



Pipes along the Rockies

*Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain Chapter
American Theatre Organ Society, Inc.
December, 2012*

Information Line: 303-466-3330

December Club Social

Christmas Gathering

Sunday, December 2nd, 2 pm

Holiday Hills Ballroom

Our "members only" Christmas Social will be held on Sunday, December 2nd, in the Holiday Hills Ballroom. If you plan to attend and have not already signed up, please call, by November 30th.

Rick Knoll at **303-237-6486** or
Doris Beverly at **303-466-3330**.

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, vegetables or dessert. When you call with your reservations, let Rick or Doris know what you plan to bring..... that will help us make sure that everyone doesn't bring broccoli or cheese cake!

There will be **no** "White Elephant" exchange this year, so your elephants will have to stay at home.

Christmas music will be played, on a casual basis, throughout the afternoon and the event will close with our traditional Christmas sing-a-long.

Prepare for a battle!

Dueling Organs

Sunday, January 13th, 2 pm

Holiday Hills Ballroom

Members, No Charge: All others \$5

Jim Calm and **DeLoy Goeglein** will bring multiple touring organs and will battle it out in a real-time afternoon performance of "Dueling Organs".

Lois Cady, our nurse in residence, will be on hand with first aid supplies just incase any chords get diminished or minor skirmishes resolve into major accidentals!

Light refreshments will be served.

Same low annual fee!

Dues are Due!

Annual dues of \$15 per household, January to December, are now due for year 2013.

Save 45 cents by paying, in person, at the December social at Holiday Hills, or....

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

Richard Brooks
1301 Dahlia St.
Denver, CO 80220

Prompt payment is appreciated. Thanks.

A fun time at Holiday Hills **Dancing Without the Stars**

Sunday, October 14th, a crowd of around 125 donned their dancing shoes for a musical workout at the Holiday Hills Ballroom.



Toes were tapping and dancers were spinning as **Bev Bucci's** band of merry musicmakers helped us cut a rug at our October club social. The Bev Bucci Dance Band includes **Don Rea** on drums, **Lee Traster** on piano, Bev's son Jerry on bass guitar, Roger Topliff on clarinet & saxophone and the multi-talented Bev playing the theatre organ.

Organ & Piano Duets

Hymns & Hits

Maybe it was the cold, wet weather.... Maybe the Broncos game, but there were only 85 members and guests at the Holiday Hills Ballroom on Sunday, November 11th, to enjoy a delightful program of organ and piano duets featuring hymns and hits.



Organists/pianists for the afternoon (who rotated between the two instruments) were **Bev Bucci** and **Bob Flinn**. The hymns played during the first half of the program brought back past memories and emotionally touched many of those in attendance.



After a break, and great cookies home baked by Bob's wife **Judy**, Bev & Bob tackled some old time favorites that were hits in their day. It was truly a program filled with nostalgia!

Welcome New Members

Judy Baird & Rita Hammes, Westminster
Bonnie McCall, Lakewood
Don Rea, Aurora
Roy & Sara Stockwell, Littleton

To all our volunteers.....

Time to say Thanks

RMCATOS is closing out another successful year. This would not be possible without members volunteering to handle some of the many support tasks needed to keep the club operational.

We apologize if we've failed to list someone.

Rick Knoll has been doing the program planning this year in addition to taking care of refreshment responsibilities.

Assisting at the "administrative table" at our Holiday Hills and Paramount events one sees: **Rich Brooks, Doris Beverly, Carole Ann Ball, Kathy Brayton** and **Mary Hemmerle, Joyce Piz**.

Doris Beverly & Rick Knoll coordinate the annual Christmas Potluck. **Lois Cady, Bob Koelmel, Nina Edwards** and many others also pitch in.

Our wonderful photos are by **Bill Kwinn** and **Jerry Nix**. Video taping is by **Bill & Marilyn Decker**.

Les Anderson, Rich Brooks, Nina Edwards, Rick Knoll, Lillian Oliver, and Thelma Reed, our newsletter distribution team, each volunteer to fold, sticker, stamp and stuff each issue of the newsletter! Pre-program facilities set up at the Holiday Hills Ballroom is done by **Bob Koelmel**. **Mike Schuh** takes care of the sound and light control systems.

Clean up time finds the prep folks and the back table folks plus **Irene Backes, Lois Cady, Jim Hunter**, (and others we have probably overlooked) putting the Ballroom back into its natural state.

The RTD Senior Ride bus arrangements are coordinated by **Lorna Koelmel**. Advance ticket sales for "fee" events are handled by **Doris Beverly**.

We are indebted to **Bev Bucci, Jim Calm, Bob Castle, Bob Flinn, Ingrid Gardner, DeLoy Goelein, Ken Mervine, Frank Perko III, Doug Thompson, Lee Traster** and **Kevin Utter** for being there when their musical talents are needed.

Our wonderful organ maintenance crew, led by **Don Wick**, which keeps the Paramount Wurlitzer in working condition, includes **Bob Castle, David Charles** and **Ryan Kroll**. Ryan wrote a grant application which netted our club \$1,000 for supplies needed to re-leather Paramount wind chests.

Pipes & Stripes VII

Sunday, February 17th, 2 pm

Denver Paramount Theatre

Everyone is welcome; No charge

“Pipes & Stripes” returns to the Denver Paramount for it’s seventh annual presentation. The successful series joins the 101st Army Band of the Colorado National Guard with the Paramount’s Mighty Wurlitzer theatre pipe organ.

The event is once again sponsored by Kroenke Sports Charities and RMCATOS. There will be no admission charge and no tickets are needed.

An RTD bus from Holiday Hills has been requested:

Pipes & Stripes VII is an RTD Senior Ride Event. An RTD bus from Holiday Hills to the Paramount is being requested, but our number of available seats will not be known until later in December.

Round trip bus fare between Holiday Hills and the Paramount is \$2.25 for Seniors (65 & over) and \$4.50 for all others.

Reserve Your RTD bus seat NOW!

RTD reservations must be made before January 28th. Call **Lorna Koelmel, 303-430-4335**. Seats are first come, first served, since we do not know how many bus seats we will get. Closer to the show date, Lorna will contact you regarding what time the bus departs Holiday Hills.

Bus fare is paid in exact change when boarding the bus. There is no admission charge for the show.

Doors Open Denver

(Pending Paramount confirmation)

Saturday & Sunday, April 13 & 14th

10 am to 4 pm each day

Denver Paramount Theatre

Everyone is welcome; No charge

Providing the Paramount is available, once again RMCATOS will offer non-stop, live, Mighty Wurlitzer theatre organ music and guided theatre tours during each day of Doors Open Denver.

In Memoriam

Member **Rev. George Brayton** passed away November 10th, 2012. Rev Brayton was Pastor Emeritus of the Holiday Hills Christian Church which meets Sunday mornings in the Holiday Hills

Ballroom. Our sympathies to his wife, Erma and daughter, Kathy, who are also RMCATOS members. We will miss Rev. Brayton’s cooperation and helpful attitude for RMCATOS activities.

New Newsletter Schedule

Due to the absence of additional volunteers to take club responsibilities, the newsletter will be published quarterly instead of bi-monthly as it has been in the past.

Issues will be dated March, June, September and December.

E-mail notification of club events will continue, but may be the next “to go”.

RMCATOS Events Calendar

Member **Ben Ehrlich** **Advent Organ Recitals**

Nov 27th – (Tue) Trinity UMC, Denver – 12:15 pm

Dec 11th – (Tue) 1st Plymouth Congregational - Noon

Dec 14th – (Fri) 1st Plymouth Congregational - 7:00 pm

Dec 2nd – (Sun) – **Holiday Pot Luck**

Holiday Hills Ballroom – 2 pm

Our annual Christmas-time event of food and fellowship.

Members only.

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Denver Paramount Theatre – 2 pm

101st Army Band & Mighty Wurlitzer

No charge, no ticket necessary.

This is an RTD Senior Ride event.

Apr 13 & 14th – (Sat & Sun) – (Pending Paramount confirm)

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Pikes Peak Chapter Events

Dec 6th – (Thur) – **Holiday Sack Lunch Serenade**

thru (Pikes Peak Chapter event – 719-473-2010)

Dec 27th City Auditorium, Colorado Springs

Every Thursday @ noon in December.

Donations accepted.



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