

## GARDEN SPOT VILLAGE INVITES PUBLIC TO ENJOY CLASSIC SILENT FILM

*Organist Wayne Zimmerman to accompany Phantom of the Opera on Sat., Nov. 12*

**NEW HOLLAND, Pa. — Oct. 24, 2011** — Garden Spot Village invites the public to enjoy the 1925 silent classic *The Phantom of the Opera* accompanied by live organ music. Renowned theater organist Wayne Zimmerman, of West Chester, will accompany the film on the community's Rodgers church organ.

"This is the way silent films were meant to be experienced—with a talented musical accompanist," said Colleen Musselman, director of life enrichment at Garden Spot Village. "We hope our neighbors will join us for an evening of classic entertainment."

Zimmerman began playing piano and organ as a child, and played theater pipe organ at several theaters in and around Philadelphia through the 1960s and '70s. He has performed on electronic and pipe organs from coast to coast and in Hawaii, and has performed twice on the famed Wanamaker pipe organ in Philadelphia. He is well known throughout the mid-Atlantic for accompanying silent movies.

*The Phantom of the Opera* stars Lon Chaney as Erik, The Phantom, a mysterious masked man who lives in the catacombs, and Mary Philbin as the ingénue Christine Daae. Chaney, known as the Man of 1,000 Faces, did his own make-up. Filmed at Universal Studios in Hollywood, *The Phantom of the Opera* features elaborate sets designed by Ben Carré, who had worked at the Paris Opera House. In 1998, the Library of Congress selected *The Phantom of the Opera* for preservation in the National Film Registry as being "culturally, historically or aesthetically significant."

The movie will be screened on Sat., Nov. 12, beginning at 7 p.m. in the chapel at Garden Spot Village, 433 S. Kinzer Ave., New Holland. Admission is free. Donations to the Garden Spot Village Benevolent Fund will be accepted at the door. For more information, call 717-355-6000.



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