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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE JOLIET AREA THEATRE ORGAN ENTHUSIASTS

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By Joel Martis

## The winners of the convention tickets are Terry Marsala and William Reynolds

CONGRATULATIONS! Back in February, Barb and Warren Stiska made a very generous donation of two tickets for two individuals to attend the 2023 convention since they are not able to attend anymore. Their offer was extended to our sister chapters CTOS and CATOE. During JATOE's February social, members were able to enter their name for the drawing. Likewise, at the CTOS social on February 26th, their members had the chance to enter. CATOE did have a social planned, but unfortunately it did not happen. All of us appreciate the generosity of Barb and Warren and their continued support of what we do to promote the art of the theater pipe organ.



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You

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**Enter 121 Scott St. Stage Doors open at 1:30 pm Show starts at 2:00 pm. Bring Refreshments!**



Cletus began his musical studies on piano at age 4 and voice at age 9. In his mid-teen years, his interest turned to theatre organ after hearing the Wurlitzer organ at the Paramount Music Palace. During high school, Cletus was booked in Muncie Indiana at the Skyline Restaurant and in Anderson Indiana at the Shamrock Bar, just one block away from the

Paramount Theatre and its Page organ. Besides playing Hammond and singing in these lounges and restaurants, he began playing intermissions at the Paramount, as well as appearing as a guest at the Cardinal Music Palace in Fort Wayne and Pipe Dream restaurant in Kokomo. After two years playing piano and singing with a show band, Cletus decided to return to Marion to perform on piano at Meshingomesia Country Club for the next twelve years. With a strong vocal training background, he has also enjoyed positions as an organist, choirmaster, and Minister of Music for several churches. In 1996 he re-joined ATOS, and has since performed for several Central Indiana Chapter meetings. He has also performed on piano for the 1997 and the 2001 ATOS National Conventions, and was a playoff judge for the 2001 ATOS Young Artist Competition as well as chief usher. Now living in Fort Wayne and working as a telephone bill auditor for Centennial Wireless, Cletus spends time as the first official organist for the Fort Wayne Wizards baseball team, serves on the board of Cantabile! (an Indianapolis-based professional choir), and holds the office of 2nd Vice-President of CIC-ATOS.



# Welcome

## New Members

Lets Welcome our new members Lori Moreland and Dr. Daryl Caneva. Lori played for us at our February social and resides in St John, Indiana. Dr, Caneva resides in Lockport.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

### *Annual Dues*

**PAST DUE**

Annual Membership dues were due by March 31st. This will be your last issue of the newsletter if we have not received your annual dues of \$40. If you have forgotten, just send them in to Jim Patak. (Form is on page 4) Our membership is what makes JATOE what it is. We would hate to lose you!

**JATOE Membership 2022-121members, 2023-81 members**



JATOE received the news that Lil Zuber passed away on February 12, 2023 at the age of 95 in Sun City Arizona. Lil was instrumental in the growth of JATOE and the restoration of the Barton in the early 1990's. She started off as our "Refreshment Queen,"

taking care of the food tables. Later on she became the only woman president of JATOE. She was responsible for the famous JATOE cookbook. She was always a happy person, eagerly ready to tell you a funny story. Preceded in death by her husband Henry "Hank" Zuber in November 2015, she continued to be a great supporter after they moved to Sun City West, AZ after Hanks retirement. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.



Please Remember

JATOE Member

Robert Dubelbeis who  
passed away

February 25, 2023



Happy   
*Mother's*  
Day

*Happy*  
*Father's*  
*Day!*



# Joliet Area Theatre Organ Enthusiasts

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And follow us on Facebook

## 2023 Annual Dues

Dear JATOE Member,

This is your annual due's notice. Please fill it out so we have your updated information, especially your email address and mail it to **Jim Patak at the address below**. Thank you for your continued support of JATOE. We are looking forward to a great 2023 and seeing all of you. You can affix an address label below:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Please check the box if you prefer to receive the newsletter by regular mail. ☐

Do you belong to the American Theatre Organ Society (ATOS)? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: JATOE**

**Mail this form and remittance to:**

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

### Annual Dues Amounts

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)*

# UPcoming EVENTS

## Join our sister chapter CTOS:

Saturday, May 20th GREG OWEN  
"Phrasing & Registration" Workshop  
2:00 PM, Cost is \$30/Person

Sunday, May 21st GREG OWEN,  
CTOS SOCIAL 3:00 PM , Doors open  
at 2:30pm.



It's that time again. We will have a short business meeting at the May 28th social for the purpose of nominations for the JATOE Board. If you would like to be on the board, make your intentions known.



## THANK YOU JUDY!

I want to personally thank Judy Matarelli for her service and support as a JATOE Board member over the last six years. Judy has decided not to seek another term. Judy's support has been instrumental in getting the Barton Grande to where it is today. I know Judy will always be a great supporter of JATOE and I wish her all my best. Thank You Judy!

-Joel Martis

Happy Trails

## Rialto & Arcada Convention Shows Open to the Public!



The July 3rd show featuring Dave Wickerham and the July 6th show featuring Simon Gledhill will be open to the public. Ticket price for each show is \$20. Each show begins at 8pm at the Rialto Square Theater in Joliet. Tickets can be purchased at the Rialto's Box Office or on line at Ticket Master, click on the links below.

[Dave Wickerham Tickets Jul 03, 2023 Joliet, IL | Ticketmaster](#)

[Simon Gledhill Tickets Jul 06, 2023 Joliet, IL | Ticketmaster](#)

The Arcada Show with Tedde Gibson will also open to the public on July 5th (Silent Movie, Captain January ) Tickets are \$20 each.

How wonderful that ATOS has opened up these three shows to the general public so that they can experience the wonderful sounds of the theatre organ and the beauty of the theatres.



Click on the link below to register on line or fill out the paper form and mail it.

Online Registration: [www.atos.org/convention](http://www.atos.org/convention)



Registration is OPEN



### Convention Schedule

#### SUNDAY, JULY 2 – PRE-GLOW

The Pre-Glow begins with a visit to the incomparable Sanfilippo Estate. **Richard Hills** will be featured at the 5/80 Wurlitzer. After the concert we will adjourn to the pavilion to ride the historic 1890 carousel.

#### MONDAY, JULY 3

MORNING: **Walt Strony** at Mundelein. 4/21 Mundelein Organ

AFTERNOON: Membership Meeting / No Host Cocktail Party

EVENING: **Dave Wickerham** at the Rialto Theatre. 4/27 Barton Grande

#### TUESDAY, JULY 4

MORNING: **Justin Stahl** at the Tivoli Theatre. 3/10 Wurlitzer

AFTERNOON: YTOC and **Aaron Hawthorne** at the Arcada Theatre. 3/19 Geneva Marr/Colton

EVENING: July 4th Celebration at the Hotel.

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

MORNING: Workshops/Seminars/Open Console at the Hotel.

AFTERNOON: Award Ceremony / Luncheon

EVENING: **Tedde Gibson** silent movie “Captain January” at the Arcada Theatre. 3/19 Geneva/Marr Colton

#### THURSDAY, JULY 6

MORNING: **Brett Valliant** at Mundelein. 4/21 Mundelein Organ

AFTERNOON: Member Forum/Seminars

EVENING: ATOS Finale – **Simon Gledhill** at the Rialto. 4/27 Barton Grande

#### FRIDAY, JULY 7 – AFTER-GLOW

The afterglow will feature a visit to Organ Piper Pizza and Carma Labs.

**Zach Frame** will perform on the 3/30 Wurlitzer at Organ Piper Pizza

**Jelani Eddington** will perform on the 4/90 Wurlitzer at Carma Labs.



Sheraton Hotel



**July 2 – 7 2023**

Hosted by: Chicago Area Theatre Organ Enthusiasts  
2023 Registration Form  
Online Registration: [www.atos.org/convention](http://www.atos.org/convention)

**Please Print**

ATOS Member \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Other \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

ATOS Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Print on Badge Y N

Please indicate any special assistance or dietary needs below.  
(i.e. wheelchair access, lift to board bus, nut allergy)

We strongly encourage you to contact us well in advance so we  
can accommodate your needs

Item	Dates	#	Price	Totals
Earliest Registration	Thru 1/31	_____	@ \$429 = \$_____	
Early Bird Registration	Thru 2/28	_____	@ \$439 = \$_____	
Regular Registration	Thru 5/31	_____	@ \$449 = \$_____	
Late Registration	After 5/31	_____	@ \$479 = \$_____	
Youth Registration (25 & under)		_____	@ \$199 = \$_____	
Pre-Glow (Limited Seating)	Sun 7/2	_____	@ \$125 = \$_____	
After-Glow (Limited Seating)	Friday 7/7	_____	@ \$125 = \$_____	

Convention Highlights CD \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Includes USA Shipping, international to be determined

**Convention Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Luncheon Banquet Selections:**

Pasta Primavera \$35 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken Marsala \$38 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Steak Tenderloin \$41 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grilled Tilapia \$42 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet includes salad or soup, garlic mashed potato,  
seasonal vegetable, cheesecake, and beverage

Indicate Salad \_\_\_\_ or Soup of the Day \_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment**

☐ Check enclosed, payable to ATOS CONVENTION

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Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

Security Code \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

(3- or 4-digit code)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**CANCELLATIONS**

A full refund will be made if the request is made before  
May 31<sup>st</sup>. After May 31, a \$150 service fee will be charged  
No refunds after June 21.

**WAITING LISTS**

A waiting list will be created once the Pre-Glow and/or  
After-Glow are filled. You will be contacted in the order  
received should an opening occur.

**Mail Completed Registration form to**

Joel Martis, Registrar

CATOE/ATOS Convention

PO Box 2631

Joliet, Illinois 60434

**\*\*ATOS Membership is required -per household.** The annual  
membership is \$50 but a special \$25 one-time membership  
is available for first-time members or for those whose ATOS  
membership has been expired for more than 2 years. A separate  
check made out to ATOS is required for membership or online  
at [www.atos.org/atos-membership](http://www.atos.org/atos-membership)

**\*\*Questions? Email to** [catoe2023@att.net](mailto:catoe2023@att.net) or [registrar@atos.org](mailto:registrar@atos.org)  
or call 1.779.624.6760

**Hotel Reservations**

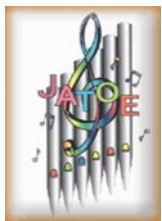
The Sheraton Lisle offers rates starting at \$109 single, double  
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American Theatre Organ Society rate -- or visit:

<https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1667493053430&key=GRP>





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