

**UPDATE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY
WURLITZER OPUS 2070**

Greetings to all the management and board of directors.

I am pleased to report to you that the Lowell Ayars Wurlitzer project is ahead of schedule!

Here are several points of information on the project to bring all of you up to date:

1. A whole weekend of activities has been planned for the organ's dedication on the weekend of June 25, 2010:
 - a. Formal organ dedication concert featuring Jim Riggs on Friday June 25 at 8pm
 - b. Grand Court Organ Day on June 26 with the normal 2:30 pm pops concert being replaced with the Silent Film "Wings" accompanied by Steven Ball on the Wurlitzer.
 - c. Grand Celebration dinner for 180 people in Greek Hall with Jim Riggs and Steven Ball at the Wurlitzer after Grand Court Organ Day.

Project Update:

1. All installation work for the entire organ is complete and winding has just been finished.
2. Console has air on it and functions perfectly.
3. The new bench and Wurlitzer junk drawer are finished and will be here on 1-29-10
4. Pipe work will be on the chests by the end of March giving us plenty of time for tonal finishing.

5. A donor has given us a complete dimming system for the lighting of Greek Hall.
6. Macy's has agreed to clean and touch up the ceiling and refinish the floors of Greek Hall.
7. We have discovered that the ceiling beams of Greek Hall are studded with outline lighting and this will be restored before the Grand Opening of the Wurlitzer.
8. Greek Hall will also have a state of the art sound and video system by opening.

In conclusion I would like to congratulate all involved in this project. A.T.O.S., Macy's, and the Friends of the Wanamaker Organ have much to be proud of. In keeping with the remarkable tradition of music at the Wanamaker building you have combined resources and talent and returned a pipe organ of note back to Greek Hall and furthered our shared dream of enjoyment and enlightenment for generations to come!

Warmest Regards,

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