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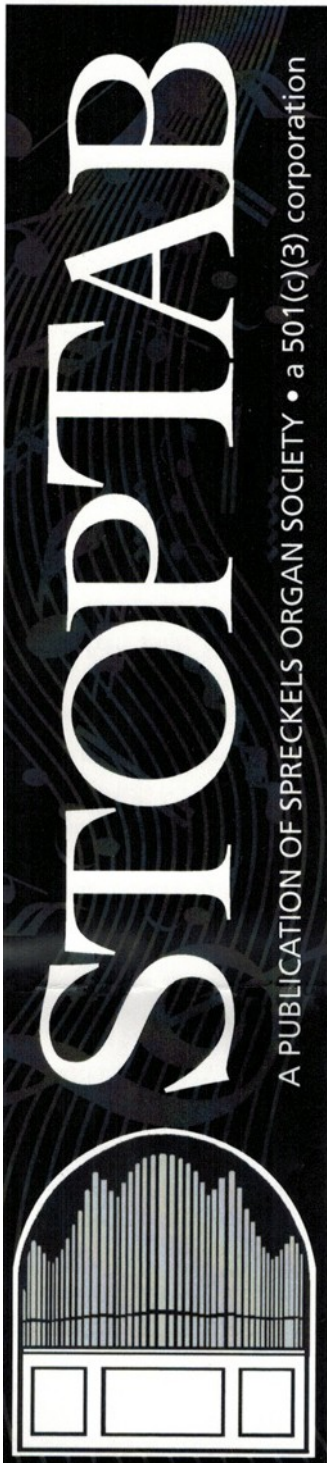
**Family Festival Day coming
on Halloween weekend!
Sunday October 27**

**Coming soon to your computer:
Live Sunday Concerts!**

Better wireless connectivity is now available in the Organ Pavilion, announced here at a late August news conference. At podium, the Balboa Park Conservancy's Carol Chang thanks Todd Gloria (at right) and Balboa Park Online Collaborative's Jason Quinn (standing near podium, at left). The new bandwidth, available for any wireless device, makes possible a live video feed. Beginning December 1, Sunday concerts will be webcast live online for viewers anywhere in the world. For the link, see www.sosorgan.org.



On Sunday, December 1, Dr. Carol Williams will play the Spreckels Organ for five solid hours in a special expanded concert to benefit the American Red Cross. Please come and support this great cause!



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Expansion Report
**Please Pledge
By December 1**

So far, more than \$90,000 has been contributed to the Drive to 5,000 pipes – the campaign to make the organ once more the world's largest outdoor organ.

Completing this musical addition in time for the 100th birthday of the Spreckels Organ will give the instrument a deeper voice, sweeter strings, and more versatility than ever before.

Stage One -- the Centennial Tuba rank, valued at \$75,000 -- has been funded and will be installed in time for the Centennial.

There are 48 pipes left to go in order to complete the Gamba and Gamba Celeste ranks which comprise "Stage Two" of the Drive to 5,000 pipes.

In order to have the Gamba and Gamba Celeste ranks installed in time for the 100th Birthday Concert on December 31, 2014, the Society is seeking funding by December 1.

Centennial Update - Sept 14, 2013

Link to coverage in *Union Tribune*:
<http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2013/sep/14/balboa-park-centennial/>
More information is available at www.balboapark2015.org

It was a magnificent summer of organ concerts under the stars.
See a montage of photos by Bob Lang on Page 3.



Individual pipes range in value from \$148 to \$883. If you have not yet made a pledge in support of a new pipe for the Spreckels Organ, please examine the chart online and choose the pipe or pipes that you can support.

Your support today will ensure the best possible voice for the Spreckels Organ in 2015's Centennial Celebration!



Dear Fellow Members of the
Spreckels Organ Society,

I hope you had a chance to come out to the organ pavilion and enjoy one of the ten excellent concerts on Monday nights this summer during the International Summer Organ Festival. From Carol Williams' exciting opening and closing concerts, to Bob Plimpton's tribute to Robert Elmore, to the jazz of Barbara Dennerlein, and the ever-popular "Movie Night" with the irrepressible Dennis James, it was a summer to remember and cherish.

And, of course, all summer long our hard-working volunteers were not just supporting the many facets of our Monday night concerts, but also the weekly Sunday afternoon concerts. It was a lot of work, but together we made it happen! Perhaps you would like to help out with the concerts coming up this fall? We would love to add your name to the list of volunteer greeters and gift shop operators. Just give Ross a call in the SOS office, and he will pass your name on to our terrific volunteer coordinator, Andrea Card.

As we head into the final quarter of 2013, we are good shape to make our donation goals for the year, and we are in striking distance of completing the funding for the second stage of the "Drive to 5000." With a little more help from you, we should be able to add not just the "Centennial Tuba" rank of pipes, but also the double-rank of "Gamba and Gamba/Celeste" pipes, in time for our 100th birthday party on Dec. 31, 2014. If you have already contributed, thank you so much! If you are considering a donation, now would be an excellent time.

I hope you enjoy your autumn. I look forward to seeing many of you at the organ pavilion on Sundays, and at our Holiday Gala and Fundraiser on December 8, at the Admiral Kidd Club.

Let's make it happen!

George Hardy, President

Hal Doerr Honored

The annual membership meeting on July 8 included a presentation of the Volunteer of the Year award to Hal Doerr, supporter and founder of the Spreckels Organ Society. Hal will also be honored by the Friends of Balboa Park for his work on behalf of the Spreckels Organ at an October 29 luncheon. Tickets are available at:
https://www.d2g-online.com/fobp/reg_tickets.cgi?event=1



Volunteers Needed! ...Be Part of the Expert Team

Several key posts are open for photography, audio-visual, and social media. The time commitment would be at least two Sunday afternoons per month from 12:30 to 3:30 pm.

The Society is also seeking a coordinator for the summer festival refreshment operation, work commencing June 2014. The time commitment for this position is Monday evenings in summer from 4 to 10 p.m. plus 2 hours per week offsite.

If you have skills or would welcome training in any of these fields, please contact Ross Porter at 619-702-8138. All volunteers are welcome! Ask a greeter or gift shop attendant at any concert for more information.

Dear Musical Friends,

After a wonderful Summer Organ Festival, we are now planning much for next year and, of course, the Centennial Year. Things are busy but that is great.

On the agenda in the next few months will be the live streaming of the 2 pm Sunday concerts. Please keep an eye on the Spreckels website as we will post the official kick off date for this.

So, wherever you are, you will be able to see a Sunday concert - the world of technology is amazing.

During September, I am on tour around this country and the United Kingdom. How I love to travel! To Scotland with the fine organ in Caird Hall, Dundee. Then down to Lancaster Town Hall and after this, a few concerts in the South. A visit with my Mum, catch up with some friends and some good old British pub grub. (Amazingly, my hubby Kerry loves haggis - not for me.)

I have been working hard in the composition sphere - my first work *Twilight, Op. 3*, is now available. And, "Major Something, Non Fat Latte!", *Op. 4*, are available at my website: www.melcot.com

Plus, our latest TourBus DVD to St. Paul's Cathedral, San Diego is now available. Here we highlighted the Skinner rebuild by Quimby; filmed Daniel Roth's' concert, captured part of the spectacular St. George's Day Service and much more.

Bye for now.

Dr. Carol



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Montage Photos, clockwise from top: Bill Magee on guitar as Carol Williams plays; Rising Stars Annelle Gregory (violin) and Daryl Robinson; Suzy Webster plays organ to accompany Dennis James on theremin; the House of Scotland Pipe Band; Dr. Carol Williams, Kengo Ito on marimba; Wayne and Cheryl Seppala; Keith Hearnshaw in musical vest. At center: San Diego's Daniel Jackson with Germany's Barbara Dennerlein. At far right, Dennis James plays on Silent Movie Night featuring Rudolph Valentino in *The Eagle*.

Bring the Family on Sunday, October 27!
The next Family Festival Day at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion is October 27, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. The day includes the traditional 2 pm Sunday afternoon concert, with exciting additions including:
- Young organist joining Jared Jacobsen in playing the Spreckels Organ
- Performance by the San Diego Children's Choir
- Onstage and backstage access for kids of all ages after the concert
- Pre-concert activities including Hula Hoops
- Halloween Costumes welcome!
- Activity tables include representatives of the San Diego Civic Youth Ballet, San Diego Humane Society, San Diego Choristers Guild, and others.
Bring the family to this fun afternoon event -- it's free like all Sunday concerts.

A Summer to Remember
More than 22,000 people attended the ten summer concerts of the 2013 International Summer Organ Festival, enjoying some of the finest music ever heard on the great Spreckels Organ. Photographer Bob Lang captured magic moments that you can see online. A few of the highlights are pictured here.

Each of the season's concerts was introduced by a special round of playing from the carillon in the California Tower. The finale concert included a televised duet between the carillon organ, played by Civic Organist Carol Williams and City Carillonneur Gina Seashore (right).



Below, the annual presentation of the Spreckels Organ Society Scholarships. The winners are (left to right): Suzy Webster (1st Place), Ben Kazules (2nd Place) and Trinity Schulz (3rd Place), with Leslie Wolf Robb and George Hardy.

