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Dean's Message

Fall Greetings everyone!

This past week I had the opportunity to accompany my son's class to see the mighty Sequoias and Redwoods. They are a spectacular sight to see how old, beautiful, tall, numerous, and resilient they are. Truly inspiring to behold! it made me reflect on how many other things in life surround me with that same type of inspiration and the attitude and then I thought how much music does this for me. Does it for you as well?

Last Sunday I had the opportunity to attend Stephen Boniface's recital at Stone Church in Willow Glenn and left with a similar experience as the Redwoods. I left happier, energized, full of new ideas, fabulous music lingering in my ears, amazement of JS Bach's writings, and excitement for how much fun organ music can be for everyone. The church was full and my first thought was if only all organ concerts were like this and then I thought, why not? With all of the ways we are now connected we should encourage others to join us for an afternoon or evening of music inspiration!

*On 29 September at 3:30 PM CUMC's (1675 Winchester Blvd, Campbell) will celebrate their organ's 20th Anniversary with our very own **Mary Ann Gee** and **Carolyn Pryor** plus friends performing in the concert.*

*Then in November, we have the Alzheimer's weekend concert series featuring more of our chapter members performing, specifically our past Dean, **Diane Keller**, who is fabulous at the organ. How inspiring is this to see and hear! I hope you are able to support one or all of these fine musicians at our events and benefit from their hard work and willingness to share, leaving us thankful. This of course, puts us in the mind for the upcoming month of November a.k.a., Thanksgiving!*

Happy practicing and happy planning for the upcoming, extremely busy, months.

I am yours in the audience.

Elisabeth Pintar, Dean

29 SEPTEMBER CHAPTER EVENT

This event will be reported in the November Newsletter. 🎵

FUTURE EVENT

On **Sunday 8 June 2014 at 3 Pm** our last year's Fraiser Scholarship Winner **Myrna Emata** will present a recital at **Los Gatos Presbyterian**, 16575 Shannon Rd, Los Gatos. 🎵

STUDENT RECITAL

The Student Recital will be held on 8 Feb at **Immanuel Lutheran Church**, 14103 Saratoga Ave, Saratoga. If you have any students that would like to participate, contact, Margaret Kvamme, 16816 Frank Ave, Los Gatos, CA 95032, musicmon@horizon.net or 408-356-4267. 🎵

LOOKING AHEAD

Nov 1, 2, & 3, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday
Alzheimer's Concerts.

18 Jan, Saturday

Charles Cramer & Darryl Parker photos and art with organ at 7:30 PM at St. Mark's Episcopal, Santa Clara

8 Feb, Saturday

Student Recital, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Saratoga at 3 PM – Contact Margaret Kvamme

5 Apr, Saturday, 9AM-Noon

Pipes, Pedals, & Pizza, Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church

8 June, Sunday

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June – Annual Installation Dinner

Executive Committee Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday **15th Oct, 2013 at 7:30 PM** at **Carolyn Lamcke's home, 3062 Fresno St., Santa Clara**

OPEN POSITIONS

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church, 900 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont, CA 94002 has an opening for an **Organist**. One Sunday morning liturgical service with a few

additional evening services during Lent and Holy Week, occasional special events such as annual Christmas Program and an occasional performance at a Sunday luncheon. Rehearsals the first two Wednesday evenings of the month. Accompany choir and play at the end of the service and possibly during the distribution of Communion. The organist should be available for weddings; wedding fee set by organist and paid directly to the organist. Salary flexible and depends on experience. Allen organ with two manuals, AGO pedal board, full range of stops, external speakers. Contact Choir Director Chris Canellos, cecanellos@aol.com. 🎵

First Presbyterian Church of Mountain View is looking for a **Sunday** Worship. Emphasis on piano skills with organ experience desired. Church enjoys a multi-generational, blended worship experience. Interested candidates please forward resume to music@fpcmv.org with *Accompanist* in the subject line. We are hoping to fill this position before September so please let us know if you're interested. Thank you for your consideration (Sheila Townsend at First Presbyterian Church of Mountain View). 🎵

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1100 Shasta Ave., San Jose has an opening for **Church Accompanist ASAP**. Fine musicianship and sight-reading, excellent piano skill in various styles, accompanist and ensemble skills and good people skills are important; organ or additional instruments a real plus. Instruments include a first-rate Seiler piano and a 17-rank historic pipe organ. Duties include blended Sunday service 10:30 A.M, year-round; choir accompanist Thursdays 7-9 P.M. Sept through June; two to three special services during the year; accompany soloists as needed. Teaching is permitted, and Church Accompanist has first refusal on weddings and funerals. We need someone creative and flexible who will zealously strive to participate with other staff in providing a worship experience of high quality and variety. Interview and references required. Contact Rev. Franzen at 408-294-7447 or rev.dr.bryan@gmail.com to submit resume or request full job description. 🎵

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. 🎵

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. 🎵

I, 2 & 3 NOVEMBER CHAPTER EVENTS

ALZHEIMER'S BENEFIT CONCERTS

Concert #1: Friday, Nov 1 at 7:30pm at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. 15885 Los Gatos Almaden Rd, Los Gatos 9503, 408-356-3525. **The Ed Lacina Brass Quartet** will be presenting a dynamic concert with organist **Carolyn Lamcke**. Admission is free. A donation will be collected for the Alzheimer's Association during the concert.

Concert #2: Saturday, Nov 2 at 3pm at Los Altos United Methodist Church, 655 Magdalena Ave, Los Altos, at the corner of Magdalena and Foothill Expressway. Two featured works will be "A Sweet for Mother Goose" by **John Akerely** for organ and narrator. The 7 poems of **Camille Dungy** "What to Eat, What to Drink and What to leave for poison" have

been set to music by **Paul Rosas** and will be sung by 4 superb sopranos--**Anne Janzer, Becky Everett, Casie Walker,** and **Laura Lang-Ree**. Admission is free. A donation will be collected for the Alzheimer's association during the concert. For more information, please call Paul Rosas at 408-482-0517.

Concert #3: Sunday, Nov 3 at 3pm at Los Gatos Presbyterian Church, 16575 Shannon Rd, Los Gatos, CA 95032. The handbell experience the incredible 8 bell duets of **Larry and Carla Sue** as well as the bass bells of the Los Ding Zone. **Diane Keller** will be showing her magic on the organ. Admission is free. A donation will be collected for the Alzheimer's Association during the concert. For more information please call Los Gatos Presbyterian Church at 408-356-6156. 🎵

AGO REGIONAL CONVENTION – DICK COULTER

Dorothy Young Riess is a stunning example of what One of the pleasures I had at the Regional Convention occurred when I introduced **Chinar Merjanian** to **David Rothe**. I have known David for quite a long time and we were sitting at the same table for dinner when he reminded me that it had been just 50 years ago that he won the Young Artist's competition at our Regional Convention. David, who was the organist at Chico State for many, many years is now retired, but remains a consummate artist. The fun part was that Chinar had to crawl under the table in order to come meet David. She did that with ease and the grace that depicts a real artist! 🎵

CHINAR MERJANIAN WINS THE REGIONAL QUIMBY COMPETITION



I am very excited and proud to announce that own chapter **Chinar Merjanian**, age 18, was named the winner of the Region 9 Regional Young Organists' Competition at the Regional Convention in Bakersfield last Saturday. She won \$1000, a free years' membership to the AGO, plus a 30-minute solo recital at the 2014 National Convention in Boston next summer. Also, she played a 45-minute recital this morning in Bakersfield for the convention audience and I hear she received a standing ovation. Congratulations, Chinar!!! Margaret Kvamme

Music Calendar

Locations

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: - Oct 5/6 - Nov 2/3

R. Gurney: - Oct 12/13 - Nov 9/10

J. K. Hirten: - Oct 19/20- Nov 16/17

K. Thompson: Oct 27/27- Nov 23/24

J. Dimmock: Nov 30/Dec 1

October 2013

6 Sunday

Marco Cadario, (Italy), organ,
CSMA, 3:30 PM

James Welch, Organ, Music of
Richard Purvis, **GC, 4 PM.**

12 Saturday

**James Welch, Immanuel
Lutheran Church,** 1715 Grant
Road, Los Altos, Free-will
Offering, **7 PM,** Dedication of
Rodgers Organ

13 Sunday

Emanuele Cardi, (Italy), organ,
CSMA, 3:30 PM

Gedymin Grubba, (Poland),
organ, **St. Mark's Episcopal
Church,** 2300 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, **6:05 PM**

20 Sunday

Hans Uwe Hielscher, (Germany),
organ, **CSMA, 3:30 PM**

26 Saturday

Valparasio Singers, James Welch
(accompanist), **The Annex, The
Church of Jesus Christ of
Latter-day Saints,** 1115
Valparaiso Ave, Menlo Park,
7:30 PM, Free

23 Wednesday

Jason Roberts, organ, **Stanford
Memorial Church, 7:30 PM**

27 Sunday

David Troiano, organ, **CSMA,
3:30 PM**

31 Thursday

James Welch, Annual Halloween
Concert, **St. Mark's Episcopal
Church,** 600 Colorado Ave, Palo
Alto, **8 PM**

November 2013

3 Sunday

Christoph Tietze, organ, **CSMA,
3:30 PM**

Jonathan Dimmock, Organ, **GC,
4 PM.**

10 Sunday

Alexei Kodash, violin, **Xijan Wang,**
piano, **CSMA, 3:30 PM**

Michael Kleinschmidt, organ, **St.
Mark's Episcopal Church,** 2300
Bancroft Way, Berkeley, **6:05 PM**

December 2013

Look at

<http://www.gracecathedral.org/visit/concerts-and-events/> for Grace Cathedral
December events

7 Saturday

James Welch, Annual Christmas
Crèche, **The Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-day Saints,** 3865 Middlefield
Road, Palo Alto, **4:30 PM**

8 Sunday

Valparasio Singers, Annual Christmas
Crèche, **The Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-day Saints,** 3865 Middlefield
Road, Palo Alto, **4:30 & 7 PM**

15 Sunday

Robert Huw Morgan, organ,
Stanford Memorial Church, 1:30 PM

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San Jose Chapter

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