

MANASOTA THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

PIPE NOTES

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UPCOMING MTOS EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

**Sunday
November 20, 2011
2:00 P.M.
Danny McCollum**



**Christmas Lights
at Grace Baptist
December 8 – 28, 2011
(Live Music: Dec. 16, 17,
18, 23 & 25)**

January 15, 2012 2:30 P.M.
Jelani Eddington Concert

February 19, 2012 2:30 P.M.

**Clark Wilson Concert
Movie: *Spite Marriage***

March 18, 2012 2:30 P.M.
Dave Wickerham Concert

April 15, 2012 2:00 P.M.
Jim Reinhart

May 20, 2012 2:00 P.M.
MTOS Directors Present

PLEASE NOTE

Meeting Times: 2:00 P.M.

(Cookies & Iced Tea)

Announcements: 2:15 P.M.

Program: 2:30 – 3:30 P.M.

Open Console: 3:30 P.M. - ?

Concert Times: 2:30 P.M.

All artists have agreed to perform, but programs/artists are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.



**Come help us celebrate
Manasota Theatre Organ Society's
20th Birthday
Sunday, November 20, 2011 at 2:00 P.M.
Danny McCollum**

Please see Page 2 for more information.



*President's
Message*

Hello Everyone,

It was nice to see everyone at our October meeting. Ron Carter provided us with a very enjoyable mini-concert. We were even treated to a short Harold Lloyd silent film.

Danny McCollum will be our November artist. Danny is a 22 year old college student with a keen interest in theatre organ both as an artist and learning how theatre pipe organs work. He has an Allen organ in his own little studio in his back yard in Central Florida and is adding real pipe organ parts. Danny has been a student of our own member and friend Susan Cole-Shaw for more than six years. I have not seen him in person for a few years, but it has been fun for me to see his picture several times in *Theatre Organ* in various parts of the country at ATOS sponsored young theatre organ workshops. Danny has been learning from the best organists and builders in the world.

I have been busy at Grace Baptist Church helping to get the Christmas

light show ready. As most of you know, the light display has more than 500,000 lights on the outside which are choreographed to music, but the J. Tyson Forker Wurlitzer is often in the spotlight on the inside. Tom Hoehn will play live on five nights on December 16, 17, 18, 23 and 25. Tom will accompany the Laurel and Hardy silent film *Big Business* on the 16th at 7:00 P.M. And on the 23rd at 7:00 and 8:00 P.M. The organ playback system is used every night except on nights when there are services, for example, the Christmas Eve candlelight service.

If you have never heard my wife Joanne play, come to one of the church services. The Forker Wurlitzer is used along with the praise band. We had a guest speaker at Grace who said, "In all my years I have never heard an organ used with a praise band. It's wonderful." The calendar of events during the light display can be found at gracebaptistchurch.com.

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Happy Birthday, Manasota Theatre Organ Society

Treasurer's Report

As of **October 31, 2011** the following balances were reported by George Milburn, Treasurer:

FUND	<u>06/30/11</u>	<u>10/31/11</u>
Concert	\$3,000.00	\$3,100.72
General	20,804.28	5,000.00
Organ Maintenance	49,011.64	64,941.29
Piano Enhancement	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	\$72,815.92	\$73,042.01

Happy Birthday, to all members born in October

2 – Fred Menke	19 – Ken Clark
6 – Ken Double	20 – Dr. Jack Greer
7 – Joan Windecker	26 – Fred Windecker
17 – Carolyn Rector	27 – Robert Shapiro
17 - Donald Edwards	29 – George Milburn

Please notify me if your birthday has not been listed, or if it is incorrect.



Danny McCollum



Danny is a 22 year old college student, attending Lake Sumter Community College, as a Music Major.

He has also been a student for more than six years with our own member and friend, Susan Cole-Shaw.

Danny, in 2006, was awarded the *George Wright Memorial Scholar-*

ship and was also named *Theatre Organ Student of the Year* in 2007.

In 2008, he was chosen as one of three international finalists for the *Young Theatre Organist of the year* award.

He has been performing for 3 years and has won numerous talent competitions.

To All MTOS Members

If you have not paid your Membership Dues for this year, please complete the Membership Renewal Application that appeared in the September issue of Pipe Notes and give it, along with your dues, to Yvonne George at the November 20th meeting.

NAME TAGS

Name Tags can be purchased from Yvonne George. The regular pin is \$5.50 and the magnetic pin is \$8.00. Also, don't forget to wear your Name Tag to **ALL** events, including concerts!

President's Message, continued:

Please remember that you may purchase tickets for all three concerts at the November meeting. We will also have the *It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas* CD's with Tom Hoehn playing Christmas favorites on the Forker Wurlitzer, for \$5.00 each. They make wonderful gifts for your family and friends.

I look forward to seeing you on the 20th.

Chuck Pierson,
President

CONCERT TICKETS

(Special Pricing available only at the November MTOS Meeting)

ADVANCE TICKET SALES \$40.00 / ALL THREE CONCERTS

At the November meeting we will sell tickets for the three concert series for \$40.00 which will represent a savings of \$5.00 - \$14.00.



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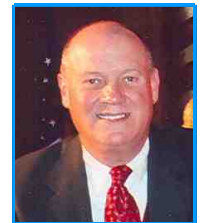
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MTOS bookmarks listing upcoming programs will be available at the November meeting, if you did not receive one.



Ken Double



John McCall

Sunday, December 11, 2011 at 5:00 P.M. Central Florida Theatre Organ Society Pinellas Park Auditorium

Ken Double, ATOS President, and **John McCall**, MTOS member, will be playing a joint program for the **Central Florida Theatre Organ Society (CFTOS)** at the Pinellas Park Auditorium on Sunday, December 11th at 5:00 P.M.

CFTOS has done a lot of work on the Wurlitzer.

The Final Dedication Concert will be on Sunday, December 11th at 5:00 P.M. with Ken Double and John McCall performing.

This will be one concert you won't want to miss. The organ sounds, performs and looks great. We are going all out to make this an event to remember. You won't want to miss it, so mark your calendars and plan to attend. Come experience the Magnificent Sounds of the Pinellas Park Theatre Pipe Organ.

Manasota Theatre Organ Society does not have a regular meeting in December, so this would be a great opportunity for our members to support CFTOS.

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