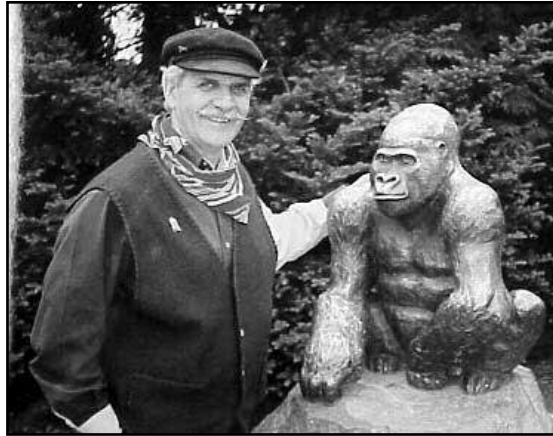


### Meet Your Member

Angelo Rulli heard his first antique music box at the now defunct Stagecoach Restaurant, near Minneapolis, MN, in 1970. There resided one of the nation's early and huge collections of mechanical music. Later that year he purchased an LP recording of antique music boxes. In 1974 he began collecting antique music boxes and amassed a wide variety of styles and models. In 1984 he went to an organ rally in Pittsburgh, PA, and there met Ron Bopp who was cranking a Pell street organ. The same weekend, Angelo called over to England and ordered his first crank organ.



Angelo Rulli enjoying a light moment between organ grinds.

lead to a stint with a traveling one-ring circus as the organ grinder.

Over the years Angelo has appeared as an organ grinder at hundreds of events in the Minnesota area and beyond. He's had the privilege of speaking before groups, large and small around the USA, and enjoyed countless hours of cranking at rallies from coast to coast.

At that time he was a former probation officer and was a manager in the local corrections department. In 1972 he volunteered to edit the magazines for the MBSI and when he left corrections in 1987 he became the first paid editor for the group. In 1986 he appeared on "A Prairie Home Companion" which

Currently he is enjoying a last successful career in real estate and appears now and then with the guy who got it all started in crank organs, the illustrious editor of this publication.

It's not often that one gets to turn a hobby into a career, and then an avocation, and now a hobby again. It's been a wonderful ride and the good people he's met along the way have made it all more than worthwhile. As he so often says . . . "God does not deduct from one's allotted time the hours spent cranking organs."



### COAA Web Site

Check out [www.carouselorganassociation.org](http://www.carouselorganassociation.org) for the latest information about rallies, membership and COAA items for sale. Vice-president Larry Kern has taken over responsibility for the page and has done an outstanding job. This is a good site to refer your friends who are considering membership in the COAA.

<b>2004 Organ Rally Dates</b>			
<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact Person</u>	<u>Date</u>
Mid-Am Rally	County Fairgrounds Medina, Ohio	Ed & Carol Kraus 330-239-1794	July 9-10, 2004
COAA Rally #3*	DeBence Antique Music World Franklin, Pennsylvania	Lynn Zilmer 814-432-8350	July 16 - 18, 2004
COAA Rally #4	Crossroads Village Flint, Michigan	Carl & Sharon Curtis 734-428-0159	July 24-25, 2004
COAA Rally #5	Sugarcreek, Ohio	Ed & Carol Ditto 330-343-7697	August 20-21, 2004
*New date for this rally!			