

PACIFIC CAN-AM

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Chapter membership currently stands at 54 individuals and a total of 72 family members. Membership numbers remain stable. Four meetings a year are held, usually consisting of an open house, a potluck dinner, a demonstration, workshop, or performance, and a mart. Recent locations have been Blaine, WA (you can see Canada from there), Federal Way, WA, Seattle and West Seattle, WA. Members reside in the Pacific Northwest, including British Columbia, Canada. A special event in August, 2008 was a joint automatic music festival with the Carousel Organ Association of America held in Washington's Bavarian Village, Leavenworth. This was a hands-on event, with demonstrations of a wide variety of automatic instruments including a player piano which was pumped by young and old members of the public. Participating members deserve endurance awards, as record-setting temperatures of over 100 degrees greeted each day of the three day festival.

Chapter funds are stable and facilitate the projects and meetings of the chapter. The current fund balance is approximately \$6,000. Kurt Morrison continues to oversee the maintenance and demonstration of the Knabe Ampico grand at the Paramount Theatre in Seattle, consisting of about 10 events a month. Mark Smithberg and Ron Babb are facilitating the foot-pumper restoration project for the Museum of The Radio and Electricity in Bellingham, WA. This project has been on hold for awhile as the museum prepares the site for the piano to be a permanent display/demonstration item. Dan Brown and Ron Babb completed work at the Buckley Historical Museum to make their Pianola and Edison phonograph functional for demonstrations.

The chapter was saddened by the loss of one of our founding members, Maury Willyard. He had been able to attend some meetings in 2008 despite his illness and had always been an active and involved member.

Submitted by Dan Brown, Board Representative, Spokane, WA