

## *No February Meeting*

Due to circumstances beyond our Board of Directors control, there will be no Atlanta Chapter meeting in February 2013.

Please accept apologies from your editor for the late publication of this newsletter. Distribution was delayed because we expected to announce a February program.

### *Double-Decked !!*



Sunday, January 27th, 2012, at 3:00 P.M, the residence of Ken Double was literally bursting at the seams !! It looked like a small stadium crowd !!! The house was full, literally stacked up the staircase !!!!

The event: Our chapter meeting and a concert by a local favorite.

After a brief welcome by chapter president Tim Stephens, our host, Mr. Ken Double, told us of the recent work, by our guest artist, in voicing and regulating the Allen Renaissance GW-IV and the details of the meticulous work involved – which we were then allowed to hear live. Ken then introduced Mark Herman, and we were off !!!

Right to the music, and music it was ! To begin, the title song “Sweet Music” from the film of the same name, gave hints of what was to follow. Next, a couple of great ballad standards, “How About You” and (for Bucky) “I Concentrate on You.”

Then, a medley of songs by a Hollywood master - Harry Warren: Out of the thousands of possibilities, we were offered “We’re in the Money,” “In the Know,” “Nagasaki,” “Jeepers, Creepers,” “You’ll Never Know,” “Shadow Waltz,” “I Don’t Know Why, I Just Do,” and “Laughing on the Outside.”

The Big Band – Hot Jazz era was woven into “One Love,” a selection to get us stirred up, and to take us into the intermission.

This is when we got “The Business:”

Kathy Lanegger was introduced to the chapter as our newly elected secretary (I hope she doesn’t know what she’s in for !!) Out-going vice president Bob McKoon told us he was still part of us, just out of time for the VP duties. So, we nominated (ambushed) recently retired James Thrower and he graciously accepted (a polite way of stating what he really told us !!)

Next, Larry Davis presented the Liz Fields Award for “Significant Contributions by a New Member” to Tim Stephens, a relatively new member who has already been secretary and now

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***Welcome New Members***

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president – just you wait, Tim !!!

Tim presented the Lifetime Achievement Award (long overdue) to Bucky Reddish for his past generous gifts of meeting venue / host / artist booking agent and chapter mentor-friend.



Then the music came again:

The tune "Love" by Ralph Blane and Hugh Martin (we will hear from these two later) led the second half to an equally musical parade of songs. The second selection – a tender offering of "When Your Lover Has Gone."

Next a medley from the pen of the unique Cole Porter: We heard "From This Moment On," "Anything Goes," "I Love You," "You'd Be So Nice to Come Home To," "I Get a Kick Out of You," "Don't Fence Me In," and "Just One of Those Things." All winners !!

Blane and Martin (remember them ??) spoke again with a selection from the film "Meet Me in St. Louis," "The Boy Next Door".

"When the Saints Go Marching In" was the closer (it is Sunday, after all !!)

An encore was called for (demanded – we were too many for him to escape) and we were given "Tiger Rag," a fitting closing to the afternoon.

Following the descending of the locusts on the wonderful spread provided by host and members, open console was offered and taken.

Thank you Mark for the hard work and the great program, to Ken for the allowed invasion of his home and his duties of host well executed.

Offered by **Biz E. Body**, a completely unbiased ear! Remember, the walls / chambers / stairwell, and kitchen all have ears!!

### *President's Message*



I hope you were as thrilled as I when the January/February issue of *Theatre Organ* arrived to see the Fabulous Fox marquee on its cover. It was not only a reality check of things to come, but a reminder of just

how close we are to Convention time. At now less than five months out, registrations are coming in at a very good pace. From Perth, Western Australia to London, England and all corners in between, folks are excited about Atlanta 2013. If you haven't taken a peek at the slick new website, scroll on over to [www.atosatlanta2013.org](http://www.atosatlanta2013.org), check it out, and register!

Speaking of slick new websites, we're pleased to unveil another one – a brand new home on the web for ATOS Atlanta at [www.atosatlanta.org](http://www.atosatlanta.org)! Mark Herman did another stellar job with the layout and design of this site, and we're thrilled to be able to showcase more of what we're doing to preserve and promote the theatre organ in and around Atlanta. The site is still very much a work in progress, and if there's content you'd like to see on there, please send me a note at [tcstephens@gmail.com](mailto:tcstephens@gmail.com). We'll have even more exciting news to share next month on another project we've been working hard on.

Several members have asked how things are coming along with the Page organ installation at Stephenson High School. Jack, Rick, Bob, Randy, Larry, Ted, Ken, and all the "school crew" have made outstanding progress with the console and inside the chambers. John "Grumpy" Tanner, with assistance from Larry Davis, has been busy repairing chest work as well as performing rehab work on several of the organ's reed ranks. Larry Donaldson and our friends over at the Alabama Chapter have been working on several Wurlitzer items in the organ, and have turned them around in record-setting time. To those who have made donations, your contributions have been instrumental in getting the organ this far. To those who are still looking to donate, we're still looking to receive!

Our friends over at the Alabama Chapter have been busy not only assisting our Page crew, they've been putting in the overtime to make "Bertha" better than ever. The now 4/32 Wurlitzer at the Alabama Theatre recently underwent a full week of tonal finishing. Our own Larry Davis performed the first concert following the tonal work, and what an incredible afternoon it was! "Ain't no foolin'" that "Birmingham Bertha" and the talents of David Gray and Mark Herman are going to blow the audience away during the Convention!

*Tim Stephens*

### *Thanks for the Donations*

Randy and Betty Anderson  
Ted Barnett  
Paul and Janis Beavin  
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John Delk  
Don and Susan Eckles  
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Maria Hutson - in honor of Tim Stephens  
Joe Mackrovitch  
Bob & Elsie McKoon  
Sherwood and Peggy Merchant  
Bucky Reddish  
James Thrower  
Tom Villiger

**Upcoming Meetings & Events** *(Mark your Calendars)*

- April 29, 2013, (Monday) 7:00 pm, "Monday Night Is Music Night", A show of pops and standards featuring John Clark McCall at the Allen 317 theatre organ with guest pianist Larry Davis. Maguire Center, Westminster Oaks, 4449 Meandering Way, Tallahassee, FL 32308; 7:00 pm, Free Admission. (850-878-1136)
- May 19, 2013, (Sunday) 2:30 pm, John McCall in Concert at the Forker Memorial Wurlitzer, Grace Baptist Church, 8000 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, FL 34241. Free Admission. (229-560-7540).

**Membership Renewals Due by March 1st**

Calendar-year 2013 dues of \$35 per household (Students \$17.50) are now due. Article VIII, Section 2 of our By-Laws states “Dues shall become payable on January 1st of each year and shall be paid within the first two months of the year.” Although not stated in the By-Laws, we have made it a practice to consider payments made during the last quarter of the preceding year to apply toward the following calendar year; therefore, if you paid during the last quarter of 2012, you are considered a member for 2013. Don’t wait — pay your 2013 dues now.

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