



COLUMBIA RIVER CLARION

Columbia River Theatre Organ Society

2011 Holiday Party

On a crisp December afternoon members from both CRTOS and OCATOS gathered in the home studio of Bob MacNeur to celebrate the holiday and enjoy some fine food and musical entertainment. The day featured the talents of local celebrities Donna Parker and Jonas Nordwall as well as the piano, organ, and vocal talents of Hannah Feely. Below is a photo journal of that fine afternoon.



Food, food and more food! Paul Tichy, our web designer, developed a database for this event that allowed attendees to select their potluck dish from a list. Once an item was selected, the option disappeared so the next person was sure to bring something different from the list. This worked like a charm guaranteeing we had a large variety of food to choose from!

Hannah Feely (daughter of local organist and Theatre Organ Journal co-editor Don Feely) provided a constant flow of holiday cheer on the Steinway while we ate our incredible dinner and visited amongst ourselves.



Following our dinner, Jonas Nordwall and Donna Parker proceeded to wow us with piano/organ/keyboard arrangements of both traditional as well as unconventional Christmas and holiday songs. Sometimes duets, sometimes solos. There were no dull moments in this program.

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CRTOS November Board Meeting Minutes

November 22, 2011

President Jack Powers called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board members present: Max Brown, Mike Bryant, Ron Deamer, Rob Kingdom, Gary Nelson, Jack Powers, Paul Tichy. Board members absent: Richard Lawson, Rick Parks. Guests present: Carol Brown, Bob MacNeur.

A quorum was declared.

Minutes of the October 25 board meeting were approved as distributed. Ron Deamer presented the treasurer's report.

OLD BUSINESS

CRTOS has received the donation of a Conn 651 from Paul Lambertson. Jack Powers and Mike Bryant moved the organ from Mr. Lambertson's home to Bob MacNeur's studio, where it will be serviced. At present, the complex channel keying is very noisy (likely from lack of use) and there is no audio on the Tibia channel Leslie. Following repairs, the organ will be donated to a deserving student.

The diaphone chests for the Hollywood have been completed and reassembled. One chest will be on display (with pipes!) for the party.

Paul Tichy has set up a web registration/RSVP page on the CRTOS website

where members may sign up for the party and select the food items to bring. Jack Powers will monitor the registrations, and Carol Brown will handle confirmations during the week prior to the party.

Further discussion of the strategic plan is deferred until the January, 2012 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Oregon Chapter and CRTOS have received a joint donation of the remainder of the pipe organ components from the estate of the late Dale Haskin, presently located in the former Bob White Theatre on Foster Road in Portland. One work party has been held, and we estimate it will require two to three more to recover all the components. The parts will be moved to storage, inventoried, and catalogued prior to disposal. As part of the donation, we must obtain an independent appraisal for the estate.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

No board meeting will be held in December. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Mike Bryant
Secretary

For Sale - Make Offer

Make offer: CONN 650-3 Suitable for use in building a Virtual Theatre Organ. Contact: Gary Nelson 360-256-7382, abbfdoc@comcast.net

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Wind Supply

2011 Holiday Party

I hope you enjoyed plentiful good food, great music, and fine company at our party on Dec. 18. Donna Parker and Jonas Nordwall gave a splendid concert with help from Hannah Feely, who also sang and played the piano during dinner. On display among the beautiful holiday decorations was a sample of the craftsmanship that will go into the Beverly Ruth Nelson Memorial Organ at the Hollywood Theatre, a chest full of rebuilt diaphones.

Many people worked hard to make this event a success, too many to name here. However, special recognition goes to host Bob MacNeur, to the artists, and to Rose City Organ Builders (Chris Nordwall) and Sherman Clay (Terry Robson) for providing instruments, and to Master of Ceremonies Mike Bryant.

Open Console Returns

November's Open Console at the Hollywood was cancelled due to upgrade work there, as was December's due to other work in progress. We expect to have our audio system working (and improved) in time for the January 18 event, which is scheduled for 10:15-Noon (3rd Wednesday each month).

2011 Wrap-Up

This has been a very busy year for CRTOS, and I would like to thank the Board of Directors and everyone who worked behind the scenes to promote the organization and its mission (you know who you are!). Here are some of this year's accomplishments, in no particular order:

- Summer & Holiday Parties*
- Comprehensive proposal for a Silent Film Festival*
- New liability insurance*
- King Of Kings silent film presentation*
- Diaphone renovation*
- sale of surplus parts for operating funds*
- Student Silent Film Festival*
- Improvements to the Beverly Ruth Nelson Memorial Organ*
- Operating contract proposed to Hollywood Theatre*
- A great Clarion newsletter every month*
- A great web site with very helpful administrative aids*
- A major acquisition of organ parts*

Happy holidays, thanks again to our very dedicated members, and keep the music playing!

Jack Powers

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Hannah Feely surprised us all with an organ solo mid-show as well. She also performed a vocal number during the show. She is truly a budding talent all the way around!



Earlier this year, CRTOS received a donation of a Conn 651 from Paul Lambertson. It was decided that this instrument should be presented to a worthy student in need. The holiday party was the perfect time to present it to our own Doug Morgan.



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Upcoming Events

1/24/12 - CRTOS Board Meeting
Izzy's Restaurant at the Gateway
Shopping Center
1307 NE 102nd. Ave., Portland
7 PM (no-host dinner at 6:30)
*All CRTOS members are encouraged
to attend.*

1/25/12 - Open Console
The Hollywood Theatre
10:15 am - noon

2/3/12 - Open Console at CHS (OCATOS)
Cleveland High School
7 PM - 9:30 main auditorium

Newsletter Articles

Submit your stories, reviews and photos for
print!

*The Clarion always welcomes your stories and story ideas
for its pages. We need photos of events both past and present
to help illustrate our articles and reviews. If your photos are
digital, you can email them directly to newsletter@crtos.org.
Article submission deadline is the 5th of each month.*

The Columbia River Theatre Organ Society is a non-profit,
educational organization dedicated to the preservation of the
theatre organ and its music.



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