

THE WINDLINE

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CLEARWATER AGO 2012-2013

OFFICERS

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

BOARD MEMBERS

2013: Carol Alexander

Robert Shone

2014: Robert Kirchner

Harryette Williams

2015: James Biggers

Priscilla Ortoski

Board Meetings are held at St. Alfred's Episcopal Church, 1601 Curlew Road Palm Harbor.

Next Board Meeting Wednesday, September 5, 2012 9:30 a.m.

GROM EDUCATION FUND

Tom Huffman, Chair email: hufftom@aol.com

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Harryette Williams

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Dean's Message

Hello everyone,

I hope you all have had a relaxing summer. In some ways I hate to turn loose of summer with its more relaxed schedule with



more evenings free, but in many ways I also enjoy taking hold of the challenges the new choir year brings and returning to my regular schedule and renewing friendships with my fellow musicians. It's a year filled with new opportunities.

The executive board has been working on creating some new opportunities for our members with this year's program schedule. Our first program opportunity will be on Sunday evening, September 23 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Clearwater. Denny Smith has arranged for us to have a workshop-reading session with Dr. James Bass, director of the Master Chorale. This will be a great opportunity to hear and see how Dr. Bass works with choral singers and take some of his techniques back to our own choirs. Choir members from your church are welcome to join us for the entire evening which includes dinner (\$12 per person) or just the workshop which will begin at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Bass will supply music for the workshop.

Our featured guest recitalists this year will be Andrew Kotylo from New Haven, Connecticut and Mossimo Nossetti from Assisi, Italy The rest of this year's interesting and varied calendar is listed on page 5. I hope you will take every opportunity to come out and participate in these enriching programs.

See you on Sunday, September 23,

Kevin V. Johnson, Dean

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Choir members who do not wish to join us for dinner may arrive for the Workshop Session at 7:30 pm.

Cost is \$12.00 per person. Send your check to Bill Rockenfeller by September 20th to make a reservation.

See Flyer at the end of the Newsletter Please Post for your Choir Members

Kudos to Tom Huffman...Again

The Clearwater AGO is featured again in the September issue of The American Organist. On page 24 you will find a picture of members of the newly installed Officers and Board along with an article on page 26 about our May Banquet. Tom submitted the photo and article. Thanks to Tom for getting us in print two months in a row.



GREETINGS FROM YOUR REGION IV COUNCILOR!

I hope everyone had a refreshing summer! My own Gainesville chapter hosted a successful POE and we should all be proud of our friends from Nashville for presenting such a wonderful national convention! Thanks to all that were involved in putting on these events . . . your work is noticed and deeply appreciated. Region IV does a fantastic job!

For more information on these events, please check out the Region IV blog at: http://agoregionivblog.blogspot.com/ or like the Region IV facebook page: http://www.facebook.com/pages/AGO-Region-IV/312313912115500?ref=hl.

In my opinion, the strength of the AGO is in the local chapters and membership. I have been excited to see so many events and photos submitted to the TAO celebrating the great activities going on in Region IV. Thank you for sharing.

Again this year, I plan to host district/state meetings throughout our region. Chapter Deans (or their designate) will be invited to a meeting to share information from national, discuss concerns, and share success stories. District conveners will be contacting Chapter Deans to coordinate.

Don't forget to put the 2013 Columbia regional convention on your calendar for July 3-6, 2013. Registration is already open (and it's easy!): http://www.regional2013.org/registration.html I hope to visit your chapter soon!

Best, Laura Ellis

E-mail me at: LRELLIS@ufl.edu

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Upcoming Performances

Organ recital by Heather Kirkconnell

First Presbyterian Church 701 Beach Drive N.E., St. Petersburg, Florida

Sunday, September 16, 2012, ★ 4:00 p.m.

Heather Kirkconnell is a rising young star in the organ world. A Florida native, she completed her Bachelor of Music degree in Organ Performance conjointly with a Bachelor of Arts degree in French at the prestigious Oberlin College and Conservatory. Her primary organ teachers included Mark Coffey, David Boe, Marie-Louise Langlais and Jack Mitchener. She is presently studying in France with organist Jean-Baptiste Robin and harpsichordist Lisa Goode Crawford.



Classics and Cheesecake

St. Alfred's Episcopal Church 1601 Curlew Road, Palm Harbor , Florida 727-785-1601

This is a concert with a wide variety of classical instrumental and vocal selections performed by St. Alfred's Episcopal Church musicians. At the intermission all go to the parish hall to sample a variety of cheesecakes and other sweets. Following our cheesecake break we return for the second half of the program.



A Celebration and Dedication On the 30th Anniversary of the Reuter Organ

First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin 455 Scotland Street , Dunedin, FL 34698 727-733-2318

Sunday, October 28, 2012 + 3:00 p.m.

Stephen L. Allen, Director of Music/Organist at First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin will present a program of organ music to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the 19 rank Reuter instrument at First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin. A multi-level memory bank was added to the organ as a part of the anniversary celebration. A series of programs is being planned through October 2013. A free-will offering will be taken at each program to establish an organ fund for future additions of ranks and organ repair.

SUBSTITUTE LIST

ORGANISTS / DIRECTORS / ACCOMPANISTS / VOCALISTS

Please send updates or corrections for this list to Placement Coordinator **Harryette Williams** by calling **727-596-5968** or emailing her at **hwilliams79@tampabay.rr.com**.

Note: Inclusion in the two lists below does not constitute the Chapter's endorsement of skills, and thus it encourages interviews with all prospective substitutes.

Janice Beach	727-391-3145	Organist (temporary only)
James Biggers	727-784-8450	Organist
Edi Evans	727-446-3739	Organist
Grayce Hillman	727-642-7322	Organist or Organist/Director
Roberta Hoopes	727-442-8333	Choir Director
Dorothy Olsen	727-784-8620	Organist (Winter Resident)
Rhoda Young	727-535-2125	Choir Director/Vocalist

SUBSTITUTE ORGANISTS FOR WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS (Other than Sunday mornings)

Stephen Allen	813-968-7095	Tom Huffman	727-409-8726
James Biggers	727-784-8450	Robert Kirchner	727-674-5118
Cheryl Brouette	727-785-8081	Faye Monroe	727-260-3990
Edi Evans	727-446-3739	Dr. Linda Pointer	727-441-1099
David Owens	727-595-8196	Dr. Sandra Rogers	727-937-9780
Grayce Hillman	727-642-7322	_	

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

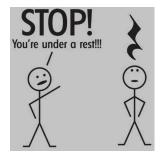
St. Anne's Episcopal (Anglican) Church in Crystal River is looking for an Organist/Choir Director. A small choir meets only in the winter, rehearsing every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. prior to the 10:15 service. The organ is a two-manual Rodgers in good condition, and the piano is tuned to the organ for possible duets. Extensive music library. Compensation is negotiable.

Please contact Christina Scarbrough: muettisquirt@hotmail.com.

Venice Presbyterian Church is looking for an Associate Organist/Accompanist with appropriate education and experience in several areas: organ/piano skills, hymn-playing, improvisation, presentation of solo organ literature and choral accompaniment. Applicants must be comfortable with a variety of musical worship styles. This is a salaried part-time position, requiring 15 hours/week and a yearly salary range of \$15,000. to \$17,000., negotiable.

Contact Andrew R. Galuska. Phone: (941) 488 - 2258, ext. 122. Cell: (941) 468 - 7864.

Email: agaluska@venicepresbyterian.org Website: www.venicepresbyterian.org



Newsletter Items

Please submit any Newsletter Items by the 15th of the month before you want your item to be posted to the e-mail address below. Also use this address to inform me of any e-mail updates including if you are receiving multiple copies of the Newsletter. (NewsletterClwAGO@msn.com) Thanks, Scott Garrett, Newsletter Editor



2012-2013 Clearwater AGO Sponsored Programs

September 23 Dinner & Choral Workshop/Anthem Reading

(Sunday) Dr. James Bass, Artistic Director of the Master Chorale

6 p.m. St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Clearwater

October 26 Pipe Screams

(Friday) 1st Presbyterian Church, Dunedin

7 p.m. Please let Stephen Allen know if you would like to play on the Pipe Screams Halloween

concert This is your chance to play something really scary.

November 17 Handbell Workshop

(Saturday) Northwood Presbyterian Church, Clearwater

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Kathleen Shaw, Adjunct Professor, Conductor of Westminster Concert Bell Choir

Westminster Choir College, Princeton, NJ

December 26 Student Gathering

(Wednesday)

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Largo

10 a.m.

December 29 Christmas Party

(Saturday) or

December 30

January 13 Andrew Kotylo, Organ Recital

(Sunday) Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church

3 p.m.

March 1 Early Music Festival – Guest Artist TBA

(Friday) 1st Presbyterian Church, Dunedin

7:30 p.m.

March 2 Early Music Festival—Student Recital

(Saturday) 1st Presbyterian Church, Dunedin

March 10 **Early Music Festival Choral Concert** (Sunday) *Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church*

3 p.m.

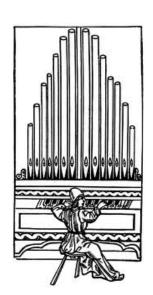
April 21 **Massimo Nosetti, Organ Recital** (Sunday) *Prince of Peace Lutheran, Largo*

3 p.m.

May 19 - **Spring Banquet**

(Sunday) Special Guest: Dr. Laura Ellis, District Convener

6 p.m. St. Jerome Catholic Church, Largo



Choral Workshops at the Marcia P. Hoffman Performing Arts Institute At Ruth Eckerd Hall, Clearwater

The Hoffman Institutes has received a generous grant from MetLife to offer short workshops in conjunction with the Clearwater Chorus rehearsals. These classes are all geared toward people who sing in choruses / choirs. You can choose from individual classes or decide to attend the entire series. The cost...\$3 per class or \$25.00 for the entire series of 24 classes!

Courses will be held September through December. The September courses are listed below. For a full listing of offerings and additional information, contact Katrina Watters, Education Associate at the Institute at 727-712-2743 or by e-mail at kwatters@rutheckerdhall.net.

Session 1	September 4	6:30—7:15	Breathing and Relaxation
Session 2	September 11	6:30—7:15	Protecting your Voice
Session 3	September 18	6:30—7:15	Vocal Technique 1
Session 4	September 25	6:30—7:15	Vocal Technique 2
Session 5	October 2	6:30—7:15	Practicing Safely and Effectively

A small listing of the other classes to be offered are:

- Basic Music Reading 1
- Basic Music Reading 2
- Concert Composers
- Concert Music Selection Interpreting Text Part 1
- Concert Music Selection Interpreting Text Part 2
- Putting Music Interpretation into your Voice, Face, and Body
- Stage Presence
- Conquering Performance Anxiety: Tools to Relax
- Rehearsal: Understanding the Professional Stage

Sykes Chapel Center for Faith and Values At the University of Tampa

College of Arts and Letters 401 W. Kennedy Blvd. Tampa, FL 33606 813-257-6100

2012-20103 Concert Artist Series

Sunday October, 7, 2012, 2:00 p.m.

Concertos for Organ and Strings

Ryan Hebert and Haig Mardirosian, Organists Haig Mardirosian and Kira Horel, Conductors Sykes Chapel Chamber Orchestra

The program includes the Poulenc Concerto for Organ, Strings, and Timpani, Howard Hanson's Concerto for Organ, Strings, and Har[, Jean Langlais' Piece in Free Form and the famous Adagio of Albinoni.



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There is no charge for those attending just the Choral Workshop.