

The American Guild of Organists

Windline—April 2022

Clearwater (FL) Chapter

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Dr. Shawn Thomas, Dean
Thomas D. Huffman, *Windline* Editor

Banquet and Installation of Officers

Sunday, April 24—5:30 p.m.

St. Luke's United Methodist Church

4444 5th Ave., N.

St. Petersburg

The meal is provided by the chapter at no charge—RSVP to Peggy BeVille by April 20

(bevillep@gmail.com or text 727 403 8166)

From the Dean:

First, a heartfelt thanks to all who supported our Lenten noonday recital series. I believe it was a rewarding venture for performers, hosts, and audience....five churches, eight organists, an average audience of 40 people, and more than \$600 in contributions to the chapter. Thank you! The organ is alive and well in Pinellas county!

April 24 is our spring banquet and installation. We will gather for a meal at St. Luke's UMC and give thanks to outgoing board members Carol Alexander and Mark Prater. We will then install new board members Jan Highsmith and Bradley Swope. The meal is provided by the chapter, but please RSVP to Peggy BeVille.

Finally, as we look toward the fall, your board will gather in June to begin planning our 2022-2023 calendar of events. If there are events you enjoyed or found fulfilling in years past, please let a board member know or shoot me an email. (shawn@poplargo.org)

(Details from April 2 Trumpet-Organ workshop coming in May *Windline*)



Shawn Thomas, Dean



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\$100.00 or best offer

AGO specifications, Electronic

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Calendar

(Chapter programs in **bold**)

Friday/Sunday April 1,3 Master Chorale: Faure's *Requiem*
Friday at First Presbyterian, St. Petersburg—8:00 p.m. (\$25.00)
Sunday at Sykes Chapel, University of Tampa—2:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 2 Workshop with the Seipp/Sheets
Trumpet and Organ Duo—11:00 a.m.

Sunday, April 3 Seipp/Sheets Concert—3:00 p.m.
Prince of Peace Lutheran, Largo

Tuesday, April 5 Lenten Concert
Thomas D. Huffman, Organ
First United Methodist Church, Clearwater—12:00 noon

Sunday, April 10 Tampa Oratorio Singers—*Messiah, Parts II & III*
Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church, Tampa—4:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 24 Chapter Banquet and Installation of Officers
St. Luke's UMC, St. Petersburg—5:30 p.m.
RSVP by April 20 to Peggy Beville (bevillep@gmail.com)

May 13-15 Florida Orchestra and Master Chorale—Mozart *Requiem*
Straz, 8 p.m.; Mahaffey, 8 p.m.; REH, 7:30 p.m.

May 21,22 Florida Orchestra—Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 5*
Mahaffey, 8:00 p.m.; REH, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 22 Mission Festival Concert
Organists Thomas D. Huffman, David Lewicki, Jack Rain
with Forest Hills Adult Choir
Forest Hills Presbyterian, Tampa—3:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 22 Tampa Oratorio Singers—Sound of Music Fundraiser
Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church, Tampa—6:00 p.m. (\$50.00)

University of Florida

Sacred Music Workshop

May 1-3, 2022

with

Trey Clegg

Organist and Director of Choirs, First Congregational Church, Atlanta

Founder & Director, the Trey Clegg Singers

Instructor, Spelman College



Led by Professor of Music Dr. Laura Ellis

Highlights will include:

Conducting: from Professional to Volunteer Choir, Lessons from working in the church

Choral Reading Session, Organ Masterclass

Carillon and Organ Recitals by emerging young artists

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Registration is only \$75.00 before April 15.

Chapter Officers—A Closer Look



*Each issue of The Windline will include a brief biographical sketch of one of our Clearwater Chapter Officers. This month's focus is on **Treasurer, Robert L. Booth "Bob"***

Music has always been an interest of mine as my grandparents and parents encouraged this and provided piano lessons when I was a child. Being a church member provided the distinct sound of the organ and a love sprung from that. My first real experience was working with Terry Charles when the Kirk of Dunedin was but a slab of concrete and the "Grand Duchess" was a dream in progress. From walking miles creating cables, to soldering ducting and lifting heavy pipes, a dream was coming true.

While not an organist, my love of the instrument told me that I should support the AGO and so I began attending meetings and joined. As the local Treasurer, this position has placed me in touch with those that support the organization, and given me an opportunity to personally reach out and thank those through a note of appreciation.

April 2 Workshop with Seipp/Sheets Duo at Prince of Peace Lutheran



Workshop attendees with special guest, Elizabeth George, Chief Membership Officer from AGO Headquarters and presenters Chuck Seipp, Trumpet and Randall Sheets, Organ.

Reception spread with thanks to Sub Dean, Timothy Belk.



Clearwater AGO 2021-2022 Officers

DEAN:

Shawn Thomas

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BOARD MEMBERS

Carol Alexander (2022)

Mark Prater, AAGO, ChM (2022)

Bobbie Hoopes (2023)

Tom Hoehn (2023)

Linda Pointer (2024)

Brandon Vennink (2024)

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Tom Huffman, Chair

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SUB-DEAN:

Timothy Belk

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Peggy BeVille

TREASURER:

Bob Booth

PLACEMENT

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Remember to cast your vote for National Officers. Votes must be received by April 30. AGO members should have already received a ballot by email.

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 calling (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.

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Grayce Hillman	(727) 642-7322 O, O/D, V
Roberta Hoopes	(727) 560-3962 D
Dr. Linda Pointer	(727) 441-1099 O, O/D
Dr. Sandra Rogers	(727) 434-3453 O, O/D, V
Ron Turner	(727) 772-3268 O, O/D

AVAILABLE FOR EVENTS—NOT SUNDAY MORNING

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Peggy BeVille	(727) 726-8457 O
	(727) 403-8166 (cell)
Cheryl Brouette	(727) 453-0317 O
Tom Huffman	(727) 409-8726 O, O/D