

Pipes along the Rockies

Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain Chapter American Theatre Organ Society, Inc. September, 2013

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Could this be a sequel? ...

Keep Calm & Carry a Tune

Sunday, September 22nd, 2 pm Holiday Hills Ballroom

Everyone is welcome: No charge

Our program in September of 2012 was "Keep Calm & Carry On" This September we have a variation of that title and Jim will be the whole cast.

Jim Calm, a man of many talents, returns with a varied program of piano, organ, instruments and a few surprises thrown in for good measure.

Light refreshments will be served.

Multiple guest musicians ...

Music, Music, Music

Sunday, October 20th, 2 pm Holiday Hills Ballroom

Everyone is welcome: No charge

Performers of all ages will play a variety of music produced both by instruments and vocal chords!

It's an interesting story how we found this collection of musicians so be sure to attend and get the full details on the discovery.

Light refreshments will be served.

Hallelujah, it's back!

Got Gospel?

Sunday, November 3nd, 2 pm Holiday Hills Ballroom Everyone is welcome: No charge

The November "Got Gospel?" tradition continues this year featuring the "Brighton Brilliance": three church organists all from Brighton, CO churches. The keyboard artists include: **Bev Bucci** (United Methodist), Marlys Harp (Zion Lutheran) and Randy Morris (First Presbyterian).

You can be assured the rafters will be swaying with hymn tunes and other religious music. As we have done in past years, the collection plate will NOT be passed and a sermon will be omitted!

Light refreshments will be served.

Who said "Bob, Break a Leg"? ... Bob Castle Breaks a Leg

In late July, member **Bob Castle** had a fall, broke his right leg and damaged his right knee.

Bob is fine and in good spirits. The first huge cast has been removed and he is currently receiving therapy at an Aurora rehab center. Would you believe there just happens to be a piano close by!



The broken leg experience was not something new for Bob. Several years ago he broke his left leg in a skiing accident.

Our best wishes to Bob for a speedy recovery and hope to see him soon "back on the bench".

Congratulations Bryan! ... Bryan Dunnewald on NPR!

Bryan Dunnewald will soon be starting his high school senior year at the Interlochen Arts Academy in Michigan. Bryan has performed for us a number of times, both at Holiday Hills and at the Paramount. He most recently played Bach and Sousa on the Mighty Wurlitzer at the Paramount in August.



National Public Radio (NPR) has aired a "From the Top" broadcast that includes Bryan playing with the Colorado Symphony, the V. Maestoso from the Saint-Saens' "Organ Symphony".

The broadcast can be heard on the internet: www.FromTheTop.org

Click on "NPR Radio Program"

Click on "Radio Show Archive"

Roll down & click on "Show 266 | Denver"

Click on "Listen to the Show"

Click the Audio File arrow to hear the show You can listen to the whole show, or move the slider

to Bryan's portion which starts at 40:25.

The "friends" were virtual ... "Bob Castle & Friends"

Our July 14th club social at Holiday Hills was "**Bob Castle** and Friends". The friends were famous names from the theatre organ world such as Jesse Crawford and George Wright. Neither Jesse nor George, however, was able to show up in person at the ballroom but their presence was felt and definitely was in no way "diminished".



A crowd of around 90 members and guests enjoyed hearing some of the great theatre organ classics provided by Bob and his friends.

Additional photos can be found on page 64 of "Club Events" at www.RMCATOS.org.

The Wurlitzer was, indeed, Wonderful ... "Wonderful Wurlitzer"

Just over 100 RMCATOS and AGO members arrived at the Denver Paramount on Sunday, August 11th, for our "free day at the Paramount" thanks to the Paramount staff.

Prior to the show, the audience was shown a video presentation of Paramount and Wurlitzer facts and glimpses of past RMCATOS events at the theatre.

Nine musicians played in six sections of the program. Listed in order of appearance: **Ingrid Gardner; Ken, Barbara & Gabriel Mervine;** Bryan Dunnewald; **Bob Flinn & Kevin Utter** (and **Bingo); Ben Ehrlich;** and former member **Mike Bryant** now from Vancouver, Washington.



The performers provided a wonderful array of musical moods and styles, including the Lakeside Amusement Park song sing-a-long, the "Symphony of Grace" with organ, trumpet and voice, some Bach and some Sousa, a medley of old favorites played utilizing both Wurlitzer consoles, some progressive jazz & 1850 French street music, and closed with accompaniment of a silent film clip,



Our thanks to everyone who participated in the afternoon's activities. A special thanks to **Don Wick** and Dave Weesner who did the pre-event organ tuning and maintenance.

Additional photos can be found on page 4 of this newsletter and page 65 of "Club Events" at www.RMCATOS.org.

In Memoriam

Member **Eugene Heinz** passed away August 9th. Our sympathies to his family and friends.

Welcome New Members

Kenny & Donna Baker, Arvada Ron M & Karen Cook, Centennial Frank & Vanda Dreisbach, Longmont Heather Gardner & John Baker, Golden Burt Hermey, Costa Mesa, CA Jean & Carol Jacques, Golden Douglas & Carol Macomber, Englewood Ray & Penny Maw, Denver

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If you have comments about club activities or would like to attend a board of directors meeting, contact one of the officers.

RMCATOS Events Calendar

Sept 22 - (Sun) - "Keep Calm & Carry a Tune" Holiday Hills Ballroom - 2 pm Jim Calm

Everyone invited: No charge

Oct 20 - (Sun) - "Music, Music, Music"
Holiday Hills Ballroom - 2 pm
Special musical guests
Everyone invited: No charge

Nov 3 - (Sun) - "Got Gospel?"

Holiday Hills Ballroom - 2 pm
The Brighton Brilliance
Bev Bucci, Marlys Harp,
Randy Morris
Everyone invited: No charge

Dec 8 - (Sun) - "Christmas Pot Luck"
Holiday Hills Ballroom - 2 pm
Members Only. No Charge.

Other Organ Events

Oct 13 – (Sun) – Dr. Elizabeth Farr CU Professor of Organ & Early Music First Presbyterian Church – 3:00 pm 1820 15th St., Boulder

Oct 21 – (Mon) – AGO Members' Recital Montview Presbyterian Church – 7:00 pm 1980 Dahlia St, Denver

Nov 2 – (Sat) – Downtown Denver Organ Crawl Tickets: \$15 per person Details at: www.historicdenver.org





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