

THE WINDLINE

(The on-line newsletter of the Clearwater Chapter, American Guild of Organists) Stephen L. Allen, Chapter Dean Email: frontofficefpc@tampabay.rr.com 455 Scotland Street, Dunedin, Florida 34698 Phone: 727-733-2318 www.clearwaterago.org

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's Mess

Well, the time is finally here for me to write my last "Dean's Message". As I retire from this position, I reflect on the wonderful opportunity I have had over the last four years to work with many dedicated board members to do the business of an AGO chapter and to provide you, its members, quality programs for our education, inspiration and enjoyment.

The scope and variety of the programs from J T the past four years astound me. We have been privileged to present organ recitals, handbell workshops, choral workshops, organ crawls, a music rummage sale, Messiah sing with orchestra, continued support for a Baroque Music Festival, as well as supporting our members as they presented wonderful programs at their respective churches. The American Guild of Organists is alive and well in Clearwater!

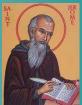
I thank every member of this chapter for their support and encouragement during my tenure as Dean. I could not have served in this position without each and every one of you. I know your new officers and board will continue the high standard that has been set. I look forward to seeing what the future brings to the Clearwater Chapter of the AGO.

As many of you know, I live in Tampa but work in Dunedin. Now that my duties for the Clearwater Chapter are coming to an end, I am Iooking forward to being a part of the Tampa Chapter which is closer to my home. I hope to enjoy the benefits of closer chapter activities in Tampa, but shall also keep open my option to events from the Clearwater chapter which will always have a very, very special place in my heart. Stephen L. Allen, Dean

CLEARWATER CHAPTER AGO Banquet/Installation of Officers May 15 (Sunday) Gathering at 6:00 PM; Dinner at 6:30 PM St. Jerome's Catholic Church 10895 Hamlin Blvd., Largo (Tom Kurt, Dir. of Music/Organist, Host) Menu: Chicken Marsala wild rice green beans Almondine garden salad dessert **Beverages** Price: \$12/person

Following dinner, Evening **Prayer/Installation Service in** the St. Jerome Chapel.

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To make a reservation, call the music office at St. Jerome's-727-595-3100, ext. 304 by May 9. If no one is available to take your call, please leave a voice mail with your name and the number of reservations.

Students' Corner

AGO STUDENT GATHERING THURSDAY, JUNE 9

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH 455 MISSOURI AVENUE, LARGO (727-585-9969) <u>don@poplargo.org</u>

9:30 AM – Coffee and... 10:00 AM – Gathering 12:00 noon – Lunch (local restaurant)



Former Clearwater AGO scholarship recipients returning from college will once again be invited to share

their experiences with high school students and what they might have done differently in preparation for college enrollment. Students are encouraged to play a piece of their choice. Information on student grants and other forms of financial aid as well as private and in-school sources will be shared. This is a follow-up of the highly successful gathering last Christmas.



Please note that this will be the last newsletter sent out by email until early Fall. A big "thank you" to Lynn Vera who has graciously accepted the post of editor for the year 2011-2012.

SUBSTITUTE ORGANISTS FOR WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS

(Other than Sunday mornings) Note: Inclusion in the list below does not constitute the Chapter's endorsement of skills, and thus it encourages interviews with all prospective substitutes.

Stephen Allen	(813)	968-7095
Cheryl Brouette	(727)	785-8081
Edi Evans	"	446-3739
Grayce Hillman	"	642-7322
Tom Huffman	"	409-8726
Robert Kirchner	"	674-5118
Faye Monroe	"	474-6285
David Owens	"	595-8196
Dr. Sandra Rogers	"	937-9780
Lynn Vera	"	644-1712
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WEBSITE UPDATE -Sorry for the Inconvenience!

We will let you know when our "finished product" is up and run-

ning. In the meantime, we appreciate your patience!

Stephen L. Allen, Dean

SCHOLARSHIPS—GROM EDUCATION FUND

Grom Scholarship applications for students of organ study are available online (Clearwater Chapter website) or from any of the current Board members. <u>Please note</u> the following due dates for scholarship applications. Completed forms must include period of study, number of lessons, length of lessons, and dollar amount. Applications can be sent to Stephen Allen, Dean, at First Presbyterian Church, Dunedin (Address on page 1.) The Board will consider all scholarship requests upon receipt of an application up to and including the due date. For questions and other information, contact Tom Huffman, Fund Chairman, at 727-733-8726 or email him at hufftom@aol.com.



<u>Semester</u>	Months of Study	Application Due Date
Summer (POE's, etc.)	(June — Aug.)	May 15
Fall	(Sept Dec.)	August 15
Spring	(Jan. — May)	December 15

Note: A big "Thank You" to St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Sun City, for sending the Chapter a check for \$1,143.34, proceeds from its recent concert. The April 3 Clearwater Chapter teacher/student organ recital at First Presbyterian, Dunedin, netted \$679.00. Thanks to teachers and 7 students who played at this event. Both offerings will benefit the Clearwater Chapter student scholarship fund.

Soli Deo Gloria

Substitute Organists/Choir Directors/Accompanists/Vocalists (Please send updates or corrections for this list to Placement Coordinator Harryette Williams at 596-5968 or email her at hwilliams79@tampabay.rr.com) Note: Inclusion in the list below does not constitute the Chapter's endorsement of skills, and thus it encourages interviews with all prospective substitutes. Edi Evans 446-3739 Organist Betty Dethmers 726-7816 Organist or Organist/Director (Not available May-September) Grayce Hillman 642-7322 Organist or Organist/Director 442-8333

Roberta Hoopes **Beth Kendall Dorothy Olsen Dr. Sandra Rogers** Rhoda Young

Organist Organist or Organist/Director (Not available May-September)
Organist or Organist/Director Choir Director
Organist/Director
Organist (WINTER RESIDENT)
Organist//Director Choir Director/vocalist

<u>Clearwater Chapter Board Meetings</u>



Meetings held at First Presbyterian Church, Dunedin

> Next Meeting -Wed., May 4 9:30 AM.

Clearwater AGO Officers 2010-2011

Dean: Sub-Dean: Secretary: Treasurer: Stephen Allen Tom Huffman Cheryl Brouette Bill Rockenfeller

Board Members

2011: Betty Dethmers, Mark Prater

2012: Kevin Johnson, Ron Streicher

2013: Carol Alexander, Robert Shone

Placement Coordinator

Harryette Williams : 596-5968 Email: hwilliams79@tampabay.rr.com

The Windline

Cheryl Brouette - Spartan_08@verizon.net

Scholarships - Grom Education Fund

Thomas Huffman, Chair—hufftom@aol.com

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2011-2012 DUE BY JULY 1.



Forms will be available at the May Banquet and can also be found on-line by googling *The American Guild of Organists*. Please send form & check to: **Bill Rockenfeller** (Chapter Treasurer) **25 S. McMullen Booth Road Clearwater, FL 33759**



Officers

Dean Kevin Johnson Sub-Dean Tom Huffman Secretary Denny Smith Treasurer Bill Rockenfeller

Board Members:

2012: Priscilla Ortoski (To replace Kevin Johnson)

2014: Robert Kirchner Harryette Williams

A big "Thank You" to Bill Rockenfeller and Lynn Vera for their hard work and hours spent on obtaining the above candidates.



FREE to a good home:

Lowry "Celebration Organ" with Magic Genie Contact **Andre Degueldre** in Tarpon Springs at

Picture of a similar **Celebration Magic Genie Lowry** organ

727-938-2450



News from your Region IV Councilor -

Laura Ellis, DMA American Guild of Organists **Region IV Councilor/Southeast** Irellis@ufl.edu.

National Council meets in the windy city

Your councilor for Region IV travelled to Chicago on March 24-26 for the spring meeting of the National Council. Leaving 80-degree temperatures in the part aphywindty but acid (1) with bights in the 20/2

Florida, I found Chicago to be not only windy, but cold (!) with highs in the 30's. A variety of topics were covered during the meeting, and I'll summarize events with the 'Top Seven' list from the Spring Meeting of the National Council:

- 7: New dates for for AGO Houston 2016: June 20-23, 2016
- 6: Kansas City won the bid for the 2018 National Convention!
- 5: Has your chapter considered hosting a POE or Regional? Now is the time to consider putting together a bid. Let me know if you're interested!
- 4. As of the meeting date, only 9 of the chapters in Region IV had contributed to the AGO Annual Fund. As many of you know, a high percentage of giving makes our organization more attractive to grant agencies. Perhaps your chapter can give a small amount?
- 3: Status of National Dues Collection delayed. The company contracted to prepare the system was not able to complete their work on time so implementation is delayed. While I don't have answers to all the questions, I am now able to preview sample pages of the program. I do think the system has exciting possibilities -- we'll just need a bit of patience as we make the transition. If there is any way I can assist, let me know!

And, closer to home

- Thanks to all chapters in our region that agreed to host local rounds of the AGO/Quimby regional competition. Competitions were/will be held at six locations. Watch the Region IV blog (http://agoregionivblog.blogspot.com/) for announcements of winners.
- 1. Have you registered for the Region IV regional convention yet? It's time! I look forward to seeing many of you there . . . let's all go to Greensboro!

Don't forget to send informational items for inclusion on the Region IV blog. Send me copy-ready information and pictures, if available, and I'll post. I look forward to meeting you all in Greensboro!



Laura Ellis

Music at Ascension Concert Series 2010-2011

Presents

"Captation of Chromatic Compositions for Carpal and Crural Corpora on Claviers"

> Dr. David McKinney, organist In Recital Friday, May 6, 2001

Music by Britten, Eben, Albright, Deimer, Górecki, Fromm-Michaels & Conte



Artist's Biography

David McKinney studied organ with Vernon Wolcott, Willis Bodine, Miriam Zach, and Pamela Decker. He was awarded a Doctoral Fulbright Fellowship to Germany and researched the organ works of Hugo Distler with Rolf Schönstedt.

As a new music enthusiast, Dr. McKinney has premiered several compositions worldwide. He currently reviews new music and recordings for *The Diapason*.

Free concert

\$10-20 Suggested Donation

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(Two blocks West of Ft. Harrison Ave. between Druid Rd. and Turner St.)