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Letter from the Dean

August 25, 2004

Hello Friends -

Welcome back to another exciting season of music making! Hopefully the summer months were productive and refreshing and we are all ready to plunge into the new church year with increased vigor and imagination. The Guild is here for you, so do take advantage of the resources available – newsletter, web site, magazine, workshops, conversations with colleagues. And if there is something that needs to happen, bring it to the attention of the board.

Our convention continues to be a major priority for this season. In fact, I've taken a leave of absence from my teaching job to be able to immerse myself in it. But on the other side, it really is exciting and hopefully it isn't going to be a burden as much as an opportunity. Still, since so many of us are spending so much time on it, our other programs for the year will be fewer and less labor intensive than in the past.

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Our two fall programs are things we've done before and done well. The first is a party (How could you go wrong?) with pot luck at the dean's house on Saturday, September 18. See you around 4:00 PM. In case of inclement weather, there will be a phone message on my answering machine at 845-454-7150, and the festivities will be moved to Susan Guse's home. See directions to both locations below.

Our second event will be the Pedals Pipes and Pizza gatherings for piano students on November 6. Please consider lining up prospective candidates. It's always a fun time. This year we will again have two locations: 1) Union Presbyterian Church in Balmville, hosted by Margaret Small, and 2) Poughkeepsie Methodist Church, hosted by Nancy Harle and Gregory Citarella. Thank you all for your willingness to continue this one.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 18th. Good luck with that first choir rehearsal, and keep in touch.



Directions to John Sullivan's House

From Poughkeepsie and points West:

Take the Mid Hudson Bridge and stay on Rts. 44/55 through the City of Poughkeepsie. Watch for signs for Vassar College. At the next light, where 44 and 55 split, bear RIGHT at the fork, remaining on Rte. 55. Continue for about 1-1/2 to 2 miles, staying in the center or left lane. When the road narrows to two lanes, you have passed through the Noxon Road intersection. In about 1/2 mile, having passed the LaGrange firehouse, turn LEFT onto Vail Road. Continue 1/2 mile. Carol Drive is on the LEFT side. John's house (#8) is the fourth house on the right. In case of inclement weather, there will be a phone message on the answering machine at 454-7150, and the festivities will be moved to Susan Guse's home.

Directions to Susan Guse's House

From Newburgh and points South:

From I-84, take Rt. 9 north about 3.5 miles. Turn RIGHT on County Rte 28 (Old Hopewell Road). (*Landmarks: At the intersection of Rt 9 and Old Hopewell there is a 7-11 Store on the N/E corner; Wappingers Toyota & the old La Fonda del Sol restaurant on the N/W corner; Hark office complex on the S/W corner, and an out of business gas station building on the S/E corner.*)

Follow Old Hopewell Road east about 3 miles to the traffic light at All Angels Hill Road. Continue straight on Old Hopewell Road past the horse farm on the left. Turn LEFT onto Marges Way (the first left turn after the traffic light). Susan's house is the seventh one on the left (#53) - a white colonial with blue trim.

From Poughkeepsie and points North:

Take Rt. 9 south. After you pass the Poughkeepsie Galleria Mall, continue for about 3.5 miles. Turn LEFT on County Rte 28 (Old Hopewell Road). Then proceed as above.

Organs Available – Free

We have received word about two electronic parlor organs that are available “free to a good home.”

- 2-Manual Viscount model 310 organ with 13 pedals – call Jean Bocha in New Windsor at 845-534-2979
- Lowery Organ – call Hilda Pascale in New Windsor at 845-567-3049

Membership News

- Joseph Bertolozzi will be performing *The Bronze Collection* at the US Tennis Open, Flushing Meadows, Corona Park, NY. Dates are August. 30 from 3:00 - 7:00 PM, September 4 from 4:30 - 7:30 PM, September 5 from 9:00 AM -1:00 PM, and September 6, 3:00 - 7:00 PM. As you’re following the US Open on your favorite sports channel or in the newspaper, look for Joe - he just might turn up!
- Thanks to all the members who contacted the editor to confirm their intention to renew their membership for 2004-2005. An updated list of renewed and new members will be published in the next newsletter. According to the official AGO Operating Procedures, reports forwarding the national portion of dues payments must be sent in to headquarters within 30 days of the chapter renewal deadline, which was June 30, 2004. If you need a copy of the membership renewal form, please call Susan LaGrande at 845-226-6496.

List of Organ Substitutes

Jeffrey Alban	845-226-6482	<u>For Weddings and Funerals Only:</u>	
Elena Belyayeva	845-452-2069	Joe Bertolozzi	845-831-0695
Richard C. Ehlenberg	845-658-9746	Judie Brown	845-888-5318
Lois Hoger	845-229-7404	Alice Cann	845-223-5344
Maris Kristapsons (no weddings)	845-635-8837	Greg Citarella	845-297-7693
Jimrae K. Lenser	845-427-5884/914-388-6641	Jennifer Geibel	845-658-3218/973-769-1462
Janet Nickerson	845-561-0763	Larry Hazard	845-452-0119
Jeff Parries	845-297-6870	Boyd Herforth	845-255-5298/973-783-8798
<u>No Sunday Morning Services:</u>		Erna Loerch	845-226-8094
Pat Maimone	845-446-2395		
Beverly Simmons	845-463-1249		

Position Openings

The chapter has recently been informed that a member of another chapter of the American Guild of Organists has reported wrongful termination by St. Paul Lutheran Church of Wurtemberg in Rhinebeck, NY. Investigation into the circumstances of this termination is ongoing and no determination has been made at this time.

Although Guild Members may provide substitute or interim services, no Member may seek or accept regular or permanent employment with St. Paul Lutheran Church of Wurtemberg while these Procedures are pending. Contact AGO Headquarters for the current status of this case.

Editor's Note – Position openings are listed for three months unless an extension is requested.

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR (Part-Time)

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH – POUGHKEEPSIE, NY

Position available October 3, 2004. One Sunday service at 10:00 AM. Volunteer choir. 1906 Wicks 2-manual organ, playable but needs work. For further information, contact Bobbie Gordon, Warden, St. Paul's Church, 161 Mansion Street, Poughkeepsie, 12601, 845-452-8440.

9/1/2004

ORGANIST (Part-Time)

THE REFORMED CHURCH OF BEACON - BEACON, NY

One Sunday service at 11:00 AM. Traditional service with 3 hymns, prelude, offertory, postlude, Gloria Patri and Doxology. No choir. Ryder 2-manual tracker organ in mostly good condition (work on pedal division expected shortly). Compensation negotiable. Contact: Ed Hawkins, V.P. of Consistory, at 418 Rock Cut Rd, Walden, NY 12586 Tel: 845-566-1488

6/30/2004

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR (Part-Time)

CHRIST CHURCH UNITED METHODIST – BEACON, NY

One Sunday service at 10:00 AM. Traditional service with 3 hymns, prelude, postlude, and offertory. Small (5 adults) volunteer choir. Anthem most Sundays. Choir rehearsal Thursdays at 7:30 PM. May consider having one anthem per month to get more participation. Instruments: Electronic organ and a piano. We occasionally welcome different instruments to add variety to service. Salary: \$6,200 per year; 3 weeks off with pay; no benefits; paid semi-monthly. Contact: Pastor Tony Beck, Christ Church United Methodist, Beacon, NY, 845-831-2068, or email or email tonybck@aol.com.

Renewed 9/1/2004

MINISTER OF MUSIC (Part Time)

ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH - HYDE PARK

Position available January 2005. One Sunday service at 10:00 AM, Thursday evening choir rehearsal (except in summer). Additional seasonal services. Familiarity with Episcopal liturgy a plus. Adult choir and potential for youth choir. Several instrumentalists in parish to call on. 3-manual, 22 rank Bozeman tracker pipe organ (built 1990). Salary is negotiable. Extra compensation for weddings and funerals. Contact Fr. Chuck Kramer at 4526 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park, New York 12538. Tel: 845-229-2820, Fax: 845-229-5293, e-mail: stjames@bestweb.net.

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Editor's Corner

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Contributions to this newsletter are always welcome. Please be sure to contact the editor if you have changes to your contact information. We also welcome notices of position openings and calendar events, as well as reviews of recitals and other events.

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Calendar of Events

Please note: Due to space considerations, this Calendar of Events may exclude the following:

- Events taking place outside the area served by the Central Hudson Valley Chapter
- Events which conflict directly with chapter sponsored events

Such events may be listed on the Local Events page of our chapter web site at www.chvago.org.

Please contact the editor if you have an event to be publicized.

Boxed items are Central Hudson Valley AGO Chapter events.

Names listed in bold face are chapter members.

Thursday, September 2,
2004
12:15 - 12:45 PM

Uptown Organ Recital Series featuring **Thomas Sheehan**
Old Dutch Church, 272 Wall Street, Kingston, NY
Free. Info: 845-338-6759

Friday, September 10,
2004
8:00 PM

Concert by John Michael Talbot, noted Catholic composer
John F. Kennedy Catholic High School, Somers, NY. Sponsored
by the Archdiocesan Charismatic Renewal Office.
Tickets: \$25. Info: Sr. Pauline Cinquini at 914-723-0533 or
charismny@juno.com or www.catholiccharismaticny.org

- Saturday, September 11, 2004
1:00 - 3:00 PM
- Auditions for the New York Catholic Chorale Chapel of Saint Mary of the Angels, Siena College, Loudonville, NY. Auditions may also be arranged on an individual basis throughout the remainder of the summer months. Polyphony of Palestrina, Byrd, Whyte, Guerrero, and many others will be featured this season. Featured orchestral masses will be the *Spätzen Messe* of W.A. Mozart and the *Mass #1 in B-flat* of Johann Nepomuk Hummel. The choir's founder/director is Thomas F. Savoy.
Info: <http://www.nycchorale.org> or e-mail to auditions@nycchorale.org, or call (518) 875-9156
- Saturday, September 11, 2004
Time TBD
- Outdoor Concert
The 150th Anniversary of Poughkeepsie continues with an outdoor concert featuring the Poughkeepsie Festival Orchestra playing "Suite Poughkeepsie" by **Joseph Bertolozzi**.
College Hill Park, Poughkeepsie. Open to the public
- Sunday, September 12, 2004
3:00 PM
- Class of 1964 Organ Recital featuring F. Anthony Thurman, AGO Director of Development and Communication
Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY Free. Info: 845-938-7352
- Saturday, September 18, 2004
4:00 to 6:30 PM
- Chapter Potluck Picnic
John Sullivan's home in LaGrange with indoor backup at Susan Guse's. See directions elsewhere in this month's newsletter.
- Sunday, September 19, 2004
3:00 PM
- Pipe Organ Recital by **Jimrae K. Lenser**
First Presbyterian Church, 50 Liberty Street, Beacon, NY
Free. Info: 845-831-1833
- Sunday, October 3, 2004
3:00 PM
- Recital by Cameron Carpenter
New York Military Academy, Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY
- Sunday, October 10, 2004
6:00 PM
- PIPEDREAMS Radio Program Taping
Hosted by Michael Barone, at Queens College, Queens, NY
BENEFIT for WNYE-FM, which transmits PIPEDREAMS in the metro. NY area.
Tickets: \$15 in advance/\$20 at door
- Sunday, October 17, 2004
3:00 PM
- Organ Recital by **Thomas Sheehan**
The Reformed Church, 70 Hooker Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY
Tom, who has been studying with **John A. Davis, Jr.** since January of 2002, will play a varied program of solo organ selections, including Bach, Vierne, and Franck, in celebration of his sixteenth birthday, which occurs this October.

- Sunday, October 24, 2004
3:00 PM
- 30th Anniversary Music Festival
Sponsored by the Dutchess County Interfaith Council, Inc.
Vassar College Chapel, Poughkeepsie
featuring an especially large Combined Interfaith Choir, a large children's choir (including choirs led by **Celestine Campbell** and **Susan Guse**), and the Camerata Chorale, accompanied by **Dr. John A. Davis, Jr.** and **Thomas Sheehan**
For more information, call 845-471-7333
- Sunday, November 21, 2004
3:00 PM
- Class of 1936 Distinguished Organists' Recital
featuring Gail Archer, Director of Music, Barnard College,
Columbia University
Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY Free. Info: 845-938-7352
- Sunday, December 5, 2004
3:00 PM
- Handel's Messiah
Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY
Alan D. Reese, tenor soloist Free. Info: 845-938-7352
- February 6, 2005
3:00 PM
- Mayer Organ Recital
featuring Janelle O'Malley
Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY Free. Info: 845-938-7352
- Sunday, April 10, 2005
3:00 PM
- Recital Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Dr. Davis'
Appointment as USMA Organist/Choirmaster
featuring **John A. Davis, Jr.** and **Thomas Sheehan**
Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY Free. Info: 845-938-7352
- Sunday, May 8, 2005
3:00 PM
- Class of 1936 Distinguished Organists' Recital
featuring James Welch, Organist, Santa Clara University
Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY Free. Info: 845-938-7352
- June 22 – 25, 2005
Only 10 months to go!
- Region II & III AGO Convention
Hosted by our own Central Hudson Valley chapter
Call a board member today to see how you can get involved!



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