



# Pipes Along the Rockies

Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain Chapter  
American Theatre Organ Society, Inc.

December, 2005

Information Line: 303-466-3330

**Be “up beat”, not a “dead beat”!**

## Dues are Due!

Annual dues of \$15 per household, January to December, are now due for year 2006.

Save 37 (or maybe 39) cents by paying, in person, at the December social at Holiday Hills, or....

Send a check for \$15 payable to RMCATOS to:

**Joann Collins**

**7160 W. Stetson Place - #26**

**Littleton, CO 80123**

Prompt payment makes life easier for all us.

Thanks.

## December Club Social

## Christmas Gathering

**Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm**

**Holiday Hills Ballroom**

Our “members only” Christmas Social will be held on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, at 2 pm in the Holiday Hills Ballroom. If you plan to attend, call either Doris Beverly at **303-466-3330** or Joann Collins at **303-933-7412**.

The event will be pot luck, with the club providing ham, turkey, drinks, plates, silverware and napkins. Members will provide salads, main dishes, relish trays or dessert. We need to know how many are coming so that we have the right amount of food.

Each person attending is asked to bring a wrapped White Elephant item to be exchanged during our ever-popular bingo game. A Christmas sing-along will close the event. Last year’s party was enjoyed by all. This year’s promises to be even better!

## Start Practicing

## Everyone’s A Musician

**Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm**

**Holiday Hills Ballroom**

All during the year we watch and listen to others perform and once a year **everyone** gets to perform. In addition to the opportunity to hear and see individual performances by some of our more “timid” members, several “everyone participates” activities are being planned.

Perform anything musical. Play at least 8 measures of a single song. Those are the only rules.

Performers are limited to those who did not perform last year or those that did perform last year but on a different instrument.

To sign up to perform and/or arrange for rehearsal time on “George” or “Victor” call Lee Shaw:

**303-530-2421** or **dpsys.west@comcast.net**

## You requested it.....



If you saw him at the Bob Ralston concert, you’ll want to see and hear him again. If you haven’t seen and heard this 25-year-old play the piano, don’t miss this opportunity!

Thomas will be performing a program of primarily piano compositions including classics, semi-classics, show tunes, motion picture themes and songs from the pop charts. He will improvise on tunes sug-

gested by the audience. He will also play piano / organ duets with members of the club!

Ever wonder how to play the piano upside-down (like Mozart did)? Thomas will demonstrate!

Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> and Monday February 13<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Hills Ballroom. 2 pm each day. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students.

Both concerts are RTD Senior Ride events.

*Don't like driving to Holiday Hills?*

## Take the Bus!

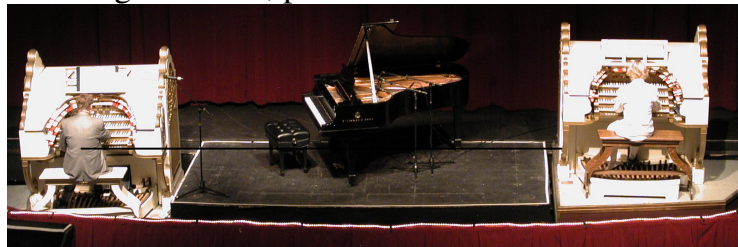
Both of the Thomas Alexander performances are RTD Senior Ride events. That means if you sign up with one of the Senior Ride groups, you can get door-to-door transportation from that group's location to Holiday Hills and back. For those 65 or older the round trip fare in the metro area is now \$1.50. For all others, \$3.00 round trip. A person of any age can take the Senior Ride.

**Senior Ride RTD reservations must be made by Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>!**

*Great music at the Paramount.....*

## Bob Ralston & Thomas Alexander

Crowds at the Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> and Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> Bob Ralston concerts at the Paramount were just about equal in size and absolutely identical in their praise of the music provided by Bob Ralston and his guest artist, pianist Thomas Alexander.



Those in attendance had the opportunity to see and hear both Wurlitzer consoles being played and thanks to the camera crew from Channel 3 in Longmont, everyone got a close-up view of faces, fingers and feet as they watched live video projected on the big screen above and behind the performers.

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Bob was at his best and the piano and organ duets with Thomas were show stoppers! Thomas brought the crowd to its feet with La Campanella by Liszt.

### **A DVD of the concert is available:**

If you want to re-live the concert, or see it for the first time because you were unable to attend, there is a special DVD offer for members only.

A copy of the concert DVD shown on Longmont Channel 3 TV is available. Order a copy for pick-up at a club social for \$15 or pay \$17 and a copy will be mailed to you.

The DVD sale is a fund raiser for the club (still recovering from the May Spring blizzard concert disaster). The CD does not have fancy covers, but the contents are "wunerful, wunerful"!

For information on ordering your copy of the DVD, see the **Recordings** article later in this newsletter.

*A sampling of heaven perhaps?*

## Got Gospel? Got Great!

What fun and what fantastic music resounded off the walls of the Holiday Hills Ballroom on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> for **Got Gospel?** We were treated to vocalists, instrumentalists, keyboard artists and community hymn singing. Everyone Got Gospel!



Our thanks to Kathy Brayton, Bev Bucci, Jim Calm, Bob Castle, Micah Cohoon (10 yrs old), Lee Morris, Frank Perko, George Sawaya, Irene Schaffer and Lee Traster for the super performances. **Got Gospel?** will most likely now become an annual event.

A two-CD set of the afternoon, recorded and edited by member John Shields, is available to members only for \$5 if picked up at a social, or \$7 if mailed.

See the **Recordings** article in this newsletter for additional details on getting copies of club-produced DVDs and CDs for members only.

## Thank you, Thank you, Thank you

Throughout the year there have been many volunteers who have helped make the chapter function successfully. Listing names is dangerous. Hopefully, most of them are recognized below (in no particular sequence), any omissions are unintentional.

For taking care of the refreshments: Carol & Richard Robinson, Kathy Brayton; for furnishing refreshments, Jud Murphy, Elsie Johnson, Kathy Brayton.

For calling members prior to each event: Carl Hoff and Vera Jones.

For photographic support: Bill Kwinn

For help maintaining the Paramount Wurlitzer: Bob Castle, Don Wick, David Charles, Jud Murphy, Ryan Kroll. Micah Bisson.

For doing publicity for RTD and other groups, producing colored flyers and printing lots of photos: Richard Brooks.

For helping do the newsletters and other mailings: Russ and Carol Carleton, Doris and George Beverly, Doloris O'Neil and Joe Conway, Sam and Phyllis Wahlfeldt, Dot Tayson, Paul Holtz.

For taking care of ticket sales: Doris Beverly

For taking care of CD sales: Owanah Wick

For keeping the financial records under control: Jack and Joann Collins.

For getting our club news into the national ATOS magazine and helping other places, Priscilla Arthur.

For providing Bronco scores at public events and for ushering at the Paramount and never getting his name in the program: Paul Holtz

For meeting the RTD busses and helping multiple other places, Sue Loomis

For organizing the Pizza servers at Holiday Hills and the lobby crew at the Paramount: Lois Cady and to her crew listed in the programs, but not here.

For coordinating the RTD busses from Holiday Hills: Sally Peterson

For providing great entertainment whenever asked: Bev Bucci, Jim Calm, Bob Castle, Doc Fergy, Frank Perko, DeLoy Goeglein, Lee Traster, Kevin Utter.

For recording and producing CD's: John Shields

For using his video equipment: Corky Carlson

For use of their PA system, organ and hymnals: Holiday Hills Community Church.

For helping with cleanup: Everybody.

## In Memoriam

We have learned of the death of the following members and friends of our chapter:

Charlea Lillie, Colorado Springs, wife of Bob.

George Dussart, Arvada, husband of Kathy,  
son-in-law of Eve Hartwell

Lennie Young, Estes Park, wife of Ray.

Nancy Walden, wife of Jack.

## Recordings

Several club events have been video taped or recorded and are available to members only.

*Hot Pipes, Hot Tomatoes*, DVD - \$15

*Cool, Calm & Collectible*, DVD - \$15

*Bob Ralston Concert*, DVD - \$15

*Got Gospel?*, 2-CD set - \$5

Prices are for pick-up at a club function. For mail delivery, add \$2. To place an order for pick-up or mail, call Joann Collins: **303-933-7412**

## Welcome New Members:

James Artzberger, Aurora

Larry & Norma Barber, Lakewood

Barbara Burget, Golden

Tom & Camille Butler, Westminster

Tanya Cleaver, Centennial

Virginia Dow, Lakewood

Paul & Evonne Johnson, Denver

Marvin & Sandy Miller, Arvada

Maurice & JoAnne Nelson, Highlands Ranch

John & Alice Randle, Northglenn

Donald & Nancy Bullock, Thornton

Evelyn Yuck & Bonnie Cizek, Thornton

John & Shirley Kusters, Broomfield

Barbara Marine, Golden

John Shields, Denver

Alice Spengler, Denver

Lyle & Nona Troutman, Northglenn

Beverly Whyatt, Denver

## RMCATOS Officers for 2005

President: **Jim Burt** (970) 385-9490

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Secretary: **Priscilla Arthur** (303) 671-8333

Treasurer: **Joann Collins** (303) 933-7412

Tickets: **Doris Beverly** (303) 466-3330

If you have any questions, any ideas for programs, suggestions for club activities, or want to attend a RMCATOS Board of Director's Meeting, please feel free to contact any of the officers.

## **RMCATOS Events Calendar**

- Dec 4<sup>th</sup>** – (Sun) – **Annual Christmas Social**  
Holiday Hills Ballroom – 2 pm  
No charge, members only
- Jan 15<sup>th</sup>** – (Sun) – **Everyone's A Musician**  
Holiday Hills Ballroom – 2 pm  
No charge, everyone invited
- Feb 12<sup>th</sup>** – (Sun) – **Thomas Alexander**  
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- Mar 12<sup>th</sup>** – (Sun) – **Bob's Castle**  
(Pending Paramount Availability)  
Bob Castle "at home" at the Paramount  
No charge, Members only
- Apr 22<sup>nd</sup>** – (Sat) – **Doors Open Denver**  
Paramount Theatre – 10 am to 4 pm  
Six hours of non-stop Wurlitzer  
No charge, open to the public
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**[www.RMCATOS.ORG](http://www.RMCATOS.ORG)**



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Gospel?  
In  
Review**

