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 SAN JOSE CHAPTER OF THE AGO
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Dean's Message

My dear San Jose AGO members,

As my term has come to an end I have been reflecting on the time served. The wonderful part of the AGO community is that the torch simply passes on to a new Dean full of new ideas, visions, goals, energy, commitment, and leadership. The past 3 years have flown by and I still can't believe that I was still elected because in my mind I feel like I'm still in college, not old enough to do handle 'responsible' tasks. However, it was comforting to know that those that I worked with really were the movement behind the wheels, making everything possible. I was allowed to grow as an organist but most importantly, the friendships I have developed will carry on for years to come! I look forward to the next few years still supporting our Chapter in a various ways, cheering on new organists, attending events, passing off certifications, all while being inspired by the friends on the Board.

I hope you will be able to attend our Annual Installation dinner, potluck style, at Pat Milstead's home for networking and increasing friendships over delicious food and drinks. In addition, we will FINALLY recognize Diane Keller with her Past Dean Pin. I look forward to seeing you there and hearing about your future plans as well.

As always, I am fondly yours in music,

Elisabeth Pintar, Dean

Slate of Officers for Next Year 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

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David Snook-Luther – 2017

Susan Snook-Luther – 2018

Melody Bast – 2019

Secretary: Kay Lee

Treasurer/Registrar: Janet Parent

ANNUAL CHAPTER MEETING AND POT LUCK

Our Annual Meeting to install this year's officers will be held on **Sunday June 5th** at **Patricia Milstead's home**, 1258 Oak Knoll Dr., San Jose, CA at **5 PM**. This will be a pot luck dinner, so please bring a main dish and/or a desert plate to share. Whenever we have had one of these events it has always been very enjoyable. There will also be a Board Meeting for the board members which will start at 4:30 PM before the Pot Luck dinner.

We need a count of those who will be attending the Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Dinner. If you are attending, please email me (kitalbot@pacbell) or telephone me (408-732-6094) and let me know how many will be attending. 🎵

HYMN SING, 1 MAY 2016, 3 PM

Elisabeth Pintar

On May 1st, Los Gatos United Methodist Church graciously hosted the “2nd Annual Hymn Sing”. The event started off with Prelude music from the ever-talented **Larry & Carla Sue Hand Bell Duo**. **Carolyn Lamcke** welcomed and invited everyone to the event and to consider becoming a member in the Guild. **Darryl Parker** began with a brief explanation and history of his chosen hymn (Darwall’s 148th) and then led the congregation with variations on each verse, concluding with a jubilant harmonization of the last verse. **Dick Coulter** followed with everyone singing in harmony, concluding with a beautiful solo arrangement based on the hymn, perfect for the Lenten Season (Passon Chorale). Next came the piano & organ duo of **Joyce Rhodes** and **Celia Palm** (a new member to the chapter). The hymn (Lord of the Dance) was delightfully arranged in a very light and joyful style as all 5 verses were sung. **Paul Rosas** followed accompanying the congregation with his arrangements on a hymn (Discipleship) and then **Larry & Carla Sue** joined him on the hand bells for a second hymn (Madrid), a treat not only to the ears but to the eyes as well! **Valerie Sterk** brought her own arrangements of two hymn settings (Beach Spring & Beecher) that were just lovely and hopefully will be published soon! The event concluded with **Diane Keller** playing an arrangement by Richard Elliott of “Every Time I Feel the Spirit” (Pentecost) that brought the crowd to their feet as we all felt the ‘spirit’ of the organ. A delicious reception extended the event with many staying to congratulate, talk, and simply enjoy each other’s friendship. A great time was had by all and we look forward to watching the numbers grow in attendance next year! 🎵

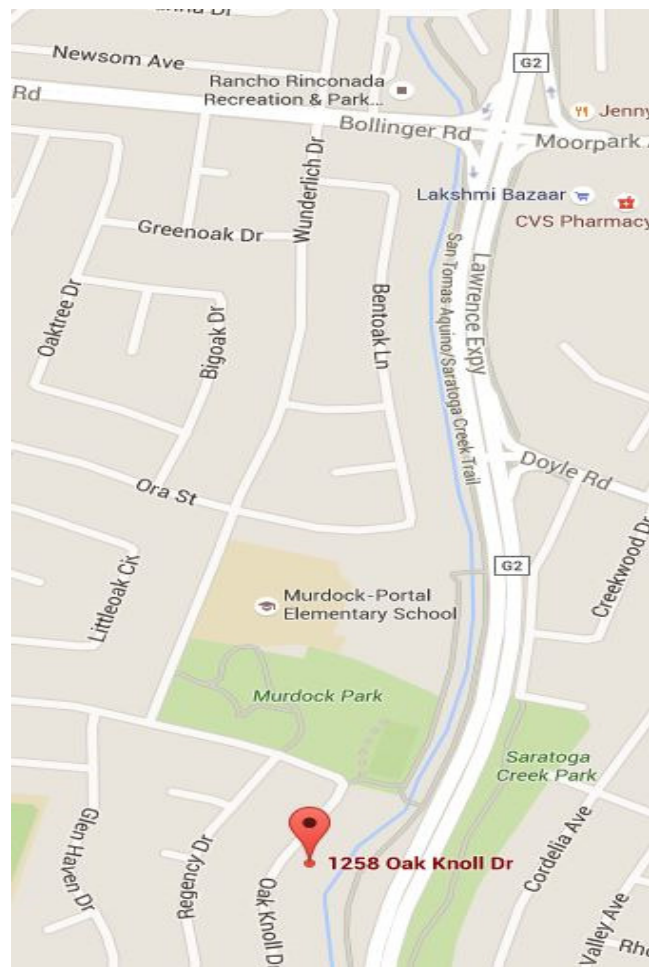


Hymn Sing Performers

Back: L to R: Celia Palm, Richard Coulter, Darryl Parker, Diane Keller, and Valerie Sterk
Front: L to R: Joyce Rhodes, Carla Sue, Larry Sue, and Paul Rosas.

MAP TO PATRICIA MILSTEAD’S HOME

Patricia Milstead’s home, 1258 Oak Knoll Dr., San Jose



NEXT YEAR’S NEWSLETTERS

Starting with the next newsletter issue, newsletters will be sent to members via their Email Addresses only. Members without an Email address will receive a printed copy. This will save a substantial amount in printing and mailing costs. 🎵

AGO Members that Compose

We have a number of chapter members that compose. Here is a list of them that will share their music:

Lothar Banderman, www.lotharbandermann.com

Harold Stuart, www.theorganispraise.org

Valerie Sterk, valeriesterk@gmail.com

Paul Rosas, tpaulrosas@comcast.net

If any of you would like to have your names added to this list, please let me know. 🎵

NEW MEMBER

Stephen Speciale, 1408 Mercer Ave, San Jose, CA 95125,
(480) 241-0055, stephenspeciale@yahoo.com

OPEN POSITIONS

The Episcopal Church in Almaden (ECA), 6581 Camden Avenue, San Jose, CA is seeking a **Music Director and Organist/Pianist**. <http://www.eca-sj.org/>

The person selected will help ECA fulfill its vision of creating a joyful, dynamic worship experience, supported and enriched by music both congregational and choral through celebration and education. We want the Music Director to help educate and train, individuals and the congregation as a whole, preparing them to participate fully in the worship of the church. We want the Holy Spirit to be felt in our singing and in the music sung by the choir, and to engage a broad range of repertoire in both. We want to be creative and collaborative in our worship planning, and to have fun together doing so. Joyfulness and a personally engaging manner will be considered as much as technical competence in the choice of our Music Director. ECA considers its music programs to be a vital ministry.

Ideal candidate qualities and background:

- Familiarity with Episcopal/liturgical worship
- Flexibility and willingness to learn and lead new styles
- Ability to work collaboratively with Rector and other music leaders and musicians
- Range of experience with musical styles and genres
- Introducing congregations to new musical styles
- Experience with choral conducting
- Talented organist and pianist
- Ability to recruit and nurture choir members

Key points:

- Experienced adult choir (currently 8-12 members)
- State-of-the-art 3-manual digital Phoenix organ from England
- One Sunday morning service at 10:45 a.m.
- Thursday night rehearsal 7:30-9:00 p.m. (except summer)
- Help oversee Bell Choir, folk choir, and possible youth music programs
- Intimate, in-the-round worship space
- Church facility shared with UCC congregation (worships at 9:00 a.m. with its own Music Director)

Part-time position (10-15 hours/wk.) with competitive salary (\$18-21,000) and negotiable benefits. See more detailed job listing at: eca-sj.org/files/music_search.pdf.

Apply by: June 30, 2016. Email resume to: music-search@eca-sj.org. Todd Axtell, Music Search Committee, 650/856-2020 408/693-4089, toddger@aol.com

Organ specs: eca-sj.org/files/graphics/Phoenix_specs.pdf 🎵

Stone Church of Willow Glen, located in San Jose, CA, is an active, progressive, Presbyterian USA church. We are seeking a part-time (10-14hrs/ week) qualified **Organist** to play our 2 manual Schoenstein pipe organ and Steinway piano at services to accompany our 35-voice choir at services and rehearsals. The organist will work closely with our Pastors, The Rev. Dr. Ken Henry, The Rev. Irene Pak Lee and our Choir Director, Nancy Kromm, Associate Professor, Head of Voice, Santa Clara University. General duties and responsibilities for each Sunday are for the prelude, offertory,

postlude, accompanying congregational singing, pastoral cantoring, choral intros and anthems. The organist will be equally comfortable at organ and piano and have excellent sight-reading skills. The organist may be asked to accompany the bell choir, children's choir, soloists (instrumental and vocal), or brass choir. Choir rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30. Compensation will be commensurate with experience. For additional information about the church: www.stonechurch.org. Stone Church of Willow Glen 1937 Lincoln Ave. San Jose, CA 95125 408-269-1593. Inquiries or resumes should be sent to OSC@StoneChurch.org. 🎵

Dates to Remember

🕊️ **Ugo Sforza, 14 Sunday October, Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church**, 728 West Fremont Ave, SV. 🎵

The Bay Area Max Reger Festival 2016

*honoring the centennial of the death
of Max Reger (1873-1916)*

at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption,
San Francisco, concerts at 4 pm

August 14 - Paul Fejko

August 21 - Thomas Joyce

September 4 - David Hatt

September 11 - Stephen Hamilton

September 18 - Angela Kraft Cross

at Trinity Episcopal Church, Reno, Nevada
concerts at 7 pm/noon

July 28/29 - Angela Kraft Cross

September 2 - Thomas Joyce

For information call 415/640-6815

Music Calendar Continued

July

31 Sunday

Christoph Tietze, organist, **CSMA, 4 PM**

August

6 Saturday

Thomas Joyce, New Dobson organ, **St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church**, 28005 Robinson Canyon Road, Carmel Valley, Ca, **3-4 PM**, \$20, www.saintdunstanschurch.org

September

11 Sunday

Tiffany Truett Bender, organ, **Laura Anderson**, soprano, New Dobson organ, **St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church**, 28005 Robinson Canyon Road, Carmel Valley, Ca, **4-5 PM**, \$20, www.saintdunstanschurch.org

Music Calendar

Locations

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

GC: Grace Cathedral, 1100 California St. San Francisco

SJCAGO> San Jose Chapter Event

MEM> San Jose Chapter Member

Every Saturday & Sunday

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

D. Hegarty: June 4/5 – July 2/3

G. Archer: June 11/12

John Dimmock: June 18/19 – July 9/10

Angela Kraft Cross : July 16/17

John Walko Jun 25/26 – July 12/24

Steve Main : July 30/31

May

26 & 27 Thursday & Friday

James Welch, Nicholas Welch,

Michael Adduci, and others,

Presidio Chapel, 130 Fisher Loop,

San Francisco, CA, 7:30 PM, Free;

Ticket Reservations: 415-447-6274

29 Sunday

Christoph Tietze, CSMA, 4 PM

June

4 Saturday

James Welch, New Dobson organ,
St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church,

28005 Robinson Canyon Road,
Carmel Valley, Ca, **4-5 PM, \$20;**
students free,

www.saintdunstanschurch.org

5 Sunday

Congregational Oratorio

Society, Gregory Wait, Director,

First Congregational Church in

Palo Alto, 1985 Louis Road, Palo

Alto, 3 PM

Christoph Tietze, CSMA, 4 PM

Benjamin Bachmann, organist,

GC, 4 PM

SJCAGO> Annual Chapter

Meeting, Pot Luck Dinner,

Installing next years' Officers,

Patricia Milstead's home, 1258

Oak Knoll Dr., San Jose, CA, 5 PM

8 Wednesday

Albert Tomasso, organist,

Stanford Memorial Church,

7:30 PM

10 Friday

Robert Huw Morgan,

Commencement Recital, Complete

organ works of Maurice Duruflé,

Stanford Memorial Church,

7:30 PM

12 Sunday

Justin Matters (Rapid City, SD),

organist, CSMA, 4 PM

Katya Kolesnikova (Berkeley), organ,
St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300
Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 6:05 PM

19 Sunday

Justin Matters (Rapid City, SD),

organist, CSMA, 4 PM

James Welch, organ, **Holy Cross**

Church, 126 High Street, Santa Cruz,

historic Felgemaker organ, 7 PM

26 Sunday

Xiyan Wang ,Pianist, **CSMA, 4 PM**

July

3 Sunday

Karen Beaumont (Milwaukee, WI),

organist, CSMA, 4 PM

10 Sunday

May AreaReger Festival: David

Hatt, organist, **CSMA, 4 PM**

17 Sunday

Xiyan Wang ,Pianist, **CSMA, 4 PM**

24 Sunday

Xiyan Wang ,Pianist, **Victor Xie,**

viola, CSMA, 4 PM

Lawrence Thain, organist, **GC, 4 PM**

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