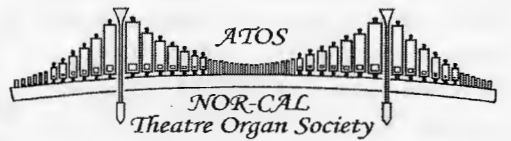


# The WINDSHEET



Newsletter of the NOR-CAL THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY  
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 January 2004

## Robert Reichert

### Saturday, 24 January — 1 PM

### Bella Roma Restaurant — 3/16 Wurlitzer

### Come at Noon and buy your lunch



Our first member concert of the New Year will be at the Bella Roma Restaurant in Martinez where we will be entertained by Bob Reichert and then enjoy Open Console so that you who have the enthusiasm can entertain us as well.

Reichert has played theatre pipes in the area for some time and offered this as introduction:

He was born in North Tonowanda,

New York. His mother worked in the diaphone division of the Wurlitzer factory, with his father laboring beside her for years. In college Robert found his heart beating for organ music, and studied under Tommy Thompson and Larry Vannucci.

He is currently working on a recording project on his own Wurlitzer, a modified Publix with

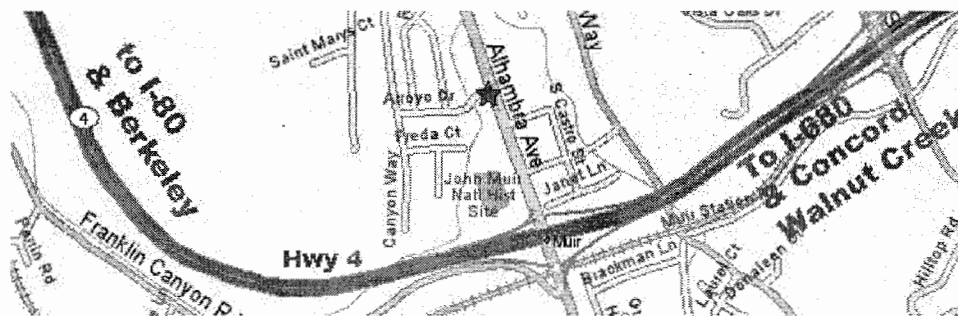
heritage pipework, and he can be found playing at the Bella Roma Restaurant and the Grand Lake Theatre.

The Bella Roma is at 4040 Alhambra Ave. in Martinez. Let's support the Bella Roma by arriving for lunch at noon

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**Directions:** Take either Interstate 80 or 680 toward Sacramento and exit at State Highway 4. If you're exiting from 80 head east, from 680 head west. In either case exit at Alhambra Avenue and head North a couple of blocks where you will pass the John Muir site and a Post Office. The Bella Roma is just past these on your left.



## ANNUAL MEETING HELD

Nor-Cal members and guests enjoyed a fine concert on December 7<sup>th</sup> with Dean Cook at the console of the Berkeley Community Theatre, Nor-Cal owned Wurlitzer.

Afterwards, the club members who came to hear the concert moved to seats at the front of the theatre for a brief Annual Meeting. The Board members and officers of the current Board provided a brief overview of the year's activities, including a summary of the profitable ATOS National convention that Nor-Cal hosted in July, and a summary of changes in Board membership resulting from term expirations and the current election. Those who stayed for the meeting constituted (barely) a quorum of members. This allowed the Annual Meeting of the members to be held (legally required for our non-profit tax status). Chairman Chris Nichols expressed concerned about the sparse attendance, which was considerably down from previous years. He distributed a questionnaire among those attending asking what the members thought would

increase attendance at the meeting. Nichols also asked that the opportunity to respond be extended to all members.

*The Board is requesting your response, giving your ideas on what you feel would make it more likely that you, and others, would attend the Annual Meeting. Please think about it, and contribute your ideas to Chairman Don Siefert, phone: 209-833-6360 or email: <dsiefert@sbcglobal.net>*

The Board would especially like to hear from those who have attended previous Annual Meetings: What circumstances discouraged you from attending this year's meeting and banquet?

After the formal meeting was adjourned, those who had purchased dinner tickets went up on to the stage for the catered dinner.

## NEW MEMBER

We welcome **Dean Cook** from San Jose as a member of Nor-Cal TOS.

## NEW DONATIONS

Jim and Marie Parker, Santa Rosa; Bill Schlotter, Oakland Thank you for your recent tax-deductible donation to the maintenance and preservation of Nor-Cal's Wurlitzers.

## CLOSING CHORD

Ron Musselman of Fresno, who hosted for more than a quarter century the local radio program 'Pipe Organ Showtime' and who contributed in many other ways to the Theatre Organ world died suddenly and unexpectedly in late December. Many in our chapter who knew him have expressed their condolences to his wife Karen. Ron's efforts included writing for the *Theatre Organ Journal*, reviewing recordings, and describing the events of our national conventions, as he did for our convention last July.



## FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Feb 10 - Art & Evelyn Woodworth  
April 13 - Neil Wood  
June 8 - Don Siefert  
Aug 10 - TBA  
October 12 - TBA  
November 16 - TBA  
Dec 5 - tentative - This would be the Annual Meeting at Berkeley

## EDITOR'S NOTES

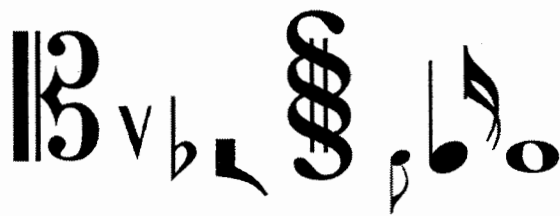
**W**indsheet Deadline: is February 2. I'm looking for material to share with Nor-Cal members.

**Y**ou observe that there is a lot of 'white space' in this issue and that the typesize is larger than necessary. Please help me fill future issues.

I can be reached: by email [bshiple1@atmc.net](mailto:bshiple1@atmc.net), by phone (650) 968-3290, or by US mail 1734-9 W. El Camino, Mountain View 94040

Also, please thank Frank La Fetra for publishing (typesetting, printing, and mailing) the Windsheet.

*Bob*



## Wurlitzer Weekend V *if the mail performs there is still time to go*

Admission to all events except Old Town Music Hall — \$99  
Transportation is on your own

**Friday, 16 January**  
8 PM, Orpheum Th., 3/13 Wurlitzer  
**CHRIS ELLIOTT**

**Saturday, 17 January**  
8:30 AM El Capitan Th., 4/37 Wurlitzer  
**Artist — Tony Fenelon**  
2 PM, Nethercutt's, 4/72 Wurlitzer

**JONAS NORDWALL**  
8 PM, San Gabriel Civic, 3/17 Wurl.  
**DAVID WICKERHAM**

**Sunday, 18 January**  
9:30 AM, Bay Th., 4/54 Wurlitzer  
**TOM HAZLETON**  
2:30 PM, Plummer Aud., 4/37 Wurlitzer  
**DAN BELLOMY & friends**

**\$20 added cost option**  
7 PM, Old Town Music Hall,  
4/26 Wurlitzer  
**RON RHODE**

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## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### Nor-Cal TOS Events

**Berkeley Public Concerts**  
Jelani Eddington - Feb 22  
Chris Gorsuch - Mar 14  
Walter Strony - May 9  
**Morton Madness** - Jonas Nordwall - Apr 17

### Other Chapter's Events

**L.A. Wurlitzer Weekend**  
<[www.latos.org](http://www.latos.org)>-Jan 16-18  
see more detail to the left  
**'Meet Me in Saint Louis'**  
weekend <[www.slto.org](http://www.slto.org)> - March 19-22

**'Fabulous Fox Weekend'** - an ATOS Regional convention in Atlanta May 28-30  
**ATOS Convention in Milwaukee**, July 1-7 (dates include pre-glow and after-glow) <[www.atos.org](http://www.atos.org)>

### OTHER VENUES

**Arlington Theatre**, 4/27 Robert-Morton, 1317 State St., Santa Barbara, CA, (805)692-0939

**Bay Theatre** /55 Wurlitzer, Pacific Coast Hwy. and Main St., Seal Beach, CA, 5, (562)431-9988.  
<[www.baytheatre.com](http://www.baytheatre.com)>

**Castro Theatre**, 429 Castro, SF, CA. 4/22 Wurlitzer, Intermission music played daily by **David Hegarty** or **Warren Lubich**. (415)621-6120  
<[www.castrotheatre.com](http://www.castrotheatre.com)>

**El Capitan Theatre**, 4/37 Wurlitzer 6338 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, CA  
**Rob Richards, John Ledwon & Ed Vodicka** play preview music 30 minutes prior to film.  
(800)DISNEY6 [800-347-6396]  
<[www.elcapitantickets.com](http://www.elcapitantickets.com)>

**Grand Lake Theatre**, 3/18 Wurlitzer, 3200 Grand Ave., Oakland.  
Intermission music: **Warren Lubich** (Fridays) & **Kevin King** (Saturdays) (510)452-3556

<[www.renaissancerialto.com](http://www.renaissancerialto.com)>

**Nethercutt Collection**, 15200 Bledsoe St., Sylmar, CA 91342, 4/74 Wurlitzer. Concerts are free, but reservations are required (818)367-2251.

<[www.nethercuttcollection.org](http://www.nethercuttcollection.org)>

**Old Town Music Hall**, 4/26

Wurlitzer. weekends. Check website

<[www.otmh.org](http://www.otmh.org)>

for details and events. (310)322-2592

**Paramount Theatre**, 4/26 Wurlitzer, 2025 Broadway, Oakland. Public tours on first and third Saturdays of month at 10 AM. (510)465-6400

<[www.paramounttheatre.com](http://www.paramounttheatre.com)>

**Towe Auto Museum**, 3/15 Wurlitzer, 2200 Front St., Sacramento, CA. Free Sunday concerts with Museum Admission (exception, Sierra Chapter concerts).

<[www.sierrachapterATOS.org](http://www.sierrachapterATOS.org)>

## BAY AREA GOURMET MEALS

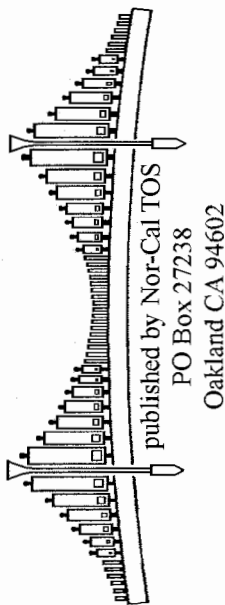
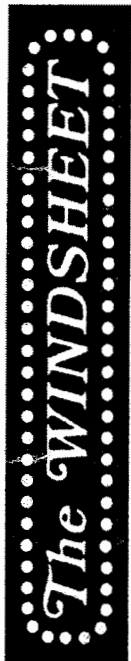
(Piping Hot Meals)

**Angelino's Restaurant**, 3/13 Wurlitzer, 3132 Williams Rd., San Jose. Silent film, '**Grandma's Boy**', 4 PM, 25 January.

**Dean Cook**, Thursday through Sunday – 6:30 to 10:00 PM

More info: (408)243-6095

**Bella Roma Pizza**, 3/16 Wurlitzer, 4040 Alhambra Ave., Martinez, CA. **Dave Moreno**, Tue., Wed, Sat.; **Bob Reichert**, Thu. & Fri.; **Kevin King**, Sun. (925)228-4935



## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### NOR-CAL THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY, Inc.

*A Chapter of the American Theatre Organ Society*



ATOS is dedicated to promoting the tradition of the theatre pipe organ and public understanding and appreciation of the instrument and its music, and shall aid in any way possible the preservation of theatre organs through rehabilitation of instruments and fostering the arts of playing, building, voicing and maintenance. If you would like to join us, please write or call:

**Mr. John O'Neill at (510) 632-9177, PO Box 27238, Oakland, California 94602-0438.**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues are \$40 National ATOS and \$20 Nor-Cal (\$60 total) per year. Spouse and children living at home may be included in your membership. We hope you will join us to help preserve and enjoy these great instruments.