

SAN JOSE PIPINGS

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Dean's Message

Happy New Year's fellow friends!

As I sit here writing my little column, thinking of all the things I still need to do before the end of the year, I realized I feel somewhat accomplished. I was able to check some things off of my goal list this year and as a result I found new confidence in myself as a musician. Have you experienced this before? Perhaps it comes with exhaustion from the holidays but I think it really comes from completing goals, no matter how small they are. In my musical life I have had one goal that I have been aiming for for many years. Some years I have not been as motivated as others but this past month I think I had a wonderful experience that will push me to finally finish this goal before the end of next year.

I give a Christmas organ concert every year, not all is me playing but I try to make sure it is fun and interactive with hymns, other soloists all mixed in with some delightful organ pieces. This year it was a great success, over 200 were in attendance! I would like to think that it wasn't solely because of the other musician involved, but partly the idea of introducing the audience to the great JS Bach and show casing the organ. I took a gamble on playing the 3rd movement of Bach's Concerto II in a minor, and they loved it! Perhaps being the dean to our AGO chapter gave me a little extra confidence to do so, but either way, the evening was a huge success, ending with great comments. A few said they wanted to learn the organ and the best one was, "I am so mad I haven't gone before, I am coming back every year!"

This motivated me greatly and I can hardly wait for the new pieces I am going to learn and share at the next event. I can't help but think being dean to our AGO chapter has given me that little extra confidence and sense of responsibility to put off my insecurities and inch closer to my main musical goal. I hope we as a chapter can continue to support, motivate and inspire each other with our own musical goals this New Year! I look forward to working and seeing you all.

With you in music,

Elisabeth Pintar, Dean

JANUARY CHAPTER EVENT

The January Chapter Event will take place on Saturday night, 18 Jan. 2014 at 7:30 PM St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 1957 Pruneridge Ave, Santa Clara. This event will be a diverse offering featuring organists Darryl Parker, Mike Cala, and Charles Cramer. For his part, Cala will include an improvisation accompanying a short silent film. In addition, Cramer will give an illustrated presentation, "How I became a Photographer and met Ansel Adams." He will talk about the many connections between music and photography. Adams started off as a pianist, and Cramer will present some rarely-heard recordings of Adams playing the piano. included will be some of Cramer's photographs. (www.charlescramer.com). Reception follows.

FEBRUARY CHAPTER EVENT STUDENT RECITAL

FRASIER ORGAN SCHOLARSHIP 2014

San Jose Chapter members: please encourage an eligible organ student to apply for the Frasier Organ Scholarship this year. As a reminder, the scholarship is open to current chapter members and to organ students studying with or sponsored by current members (previous winners are not eligible). The Frasier Organ Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of demonstrated talent and potential, and must be used for specified continuing education in organ studies. The scholarship amount is \$1000.

You can find the 2014 scholarship qualifications/requirements, application and hymn list on our website. [www.agosanjose.org Under "What's New," click on "Frasier Organ Scholarship"] If you have questions about the scholarship, please contact Valerie Sterk (valeriesterk@gmail.com). The deadline for sending the application (application form and two recommendations) is March 21, 2014; the auditions will be in late April or early May; and the winner will be notified by May 10. Please encourage

CURIOUS CREATURES, ETC

Sunday, January 12, 3:00 p.m. Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos, 16575 Shannon Rd, Los Gatos, CA 95032.

Curious Creatures, Outrageous Organists, and other Winter Wakenings: Music for organ and narrator/singer **Margaret Martin Kvamme**, organ, with **Katherine McKee**, mezzo soprano. Freewill offering to benefit

Executive Committee Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st Jan, 2014 at 7:30 PM at Valerie Sterk's home, 214 Talia Ave, Santa Clara

LOOKING AHEAD

8 Feb, Saturday

Student Recital, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Saratoga at 3 PM – Contact Margaret Kvamme (408-356-4267, musicmomkvam@verizon.net)

5 Apr, Saturday, 9AM-NoonPipes, Pedals, & Pizza, Sunnyvale PresbyterianChurch

8 June, Sunday

Last year's Fraiser Scholarship Winner **Myrna Emata** will present a recital. After which we will hold are annual Installation Dinner which will be No Host @ location TBD

OPEN POSITIONS

First Presbyterian Church of Monterey, 501 El Dorado Street, is seeking an organist/pianist. Position requires playing for choir rehearsals (50-voice choir) on Thursday evenings from 7:15pm to approximately 9:00pm (September through mid-June), and playing for a single worship service on Sunday mornings at 10:30am. Position pays \$23,000 per annum. Interested applicants should contact Director of Music, John Koza at johnkoza@comcast.net or 831.320.5085.

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The Lynnewood United Methodist Church in Pleasanton (~ 350 members), is seeking a part-time organist, starting January 2014. During the academic year, Lynnewood has 2 Sunday services, while during the summer Lynnewood goes to a schedule of only 1 service per Sunday. Lynnewood has an electronic

Allen Organ Master Design Series MDS-36 installed in 1995.

The organist would be required to provide service music (prelude, postlude, offertory and hymn accompaniment) for all worship services (Sundays and special seasonal evening services such as Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, etc.) He/She should be fluent in a wide variety of styles of music including classical. He/She should be able to select music appropriate to the various liturgical seasons. Ability to collaborate with the pastors, church pianist, and the director of music is required. Ability to accompany soloists and/or choirs as necessary is also required. Salary: To be negotiated; dependent on experience and skill level.

Contact: Donna Kirch at Lynnewood United Methodist Church, e-mail at hr/@lynnewood.org. or 925-846-0221 www.lynnewood.org.



From Mike Cala

A Special Event with the Canadian Brass



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Music Calendar

Locations

CSMA: Cathedral of St Mary of the Assumption, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco

CUMC: Campbell United Methodist Church, 1675 Winchester Blvd. Campbell

GC: Grace Cathedral, 1100 California St. San Francisco

* Chapter Member

Every Saturday & Sunday

Organ, 4 PM, Calif. Palace of the Legion of Honor, Lincoln Park, 34th Ave & Clement St., San Francisco. Concerts are Saturday & Sunday

D. Hegarty: - Jan 4/5 - Feb 1/2 **R. Gurney:** - Jan 11/12 - Feb 8/9 **J. K. Hirten:** - Jan 18/19- Feb 15/16 **K. Thompson:** Jan 25/26- Feb 22/23

January 2014

5 Sunday

Epiphany Lessons & Carols, CSMA, 3:30 PM, Cathedral Choir of Boys and Girls, Golden Gate Boyschoir and Bellringers, St. Brigid School Honor Choir

Alison Luedecke, GC, 4 PM

12 Sunday

Curious Creatures, Outrageous Organists, and other Winter

Wakenings, Music for organ and narrator/singer, Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos, 16575 Shannon Rd, Los Gatos, 3 PM, *Margaret Martin Kvamme, organ, Katherine McKee, mezzo soprano. Freewill offering to benefit maintenance of the 1958 Möller/Schoenstein organ.

Gail Archer, organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

Edward J. Tipton, organ, St. Mark' Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 6:05 PM,

19 Sunday

Anthony Williams (Fisk University), organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM, This event is cosponsored with the SF Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

24 Friday

Cameron Carpenter, organ, GC, 7:30 PM

Robert Huw Morgan, organ, Stanford Memorial Church, 7:30 PM

26 Sunday

Lyle Sheffler, Classical Guitar, CSMA, 3:30 PM

February 2014

2 Sunday

Christoph Tietze, organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

9 Sunday Christoph Tietze, organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

16 Sunday

James Welch, organ, American Organ Music, Santa Clara Mission Church, 2 PM

Hans Uwe Hielscher, organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

19 Wednesday

Christophe Mantoux, organ, Stanford Memorial Church, 7:30 PM

23 Sunday

Christoph Tietze, organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

March 2014

2 Sunday Christoph Tietze, organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

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