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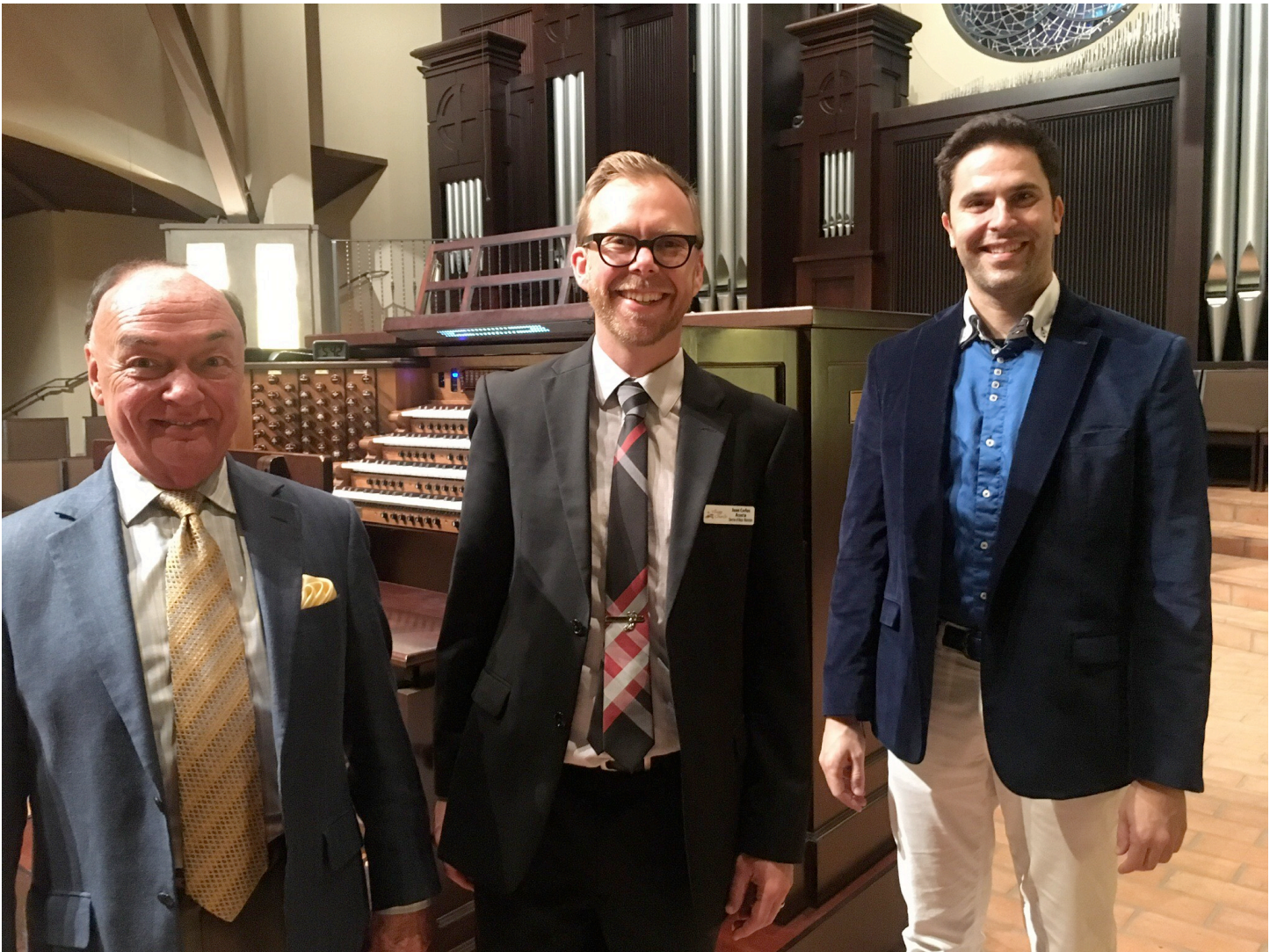
## **The NEWSLETTER for the AGO PALOMAR CHAPTER**

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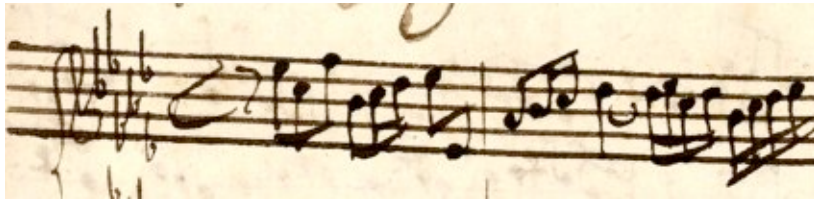
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AGO Palomar Chapter Program Committee co-Chairman Howard McCullough, The Village Community Presbyterian Church Director of Music Ministries Juan Carlos Acosta, and Virtuoso Organist Extraordinaire Raúl Prieto Ramírez (January 20, 2020).

# A Note from the Dean



Dear AGO Palomar Chapter Members,

Please join us for what promises to be an exciting and educational lecture/recital on “Organ Music for the New World” by member Dr. Emma Whitten on March 29. For more info, see page 3.

And also: by unanimous decision by the Palomar Chapter Board of Directors, the dinner for the June 8 Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers will be totally free! Please come join us for the festivities. See page 10.

Sincerely,



# Dr. Emma Whitten to Present Lecture-Recital



Sunday, March 29, 3:00 pm  
Emma Whitten, organist  
“Organ Music for the New World”  
Mission San Luis Rey  
4050 Mission Ave, Oceanside, CA 92057

Dr. Whitten presents a lecture-recital in the historic church of Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside, tracing early organ music of Spain and the Americas through to the present. Emma will perform works from Spain, Italy, Mexico, and the United States, including selections from the keyboard manuscript *"Sones mo Órgano"* discovered in the mission of San Rafael de Chiquitos, Bolivia. Composers include José de Torres, Domenico Zipoli, Manuel de Elías, Ramón Noble, and Pamela Decker. Emma will conclude with Hans-André Stamm's *Toccata Mexicana*, a festive toccata derived from Aztec drum rhythms, commissioned by the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City.

P. S. Emma will also perform at the Los Angeles President's Day Organ Festival at La Canada Presbyterian Church in Flintridge on February 17<sup>th</sup>. See flyer on page 8.

# Raúl Prieto Ramírez in Recital

San Diego Civic Organist Raúl Prieto Ramírez, in conjunction with the Palomar AGO Chapter and The Village Community Presbyterian Church in Rancho Santa Fe, performed a solo organ recital on January 19, 2020, at 4 pm. About one hundred persons attended, including six AGO Palomar Chapter members. Raúl performed J. S. Bach's *Prelude and Fugue in D* (BWV 532), Claude Debussy's *Clair de lune* from *Suite Bergamasque*, and two pieces by Franz Liszt: *Symphonic Poem Prometheus No. 5* (S. 99) and *Fantasia and Fugue on the chorale "Ad nos, ad salutarem undam"* (S. 259) from Meyerbeer's opera *Le Prophete*.

I thoroughly enjoyed Raúl's recital, which was played entirely from memory. The Liszt *Fantasia and Fugue* lasted at least 30 minutes. Such a tour de force for the organ. Everyone who attended appeared to me to share my enthusiasm for Raúl's talent and personality. My thanks go to AGO Palomar Chapter member Howard McCullough who contracted Raúl through Phillip Truckenbrod Concert Artists, LLC.

Since January 2018 Raúl is the San Diego Civic Organist and Spreckels Organ Society Artistic Director. On the Spreckels organ at Balboa Park he performs between 55 and 60 different concerts a year, most of which are entirely from memory. His performances have been described with words such as "sizzling", "iconoclastic", and "transcendent". Performing a wide-ranging classical and popular repertoire on the pipe organ with the flair and bravado of a matador, this Spanish master has an absolutely riveting way of entertaining general audiences of young and old, music experts and casual listeners, like remarkably few others.

After studies in Spain, Raúl moved to Stuttgart to study organ with Ludger Lohmann and, concurrently, piano with Leonid Sintsev at the Rimsky-Korsakov Conservatory in St. Petersburg. He also studied organ under Marie-Claire Alain, Guy Bovet, Eric Lebrun, Lionel Rogg, and Luigi Ferdinando Tagliavini. His compositions for chamber ensemble, pipe organ, and solo instruments have been broadcast throughout Spain and his concerto for organ and orchestra premiered in Barcelona. His transcriptions of Liszt's piano études and *Mephisto Waltz* and his interpretations of the music of Buxtehude, Bach, Franck, and Reger have been highly praised by audience and critics alike.

Raúl continues serves as the Artistic Director and Founder of the Barcelona Summer Organ Festival and Academy. Mr. Ramírez has been widely recorded and interviewed for radio and television in several European countries and in the U.S. His first two compact discs, on the Brilliant Classics label, were recorded at Milan Cathedral in Italy (music of Franck, Liszt, Reger, and Saint-Saëns) and at the Palau de la Música Catalana in Barcelona (music for piano and organ duet).

Henry Doktorski, Dean



# Education Notes

Submitted by Carol Graham, Education Chair

## Organ Scholarships Date/Information:

**When?** Sat, May 2 at 12:00 noon.

**Where?** House of Prayer Lutheran, 795 N. Rose St., Escondido

**For Whom?** Pianists (first year only) and Organists of all Ages.

Two-Manual and Pedal Schlicker organ Complete information and forms at

<http://agopalomar.org/organscholarships>.

Do you know of a person in your church who might be interested in learning to play the King of Instruments? Consider inviting young or older persons to watch you play, turn a page, pull a stop or play a Voluntary. Funds are available from our scholarship fund to give an honorarium for playing a part of the service. Contact Carol Graham to work out details [earlygram@gmail.com](mailto:earlygram@gmail.com).



Pipe Organ Encounters Camp (for ages 13-18) Information and Applications available at <http://agohq.org/education> Long Beach Chapter is hosting a camp June 28-July. Apply now to reserve a place [lbago.org](http://lbago.org).

The New School of Practical Church Music book by Charlotte Atkinson sales have netted nearly \$1,000.00 thus far for the Scholarship fund. A Great gift for your musical friends. Contact her [atkinsonfamily1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:atkinsonfamily1@sbcglobal.net) or Carol Graham [earlygram@gmail.com](mailto:earlygram@gmail.com).

## Member News

A Celebration of Life was held for Clementine (Tina) Colling, wife of Dr. Jerry Colling on January 18th at Carlsbad Community Church. Our chapter gave a Clementine Tangerine tree and plaque to Jerry which he has planted outside his office window. He appreciates the expressions of love and sympathy shown by chapter members.

Penny Klotz's husband Chuck has been seriously ill in the hospital for several months. Penny is spending her days there. Her email is [pennyhcm@gmail.com](mailto:pennyhcm@gmail.com).

Carol Graham, Education Chair [earlygram@gmail.com](mailto:earlygram@gmail.com)

# Charlotte's Web

A monthly column by Charlotte Atkinson

## Memorial Service for Tina Colling

On January 18 my grandson, Fred, and I attended the Memorial for my long time friend Clementine "Tina" Colling. It was held in the huge Worship Center of the Carlsbad Community Church. It was filled with hundreds of people who were celebrating the life of this great lady. Her children gave tender and beautiful talks about her, as did Jerry, her husband of 67 years, as well as some other people. Guests sat at tables and after the service a light luncheon was held. Carol Graham and I, with the help of my grandson made a framed photo card that featured a picture of the fruit from a Clementine fruit tree and a greeting from AGO. Carol and Bob purchased a beautiful Clementine tree and took it to the Colling's home. This is what we did representing all of you in AGO, Palomar Chapter. The Memorial was a unique and great time that I know Tina would have enjoyed and wanted for her Memorial. It was so good to be in such a positive atmosphere of love all around!



Personal note: The Worship Center is a huge building that sits on the corner in the downtown area of Carlsbad. In the long ago time a very small Community Church sat there, the first of this churches buildings. In about 1956 I moved to Carlsbad with Bill. I had been serving the La Jolla Presbyterian Church but wanted to be closer to my new home in Carlsbad. So for a little bit of time I was the organist in that small Community Church.

When Bill returned home after serving 4 years in active duty in the Air Force in Washington, England, Germany and Colorado we then had an opportunity to build a choir program at the Community Church in Vista. We worked there for about 10 years before being asked to do the same thing for the First Presbyterian Church in Oceanside. We accepted and built a very fine and extensive program which at one time included 4 vocal choirs, a handbell choir and the Year in Music and Drama Series which brought many famous organists, choirs and other musician and artists to the North County. Bill's memorial service a few years ago brought hundreds of people that filled that church.



MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC! There is still a very large amount of sheet music for organ waiting for you in my garage. With spring coming up maybe you are planning some pieces that are fresh and new to you. Maybe you can find just what you want in my garage! There is now a good piano in the garage so you can play and hear the music yourself. Remember that any music you get here is payable as a donation to the Palomar Chapter of AGO and will go to the Scholarship Fund! Just e-mail me and I will be happy to make time for you to browse. Use my e-mail address to contact me ----- [atkinsonfamily1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:atkinsonfamily1@sbcglobal.net).



# Presidents' Day Organ Festival

LOS ANGELES

Monday, February 17, 2020

Presented by the Los Angeles  
Chapter of the American  
Guild of Organists

## Schedule & Venues

9:00 am - 10:15 am

### Mt. Olive Lutheran Church

3561 Foothill Blvd, La Crescenta, CA 91214

Coffee & pastries served

Lecture by organbuilder Manuel Rosales and performance  
by Zeljko Marasovich begins at 9:30 am

10:30 am - Noon

### La Canada Congregational Church

1200 Foothill Blvd, La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91011

Performances by Aletheia Teague and Sean O'Neal

Lunch - Noon - 1:00 pm

### La Canada Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

626 Foothill Blvd, La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91011

Box lunch available with advance reservation (see below)

1:00 pm - 2:05 pm

### La Canada Presbyterian Church

626 Foothill Blvd, La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91011

Lecture by organbuilder Manuel Rosales, performances by  
Dr. Emma Whitten and Lynnette McGee

2:15 pm - 3:30 pm

### St. Bede Catholic Church

215 Foothill Blvd, La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91011

Lecture by organbuilder Manuel Rosales, performance by  
Joseph Ripka

Reception following the performances. Organ CD and  
music sale...prices start at \$1.



Zeljko Marasovich



Manuel Rosales



Aletheia Teague



Sean O'Neal



Emma Whitten



Lynnette Ball McGee



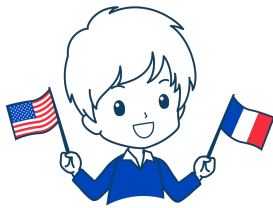
Joseph Ripka

Harris Organ at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church

All performances are free and open to the public.

Box lunch available for \$10 at the door with advance reservation.

Please reserve lunches at [www.LAorganfestival.com](http://www.LAorganfestival.com) by February 13.



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# Annual Dinner and Installation of Board Members



Our Annual Dinner and Installation of Board Members has been changed from Mimi's Café in Oceanside to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1087 W. Country Club Lane, Escondido, 92026. Our June 8, Monday evening 6 pm dinner will be catered by Phil's BBQ, and is free to all Chapter members and spouses/partners. Come and socialize with your fellow organists and organ lovers! An EVITE will be sent as the date gets closer. You can also RSVP to Bonnie Rex at [refamily@roadrunner.com](mailto:refamily@roadrunner.com). Please Save the Date June 8th!



# 2019-2020 Palomar Chapter Calendar

**Sunday, September 15, 4:00 pm:** Kick-Off Potluck Dinner, Single-Malt Scotch Whisky Tasting, and Light Entertainment by members at Charlotte Atkinson's home at 45922 Gold Mine Drive, Temecula, 92592.

**Sunday, October 13, 4:00 pm:** Concert and Dinner Scholarship Fundraiser at Trinity Episcopal Church, 845 Chestnut Street, Escondido, 92025. Original organ works will be performed by some of our finest organists and students. The impressive Massed Choir, conducted by Kapellmeister David Lewis, will also perform.

**Saturday, November 23, 4:00 pm:** Recital by Henry Doktorski at House of Prayer Lutheran Church, 795 N. Rose Street, Escondido, California 92027. Henry will play the first half of the program on the church's 1989 two-manual and pedal Schlicker organ. The second half will feature his 1979 Victoria accordion.

**Sunday, November 24, 3:30 pm:** Recital by Dr. Michael Munson, organist, at First United Methodist Church, 341 South Kalmia Street, Escondido, 92025.

**Sunday, January 19, 4:00 pm:** Solo Organ Recital by Raúl Prieto Ramírez, San Diego Civic Organist, at The Village Community Presbyterian Church, 6225 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 92067.

**Sunday, March 29, 3:00 pm:** Presentation by Dr. Emma Whitten titled "Organ Music for the New World: Music from Spain and Mexico from the Baroque to the Present" at Mission San Luis Rey, 4050 Mission Ave, Oceanside, CA 92057

**Sunday, May 3, 4:00 pm:** Members Recital on the three-manual and pedal Ken Simpson pipe organ (with Rodgers electronic enhancements) at Oceanside First Presbyterian Church at 2001 South El Camino Real, Oceanside, CA 92054.

**Monday, June 8, 6:00 pm:** Dinner and Installation of New Officers at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1087 W. Country Club Lane, Escondido, 92026.

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