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Newsletter of the Central Indiana Chapter American Theatre Organ Society

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April 7th Social: Pitch-in!

Pitch-In at 1:00pm, Music at 2:00pm at the Home of Michael Fellenzer

6041 Garver Road, Indianapolis

CIC will provide a ham. What can you bring? Please let Michael know what you plan to bring,

317-251-6962 or michael@fellenzer.com.

If your last name begins with:

A - H, bring a pasta or starch

I - Q, bring a vegetable

R - Z, bring a dessert

Come enjoy the artistry of Nathan Wilcox at the Hammond Organ!

April's Artist Nathan Wilcox

Nathan Wilcox was influenced at a very early age by the organ, both musically and mechanically. His musical relatives, and various recordings of theatre organs and Hammonds, inspired him to play, while the intriguing mechanical nature of the instrument inspired him to learn how to maintain its playability. By age 12 he was taking formal organ lessons, and more often than not, was practicing on an instrument with exposed circuits and wiring. His musical inspirations stem from many genres, and he tends to play more by ear, particularly when he plays the guitar. He was also inspired by the Hammond organ, which he has studied in great detail and now performs technical service for customers all over the country. At the present time, Nathan is in charge of installing a 4-manual Compton theatre pipe organ in the residence of CIC member John Rust near Seymour, IN.

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CIC Offers Rare Player Hammond Organ for Sale

Price: $5,000 or best offer

Info: Mark Herman, 260-515-3569, mherman433@gmail.com

Built in 1938, this RARE AEOLIAN-HAMMOND PLAYER ORGAN, Serial Number 9113, in very good condition. The organ and its player system was refurbished in 2007 and performs well. It was also refinished at the same time. It is a beautiful show-piece and is the only known Hammond Organ to have this Art Deco case (leg and bench) style.Appx. 50 original rolls. The organ has been its original home, an Indianapolis mansion, for 74 years. Only about 200 of these organs are thought to be extant, with a small handful in good condition such as this one. Come see it!

The organ was donated to CIC-ATOS, so all proceeds benefit the organization.

The Aeolian-Hammond Organ that CIC is offering for sale.

Member Notes

Please make note of these address updates:

Bob Acker's new email: Wurlitzer260@tx.rr.com

Please welcome these new members:

Dustin and Charity Jablonski
(children Josiah, Mary, Nathan Solomon)
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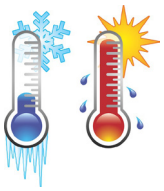
(Jerry has joined at the Donor level.)



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President's Message

By Tim Needler

We have a different social planned for CIC in April! The date is different, the FIRST Sunday of the month. The ARTIST is someone we've never heard before, CIC member Nathan Wilcox, who enjoys playing (and working on) the Hammond organ. Our event will be a pitch-in luncheon (main meat will be ham) at the home of Michael Fellenzer, where we have met before. And, while this is billed as a pitch-in, the ham will be provided by the chapter and will work for either sandwiches or a luncheon meal, whichever each of us prefers.

Michael asks that you phone (317-251-6962) and let him know what you're going to provide, but for those who are not very talented when it comes to cooking or who may not have time to prepare something, items like a package of buns, a loaf of bread, a bag of potato chips, a jar of pickles or the like will be just fine. And since we often end up with far more food than can be eaten, if bringing something would cause you to stay home or if you forget to call, please come ahead. I'm sure no one will go hungry, and certainly no one will be turned away.

Our thanks go to Mark Herman for his marvelous performance at Warren Performing Arts Center on March 3rd. We had a good turn-out of members and guests and other paying customers and were very fortunate that the water problems from the day before, when the orchestra lift pit filled with water and could have "sunk" the performance, were solved and remedied in time for the concert to go on as scheduled. The only "casualty" was that the organ console was stationary on the elevated lift and did not ascend or descend due to a water-soaked orchestra lift motor.

Our next concert with fine organist Brett Valliant is coming right up on June 9, also at WPAC. If anyone would like to pre-purchase tickets at a cost of $12 and save standing in line the day of the performance and paying $15, kindly give me a call anytime at 317-255-8056. I can take your credit card number over the phone and will then mail you your tickets.

Enclosed with this newsletter is the 2013 Roster of Members. If you receive it via e-mail, may I suggest that you save it to a file for future reference. Or you could print it out if that makes more sense for you. Those who receive CIPHERS via the US Postal System will have their enclosed roster already printed, of course. Additional copies are available and will be sent to new members as they join CIC.

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Sunday, April 14th at 2:30pm
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2013 Event Calendar

April 7, 2013 | Pitch-in 1:00pm, Program 2:00pm
CIC SOCIAL: Nathan Wilcox, Hammond Organ
Home of Michael Fellenzer, Indianapolis

April 14, 2013 | 2:30pm
Concert: Mark Herman & Anthony Snitker
Long Center, Lafayette

April 14, 2013 | 2:00pm
SILENT FILM: Steven Ball | *Safety Last*
Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne

May 12, 2013 | 2:00pm
CONCERT: Jelani Eddington
Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne

June 9, 2013 | 2:30pm
CIC CONCERT: Brett Valliant
Warren Performing Arts Center, Indianapolis

For the Brett Valliant show, to purchase tickets in advance ($12 instead of $15 at the door), contact Tim Needler at 317-255-8056 anytime to order with a VISA or MasterCard; or mail him a check made payable to CIC-ATOS for the number of advance sale tickets you would like, and he will mail your tickets to you or hold them at the box office.