

# Old Dominion

## Notes

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### Events

**April 23, 2016**  
**2:00 PM**

**ODTOS Meeting and Concert**  
The Hardman Studio  
Great Falls, VA

**Artist**  
**Dave Wickerham**

**June 11, 2016**  
**2:00 PM**

**Joint ODTOS Meeting, FSTOS, Metrolina**  
**Byrd Theatre**

Meeting  
Open Console  
**July 3 - 8, 2016**

**ATOS Convention**  
Cleveland, OH

Visit the  
[ATOS Convention](#)  
web site for information

**October 9, 2016**  
**3:00 PM**

**ODTOS Meeting and Concert**  
Home of a  
Fairfax Member

**Artist**  
*To Be Announced*  
**Saturdays**

**Bob Gulledge**  
**Byrd Theatre**

Concert before the evening movies  
Visit the [Byrd web site](#)

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### February 20, 2016 Meeting

The first ODTOS meeting of 2016 was held at the home of Jim and Lynda Reinhart on February 20, 2016. Eight members and one guest attended.

After a short business meeting, Jim provided a demonstration of his Allen T321Q Theatre/ Classic organ. [Click here](#) to see videos of the meeting and demonstration.



**Jim Reinhart, Ron Stonehouse, Bob Gulledge**

Photo by Charles Hague

### Closing Chord - Dick Barlow



Richard (Dick) W. Barlow, jeweler, theatre organ technician, and World War II Marine veteran, passed away on January 30, 2016, in Richmond, Virginia at the age of 89.

Dick learned watch repair as a young man and became a master watchmaker. He started his own business, Barlow Jewelers, in Kilmarnock, Virginia. In 1958, he moved the business to Richmond's Broad Street and soon became the official railroad watch inspector for the Richmond, Fredericksburg, and Potomac Railroad. In 1960, he moved Barlow Jewelers to West Cary Street where it remained until his retirement.

### Closing Chord - Dick Barlow (cont)

He became interested in theatre organs in 1958 when he met Harold Warner, Jr. Harold saved the Altria (formerly the Mosque) Theatre organ in the early 1950's. Dick often said that when Harold played and then showed him the inner workings of the theatre pipe organ, he was hooked! Dick met Tommy Landrum, a coworker of Harold's at the C & P Telephone Company, and the two became best friends.

When Harold Warner passed away in February 1961, Dick and Tommy took on the job of maintaining the three remaining Wurlitzer theatre pipe organs in Richmond, at the Byrd, Mosque (now Altria), and Loew's (now Carpenter) theatres. For nearly 30 years, Dick and Tommy spent uncounted hours fixing, tuning, and maintaining these instruments. Though they never received any monetary compensation, their rewards were hearing the beautiful sounds of the organs and knowing that their efforts kept the music playing.

Dick joined the Richmond Organ Enthusiasts Club in 1958 and was a long-time member of ATOS. His meticulous work ethic and the quality of his work inspired many others.

Dick's wife of 62 years, Betty, passed away in August 2015. He is survived by two children, two grandchildren, and two sisters-in-law.



**Dick Barlow (left) and Tommy Landrum**  
**Byrd Theatre Console**

Photo by Ray Brubacher

### Welcome New Members

Doug Osborn

### ODTOS Officers

#### President

*Charles Hague*

#### Vice-President

*Bob Gulledge*

#### Secretary

*David Hipkins*

#### Treasurer

*Wendy Wurlitzer*

Terms expire 12/31/16

### Treasurer's Report

Balance 1/16/16:	\$1,462.67
Dues Received	0.00
Contributions	+100.00
Expenses (2015):	
SCC Annual Filing	-25.00
PayPal Fees	-4.03

Balance 3/18/16: **\$1,562.64**

### ODTOS Board Meeting Minutes

Your Board of Directors meets monthly. Visit the ODTOS [Members' Library](#) web page to read Board meeting minutes.

### Moller Keyboards

Two manuals, ivory keys.  
Free to good home.

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