beautiful Rialto Square Theater.



Here's What's Happening!



click on the icon to go to our sister chapters web site for the latest news and events.



Editor's Note



By Rick Steinke

Hi Everyone. A lot has happened since the last newsletter. At the last social a business meeting was held before the Concert and it was voted on to increase the Family Dues to \$40.00 a year.

We applied to the State of Illinois for a Sales Tax exemption. We are still waiting for a decision from the State.

Work continues on projects for CATO. We have completed the restoration of the SOLO Swell Shade chest, the ECHO Swell Shade chest and the XYLOPHONE.. We have started work on the restoration of the TOY COUNTER and should have it completed in October.

**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS**

President's Message

By Joel Martis

THANK YOU!

We bring a close to our 2022 season at the Rialto with our October 2nd Halloween party. It's been a great year, with great music. Please check out what else will be going on at the Rialto during the Holiday Season. There are a lot of good shows planned, movies, things for kids and grand kids. There is something for everyone to enjoy. We will start our 2023 season on January 15th with Zach Frame at the Barton Grande. Thank you so much for your continued support of JATOE and our mission.



By Don Walker

Hi members and friends!

It's been a great year for JATOE. From the wonderful artists featured at our socials to the progress made on the Barton, we are well positioned to become a convention highlight once again when Chicago hosts the ATOS annual convention. The last ATOS convention in Chicago was 1993, and Simon Gledhill from the UK, and the late, Kay McAbee provided stellar and exciting performances that will never be forgotten by those in attendance. I encourage each of you who can to attend the convention. The opportunity may not again be available for many years as it's happening in our own Chicago area. I wish all of you and your family and friends a Very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

CTOS & JATOE PRESENTS

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER
11TH , 3PM**

**GREG OWEN
AT THE ALLEN ORGAN
STUDIO**



Greg Owen has established himself as a widely known concert artist throughout the United States. Born in 1965, he has had a love for the organ since the age of 9. Inspired by artists such as Virgil Fox, Lyn Larsen, Walt Strony and Tom Hazelton, Greg has taken a style all his own.

He has concertized for numerous chapters from the east and west coasts. He has performed for the Garden State theatre organ society at such venues as the Trenton War Memorial, The Loews Jersey Wonder Morton, the Pascack Theatre, the Rahway Theatre and for NYTOS at the Lafayette Theatre in Suffern, the New York Military Academy in Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York and at Long Island University in Brooklyn, New York. He has also played at the Byrd Theatre in Richmond, Virginia, as well as the Alabama Theatre in Birmingham, Alabama.

Equally at home with electronic organs, he has his own custom instrument he brings to different venues around the country as well as having played in restaurants throughout the years. He has played the Wanamaker organ on numerous occasions as well as many other venues including the Atlantic City Convention Hall Organ and the Sanfilippo Residence Organ, including the Wichita Wurlitzer. He has held the prestigious position as staff organist at the Organ Loft in Salt Lake City for over 4 years. Equally at home on electronic organs, Greg has played for many electronic organ societies including the Hammond Organ Society and the Monmouth Organ Society in New Jersey. He is a Yamaha National Electone Organ Festival Competition winner. He has performed at the Kansas City Music Hall in Kansas City on the large Robert Morton organ. Recently, he performed for the River City Theatre Organ Society at the Rose Theatre WurliTzer and his Allen MDS317EX with Hauptwerk in his home.

Doors open at 2:30 pm Show starts at 3:00 pm. Bring Refreshments!

Joliet Area Theater Organ Enthusiasts 2023 Annual Renewal Form

Please Print or affix an address sticker

Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

E-Mail _____@_____

JATOE Annual Membership Dues \$40.00

(Any Amount over \$40.00 is Tax Deductible)

Make checks payable to: JATOE

**Mail this form and remittance
before March 31st to:**

**Jim Patak
1406 Mandel Ave
Westchester, Ill 60154**

Annual Dues Amounts

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|-----------------|-----------|
| Students | \$15.00 |
| Regular | \$40.00 |
| Supporting | \$50.00 |
| Sponsoring | \$100.00 |
| Sustaining | \$500.00 |
| Presidents Club | \$1000.00 |

(Any Amount over \$40.00 is Tax Deductible)

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Signature (if under 18 years of age) _____

Thank You for your continued support of JATOE and its mission to care for and maintain the Rialto's Barton Grande Theater Pipe Organ.



LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS RESPOND

By: Joel Martis

On September 10th I sent an email out to the four local High Schools in the Joliet Area., asking how can our organization get on their list for community service hours. All High Schools require a certain amount of community service hours for graduation. Providence Catholic HS in New Lenox, Joliet Catholic Academy HS, Joliet West HS and Joliet Central HS in Joliet were all emailed.

All four responded back and emailed my request to their students. We had 5 students come to help for our Oct 2nd Halloween party doing various tasks. This is fantastic. I had a total of 16 respond. I'll continue to email the schools each month for students who want to come down to help.



TICKETS ON SALE: Friday, April 15 at 10 AM

Tickets: \$88.50, \$78.50, \$58.50, \$48.50



TICKETS ON SALE: September 16 at 10 AM

Tickets: Children \$19.50, Adults \$22.50

Two Times 9:30am & 12:30pm

*Enjoy the many Holiday Specials
at the Rialto Square Theater.*

Also enjoy the programs from our sister chapters CTOS & CATOE!

CTOS:

Allen Organ Studios

Doors open 2:30pm, program at 3pm

Sunday, Nov.13th, Mark Herman

Sunday, Dec.11th, Greg Owen



CATOE:

Sunday November 6th:

Downers Grove North High School

Doors open at 1:30, concert at 2pm

David Rhodes, Organist



TICKETS ON SALE: August 12 at 10 AM
 Tickets: \$49, \$34, \$29

Trivia Answers for the Sept/Oct Issue

1. B. George, Jules, Harry, Maurice, Claude and Louis
2. A. Bijou, B. Princess, C. Orpheum, D. Crystal Stairs and E. Drexel
3. B. Eugene Romero
4. B. 2085
5. C. Rapp & Rapp

\$5

REELS AT THE RIALTO



Polar Express

November 26 - 1 PM



Home Alone

December 4 - 7 PM



It's A Wonderful Life

December 18 - 1 PM



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Taylor's Trivia

1. What is the nickname of the grand chandelier in the rotunda?
 - A. Duchess
 - B. Princess
 - C. Queen
 - D. Crown Jewel
2. What were the names of the two ladies that spearheaded the "Save the Rialto"?
 - A. Dorothy Lamour and Nancy Kerrigan.
 - B. Dorothy Mavrich and Nancy George
 - C. Dorothy Gale and Nancy Drew.
 - D. Dorothy Zbornak and Nancy Reagan.
3. What was the first movie played at the Rialto?
 - A. The General.
 - B. The Scarlet Letter
 - C. The Son of the Shiek
 - D. Mademoiselle Modiste
4. What year did the Rialto open?
 - A. 1924
 - B. 1925
 - C. 1926
 - D. 1927
5. When did the restoration of the Rialto begin?
 - A. 1977
 - B. 1980
 - C. 1982
 - D. 1983



Live Organ Music
 Dance Session
 with **Carl DeSanti**
 Mondays, 7:30-10:00pm

*A Very
Rialto Christmas*
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In Support of the Rialto Square Theatre

Doors open 30 minutes prior to start time.
TICKETS ON SALE: Friday, September 9
at 10 AM **Tickets: Children \$19.50, Adults
\$22.50**



TICKETS ON SALE: Friday, August
12 at 10 AM

**Tickets: \$40.50, \$32.50 , children (12
& under) – \$22.50**



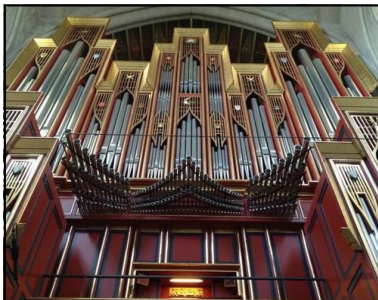
Tickets on Sale: September 23 at 10 am
Tickets are available at the box office only.



Please remember the following people in your prayers Bill
Reynolds, Don Young, Bernice Walker, Norma Peters



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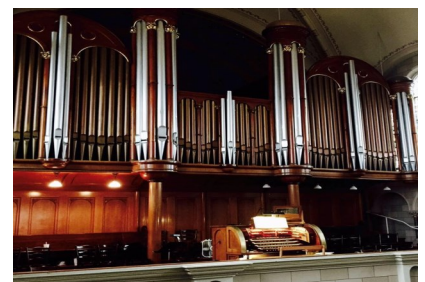
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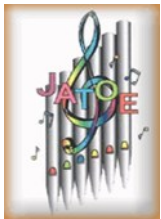
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