



L.I.F.E. Style

January 2013

Kimball Pipes

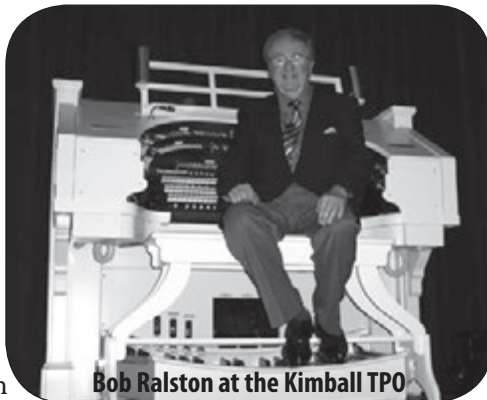
The Michiana Music For L.I.F.E. Chapter, sponsored by Shirks Piano and Organ of Mishawaka, IN, recently attended a fabulous organ concert featuring famed artist Bob Ralston. Mr. Ralston was the first major artist to perform on the newly restored 1924 Kimball theatre pipe organ re-installed at the Lerner Theatre in Elkhart, IN.



The Michiana Music For L.I.F.E. Chapter at the Lerner Theatre. Bob Ralston in the center (wearing a neck tie)

A crew of 20 from the Bunn-Minnick Pipe Organ Company of Columbus, OH spent three weeks hoisting and installing equipment, including filling the two pipe chambers with more than 1,000 rebuilt pipes and apparatus. The entire project consumed nearly 10,000 work hours for the crew over the course of a year. Decried by Minnick as the 'Crown Jewel' of the old theatre, the project rescued one of only three organs of this Kimball type that reside in their original theatre in the U.S.

Mr. Ralston performed a flawless concert interjected with many humorous stories from his career playing with the Lawrence Welk Orchestra and his collaboration with other entertainers.



Bob Ralston at the Kimball TPO

Not only were those in attendance wowed by the magnificent sound of the fully restored pipe organ, but also by Mr. Ralston's mastery of the instrument. For more information about the restoration of the Lerner Theatre visit the web site www.thelerner.com.

Nebraska L.I.F.E Supports HFOT

The Music with LIFE Chapter, sponsored by Critchett's Lowrey Organ Center of Lincoln, Nebraska held a fund raiser in support of *Homes for Our Troops*.

Chapter members brought in various items such as: used Easy Play music books, new floppy disks, CD's, sheet music, and home-made candy; raising a total of \$500!



The proceeds will be sent to Homes for Our Troops headquarters and used to help build more homes for our Wounded Warriors.



Every patriotic and freedom-loving American joins in thanking our soldiers for the sacrifices they make to keep our flag waving—and to preserve the way of life we cherish. Thank you for your sacrifices on our behalf!

Marching Ants

by: Bil Curry



Ants . . . We don't want them around. But all God's creatures have a purpose and in this song they make you smile (especially the "little one"). So here's "When Johnny Comes Marching Home" with the lyrics for "The Ants Go Marching One by One". Use the 6 / 8 March style at Tempo 100 +/-, Intro 1, and Rhythm Preset (Style Setup) zero or 5. Substitute the following words for verses 2 ~ 10 where the lyrics are underlined in the music:

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| 2. Two by two | tie his shoe |
| 3. Three by three | climb a tree |
| 4. Four by four | shut the door |
| 5. Five by five | take a dive |
| 6. Six by six | pick up sticks |
| 7. Seven by seven | pray to heaven |
| 8. Eight by eight | shut the gate |
| 9. Nine by nine | check the time |
| 10. Ten by ten | say "The End!" |

Happy New Year - Keep those ants outside!

OKC Loves LIFE

They may be a small group of Music Lovers residing in Oklahoma City but they are never small on being enthusiastic with their Lowrey Virtual Orchestras.

L to R:

Paula Smith,
Marjory Davis,
Larry Jantz,
Heinz Blossfeld,
Marilyn Lassiter,
& Bill Nolan



Meeting monthly the group enjoys sharing sessions of "Friends playing for Friends." Although they are without a sponsor/dealer they are undeterred from having fun with music within their circle of friends. The most recent gathering combined the playing of Christmas Carols with their annual Christmas party.

Margaret Blossfeld plays the Imperial



The music making friends resolve to be happy and fill the new year with music, with the continued support of Romeo Music located in Dallas, TX. They wish all the LIFE Groups a Happy New Year and offer a motto worth renumbering:

"Without music, Life would B♭"

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The Ants Go Marching One by One

(When Johnny Comes Marching Home)

Patrick Gilmore

The ants go march - ing one by one hur - rah_____ hur -

rah!_____ The ants go march - ing one by one hur - rah_____ hur -

rah!_____ The_____ ants go march - ing one by one. The

lit - tle one stops to suck his thumb And they all go

march - ing down to the ground To get out of the

rain, Boom! Boom! Boom! The Boom! Boom! Boom!

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