

## Pipes along the Rockies

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

June 2016 Information Line: 303-466-3330

Just sing the Lyrics!

# "ROLLICKING SING-ALONG!"

Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> 2 pm Holiday Hills Ballroom Open to the public, no charge

Don't know the words? Just sing the lyrics! We had a rollicking good time at our February social when Randy Morris and Bev Bucci gathered up our voices and Lee Shaw led us in a good old fashioned sing-along of favorite tunes. Our June social will feature a variety of organists and pianists accompanying the golden voices of the Holiday Hills Concert Choir (that's you!) singing songs that everybody knows, or ought to know! Have a ukulele, guitar or nose flute? Bring it! We'll have chord charts and lyrics. There might even be an opportunity for a soloist or two. RMCATOS loves making music and having fun together. Come join us for a rollicking good time!



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Have Touring Organs, Will Travel!

## "Keep Calm and Tour On!"

Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup> 2 pm Holiday Hills Ballroom Open to the public, no charge

It's time once again for the multi-talented Jim Calm to do his thing at Holiday Hills. Jim will perform on the digital theatre organ, grand piano, a brass instrument or two, and will bring his collection of traveling Touring Organs. It has been a long-time goal of Jim's to be able to bring a substantial organ to audiences anywhere, especially to those who may not be able to get out and hear a nice church or theatre organ. Jim will also premiere his new composition "Toccata Amata" written in memory of his mother, Mary Calm, who loved attending RMCATOS events.







# "KEVIN LEAPS INTO SPRING!"

It's a bird... it's a plane... it's SUPER KEVIN! Wearing a brilliant crimson Superman cape Kevin Utter lept into the HH ballroom with his intrepid sidekicks Bingo and Doc Fergy and knocked our 164 socks off with a brilliant and varied program that also included the heroic theme song from Superman. Kevin is equally at home playing theatre organ, church organ and piano, and included some spot-on Fats Waller tunes in his program.



### "Doors Open Denver"

The Paramount doors again opened wide for Doors Open Denver 2016 on Saturday only with shortened hours of 10-2. Even with the abbreviated schedule 264 spectators arrived to hear non-stop Mighty Wurlitzer music provided by Jim Calm, Bob Castle and Doug Thompson and take theatre tours led by Lee Shaw and Tim Cissell. Wes Ranstrom brought his Howard seat and gave his "How a pipe organ works" demo, Don Wick explained the Smithsonian Wurlitzer blueprints and Rich Brooks provided a friendly welcome at the hospitality table.



## "PLEASE SIR, I WANT SOME MORRIS"

We wanted more and an audience of 70 got some more Morris in May as Randy played a beautiful program of favorites including sing-alongs and requests. Randy has experience as a pizza parlor organist and really knows how to please an audience.





## "SPANGLERS WELCOME FROOGIES!"

Kitty and Bruce Spangler welcomed the Front Range Organ Owner's Group (FROOG) into their beautiful home in May for a program played by Jim Calm and Bob Castle. The Spangler's GW4 organ truly is a delight to play and listen to, and its walnut French console is simply gorgeous. A 7' grand piano is connected to the organ and got the audience's attention during a rousing rendition of "Dizzy Fingers." Kitty and Bruce are retired magicians who had an illustrious career entertaining countless audiences. and now maintain a Museum of Magic in their basement.





# Lakewood Cultural Center-Braecher Organ Installation

Master Organ Technician Mike Barnhill is making significant progress on the installation of the Bert Braecher STR-4 and we anticipate completion this month. Rich Brooks and Jim Calm have constructed a platform for the organ to permanently sit on to facilitate transport between the basement storage area and the stage. The platform has just been delivered to the theatre and the organ is ready to roll.







#### **Welcome New Members**

Bud & Geraldine Luethi, Boulder

#### In Memoriam

Members Erma Brayton and Pat Kuckes have recently passed away. Our sympathies to their families and friends.

### **RMCATOS Officers for 2016**

President: Ryan Kroll (970) 679-0196

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one of the officers.





### RMCATOS Events Calendar

June 26<sup>th</sup> – (Sun) – "Rollicking Sing-Along!" Holiday Hills Ballroom – 2 pm Bring your voices and enthusiasm! Open to the public, no charge

July 24<sup>th</sup> - (Sun) - "Keep Calm and Tour On" Holiday Hills Ballroom – 2 pm Jim Calm, organist Open to the public, no charge

Aug 14<sup>th</sup> - (Sun) - "Free Day at the Paramount" (No Paramount confirmation until July 14, we will notify if venue change)

> Paramount Theatre – 2 pm Mighty Wurlitzer Music

RMCATOS and AGO members only

#### **Colorado Springs PPATOS Events**

Thursday Sack Lunch Serenade, Noon, City Auditorium

June 16: To Be Announced, it will be great!

June 23: Our AGO Friends. Special show at the Organ Gym

June 30: Nick & Mike, the Dynamic Duo of the Keyboards!

July 7: Jim Calm. Special show at the Organ Gym

July 14: Nick & Mike, together again just for fun!

July 21: Bob Flinn. Roll out those lazy, crazy tunes!

July 28: DeLoy Goeglein. We've missed you, welcome back!

August 4: Jim Calm. The Special Ragtime Show!

August 11: Bob Flinn. Those tunes just keep comin'!

August 18: DeLoy Goeglein. Back for more good times!

August 25: Jim Calm. Can school be starting already?!

September 1: Season Finale. All your favorites, All the good Stuff. A final blast!



