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

Next Board Meeting:

Wednesday, Nov. 6—9:00 a.m.

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Thanks to some great publicity in the *Tampa Bay Times* Weekend edition, both organ events this past weekend were blessed with excellent attendance. Almost 200 people enjoyed Saturday's Clearwater Chapter program featuring Tom Hoehn in a performance of Chaplin's award winning silent film, "The Circus." On Sunday at St. Andrew's in Tampa, there were at least 100 who came out to hear Ryan Hebert give a recital for the 25th Anniversary of the Fisk, Opus 105.

"The Circus" is a film that Tom has accompanied many times, and it showed in a masterful performance that featured Chaplin's own song, "Swing, Little Girl" at all the romantic spots throughout the story. The organ music was perfectly matched to the movie for the entire 75 minutes of the film, yet Tom never drew attention to himself during the performance, which is the hallmark of a true artist.

Dr. Hebert did an excellent job showing both the beauty and the strength of the Fisk organ's individual ranks and choruses. I knew the Bach and Buxtehude would sound fantastic, but I was so pleasantly surprised by the success of the Vierne on an instrument that no one would consider ideal for French Romantic organ music. Ryan came up with some creative solutions, like playing the 16 foot Dulcian up an octave to create a lovely 8 foot stop. And of course, the instrument excels at supporting the human voice, so it was a joy that he included a congregational hymn.

Finally, we are blessed in Tampa Bay with one of the best newspapers that still survives in this country. I am grateful for their outstanding coverage of The Florida Orchestra and other music and arts events. I know many persons no longer subscribe to the newspaper, but I hope that those of us who are concerned about the survival of our profession would consider how much we benefit from a newspaper with a strong focus on fine arts.

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Calendar of Area Events

(Clearwater Chapter events highlighted)

Sunday, October 13 3:00 p.m.	"Boundlessly Beautiful Brahms" Peace Memorial Presbyterian, Clearwater Michael Klotz, Viola; Grigorios Zamparas, Piano
Tuesday, October 22 7:00 p.m.	Organ Workshop on registration and MIDI by Cathy Blanchard St. Catherine of Sienna Catholic, Clearwater
Sunday, October 27 3:00 p.m.	Christopher Gage, Organ Prince of Peace Lutheran, Largo
Monday, October 28 7:00 p.m.	Pipescreams First Presbyterian, Dunedin
Sunday, November 10 3:00 p.m.	"Fall Back in Love" Peace Memorial Presbyterian, Clearwater Jazz Combo Swing State
November 17, 19, 24	Tampa Bay Symphony (check website: tampabaysymphony.com) Mark Sforzini, Music Director Featuring Ellen dePasquale, Violin
Saturday, November 23 1:00 p.m.	Chapter Picnic Philippe Park, Safety Harbor at Shelter #8
Wednesday, December 4 7:00 p.m.	31st Annual Wallace Gause Memorial Concert First United Methodist, Clearwater Featuring Pinellas Youth Symphony, Largo HS Madrigal Singers East Lake HS Madrigal Singers, First UMC Chancel Choir
Sunday, December 8 3:00 p.m.	"Holiday Hits & Handel" Peace Memorial Presbyterian, Clearwater Tampa Oratorio Singers; Nancy Callahan, Director
Sunday, December 8 4:00 p.m.	"Ring, Sing and Mingle" Northwood Presbyterian Church, Clearwater Holiday music by the church's five handbell choirs
Sunday, December 15 7:00 p.m.	Festival of Lessons & Carols Prince of Peace Lutheran, Largo (free tickets are required, call 727 585-9969)
Sunday, December 29 5:00 p.m.	Chapter Christmas Gathering/Dinner Home of Bobbie Hoopes, 1013 Woodside Dr., Clearwater

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PIPESCREAMS

Monday, October 28, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

(A hauntingly boo-ti-ful program of music!)

Presented at First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin (455 Scotland Street)

by

The Clearwater Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

The program will be followed by a reception in Hager Hall

Call Steve Allen, host, to schedule your piece and practice times.

Costumes are encouraged for players and audience, but optional.

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)	
Cheryl Brouette	(727) 453-0317	O
Brent Douglas	(727) 459-7025	O, O/D
Grayce Hillman	(727) 642-7322	O, O/D, V
Roberta Hoopes	(727) 442-8333	D
Matt Lancaster	(727) 313-5129	O
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Tom Huffman	(727) 409-8726	O, O/D



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Local interest: check pp. 66-69 for member Joe Wies-singer's Study Tour to France; p. 97 recital listing of Tom Huffman.

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