

## Message from the Dean

Dear Colleagues,

Joy! Joy! Joy! Are you joyful this time of year? With all that musicians have to do during this season, I hope you are truly joyful in your work.

For some, this is a stress-filled time. More than the usual number of services to prepare for. So much music to go through. Too many rehearsals. Not enough time. What about your own Christmas preparations?

Well folks, all I can say is try to find a balance. So what if you don't accomplish all that you had planned to do. From personal experience, I know all these "joyful" chaos gets my adrenaline flowing and renews my energy. I need to remind myself to try to focus on what's meaningful and beautiful --- family, church, friends, laughter, stories, carols, cool nights ---- and somehow I arrive at a place of appreciation and peace.

I wish for you and your loved ones hope, joy, peace and love.

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**PEDALS PIZZA AND PIPES**

**SATURDAY JANUARY 8, 2005  
10 am -12:00 NOON**

**ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
20 UNIVERSITY AVENUE  
LOS GATOS**

*Sponsored by the San Jose Chapter, American Guild of Organists*

Come hear the King of Instruments.  
Learn how it works  
Learn what makes all those great sounds!!  
Get a chance to play on a real pipe organ!!

For upper elementary, junior high, high school & adult piano/keyboard students.

Cost is only \$5 per person for the pizza.

To make reservations or get more information, contact number below.

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Our annual PEDALS, PIZZA AND PIPES will be held this year on Saturday, Jan. 8 from 10 to noon at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 20 University Ave., Los Gatos. We welcome keyboard students of all ages, even adults. The students will hear the King of Instruments, learning how it works and how it makes all those great sounds. They will have a chance to play on the organ. Cost is only \$5 per person for the pizza. To make reservations or get more information, contact Pat Milstead at 408 253-8630 or at Pmmilstead@cs.com. Deadline is Jan. 5. Our 4<sup>th</sup> PPP will be a fun event for all involved.

The Chapter gives great thanks to member Lothar Bandermann for his very generous contribution of the proceeds of his Fun and Funny Organ CD sales at our recent Members Recital. Lothar asked that the funds go toward our scholarship and educational programs.

And speaking of scholarships, are you or your student preparing for the Frasier Auditions in April of next year? This opportunity for further organ study is for members, students of members or organists recommended by members.

Pat Milstead  
Chair: Education/Resources