

Clearwater AGO 2017-2018 Officers

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Board Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 9:00 AM at: First United Methodist Church of Clearwater, 411 Turner St.

Next Board Meeting: November 8, 2017

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SUBSTITUTES AVAILABLE

(O=Organist only; O/D=Organist/Director; D=Director only; V=Vocalist)

Please send updates or corrections for this list to Placement Coordinator Priscilla Ortoski by call (727) 845-4745 or emailing tap.tortoski1@verizon.net. Inclusion in the lists below does not constitute the Chapter's endorsement of skills, and thus it encourages interviews with prospective substitutes. Those listed must be a member of The American Guild of Organists.

Peggy BeVille	(727) 726-8457 O (727) 403-8166 (cell)
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Stephen Allen	(813) 968-7095 O, O/D
Tom Huffman	(727) 409-8726 O, O/D
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POSITION AVAILABLE

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Dunedin, is seeking an organist. This position is part time (approximately 10 – 15 hours weekly). Hours include: weekly rehearsals and Sunday mornings, along with preparation.

The ideal candidate should have and demonstrate strong experience or training on a pipe organ. An Associate degree in Music Leadership or related field supplemented by two (2) years' experience as an Organist or equivalent work experience is preferred.



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Young Organists Competition 2018

Sponsored by the
Great Columbia AGO Chapter

Saturday, March 10, 2018

Columbia SC

Open to Grades 8-12

First Prize \$1500
Second Prize \$1000
Third Prize \$750
Hymn Playing Award \$250
Bach Playing Award \$250

For rules and application see
Youth Organist Competition 2018
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The American Guild of Organists

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Mysterious and Spooky PipeScreams 2017



Hello, AGO members,

Organists are appreciated at weddings and funerals and especially on Christmas Eve, but Halloween is the season when it is actually hip to play the organ! I will confess that I used to think that associating the Toccata and Fugue in D Minor with haunted houses was detrimental to our profession, but Halloween provides such a wonderful opportunity to schedule concerts that might make some new fans for the organ. The PipeScreams tradition at First Presbyterian in Dunedin is just such an event.

Let me express my thanks to all the Guild members and friends who played the organ, played the piano, dressed up in costume, sang in the Spectre Singers or sang solos in the program. It was so much fun to exchange our normal Sunday morning roles and behaviors for more of a Saturday Night Live vibe. The program included a nice variety of music by Mendelssohn, Rossini, Gigout, Tchaikovsky, Gounod, Lloyd Webber and more. Maybe even one or two people in the audience took out their phones and looked up who Perotin was! (My apologies if that brings back memories of trying to stay awake while reading *A History of Western Music* by Donald J. Grout). Perhaps the most fun of all was singing and snapping our fingers to the theme from the Addams Family.

May the joy of PipeScreams inspire all our work as we move into our busiest two months of the year,

Bradley Swope, Dean

Calendar of Area Events 2017-18

(Clearwater Chapter events)

November 3,4,5	Florida Orchestra 50th Birthday featuring Beethoven, Tchaikovsky and Bartok
Sunday, November 5 4:00 p.m.	Schubert Mass No.6 in E Flat Tampa Oratorio Singers at Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church, Tampa
Sunday, November 12 3:00 p.m.	“A Jazz Tribute to Veterans” Al Downing AllStars with Synia Carroll Peace Memorial Presbyterian, Clearwater
Sunday, November 19 2:00 p.m.	Four Concertos by J.S. Bach Sykes Chapel, University of Tampa
Sunday, December 3 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.	Holiday Concert Sykes Chapel, University of Tampa
Sunday, December 10 3:00 p.m.	“Holiday Magic” Singers from St. Petersburg Opera Company Peace Memorial Presbyterian, Clearwater
Sunday, December 10 4:00 p.m.	“Ring, Sing, Mingle” Five Handbell Choirs of Northwood Presbyterian, Clearwater
Sunday, December 10—6:00 p.m. Monday, December 11—7:00 p.m.	Handel’s <i>Messiah</i> (Christmas portion) Tampa Oratorio Singers Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church, Tampa
Sunday, December 17 3:00 p.m.	A Renaissance Christmas with Florida Pro Musica Prince of Peace Lutheran, Largo
December 21,22,23	Handel’s <i>Messiah</i> —FL Orchestra and Master Chorale
Wednesday, December 27 6:00 p.m.	Christmas Dinner Bon Appetit, Dunedin
January 14, 2018 2:00 p.m.	Young Artist’s Recital: Jacob Hofeling, Organist Church of the Ascension, Clearwater
Sunday, February 11 2:00 p.m.	Paul Jacobs, Organist Sykes Chapel, University of Tampa
Sunday, February 11 5:00 p.m.	Concert Artist Series: Michael Hey, Organist Cathedral Church of St. Peter, St. Petersburg
February 17 9:00-Noon	Saturday Handbell Workshop with Rick Holdsworth Trinity Presbyterian Church, Clearwater
February 18 3:00 p.m.	Sunday concert by <i>Ring Sarasota!</i> Prince of Peace Lutheran, Largo
Monday, March 5 6:00 p.m.	Dinner and Sharing Time (rescheduled September event) Calvary Episcopal Church, Indian Rocks Beach
Sunday, March 11 3:00 p.m.	Greg Zelek, Organist Prince of Peace Lutheran, Largo
Tuesday, April 17 7:00 p.m.	Tri-Chapter recital/dinner “Pedals, Pipes and Pinot” Palladium, St. Petersburg
Sunday, May 6 6:00 p.m.	Chapter Banquet and Installation of Officers Alfano’s Restaurant, Largo

Sharing Time/Dinner

(Rescheduled September program)

Monday, March 5, 2018

6:00 p.m. Dinner

7:00 Sharing Time

Calvary Episcopal Church

1615 1st Street, Indian Rocks Beach

Bring organ music, choral music to play/sing—or speak on other topics on interest like creative solutions to performance problems in particular choir or organ works. Matthew Burke is the host and you may contact him about the details.

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Handbell “Master Class” Workshop

In conjunction with the Sunday, February 18, 2018 concert by Ring Sarasota!, the chapter will host a Saturday workshop on Saturday morning, February 17 at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Clearwater.

Ring Sarasota’s founding artistic director and conductor, Rick Holdsworth will be with us from 9:30 to Noon to work with and gently critique our bell choirs. Rather than our choirs learning new numbers to play in a massed ring event, each choir participating will ring with the others as the audience. Mr. Holdsworth will then offer suggestions and work with each choir individually.

There will be one 5-octave set of bells set up so there is no need for each group to bring bells. Just play a piece that your choir already knows.

This is a different concept but should be valuable and certainly less work for the groups attending—plus no special music to purchase.

If you are willing to bring your choir, or have any questions, contact Tom Huffman (727) 409-8726 or hufftom@aol.com



Rick Holdsworth