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Dean's Message

Dear San Jose members:

Well, a new year has begun and already good things are happening. Our area has received the much needed moisture we have been hoping for, new members have joined our chapter, there were great turnouts to December's various concerts by our members, and the events for this coming year are the best yet! Even though this past month is always very hectic and full I left December rejuvenated and full of confidence about the direction of organ music.

One of my goals for this year (besides passing the CAGO) is to promote and joyfully announce all the events of this coming year, surpassing past years' attendances by using the Yahoo! Group page, Facebook, flyers to churches, and word of mouth through students, family & friends. I hope you will help me do the same with the first event of the year, our PPP. We have moved it to January and it already promises to have a great turnout! Let us help foster future organists.

Another goal I would love to see is former and new members joining our chapter so we can grow in numbers and expand the love of organ music. Please ask me or someone on the Board to explain the various ways of being a member, should you have any questions. Barbara Adler, our elected treasurer on the AGO National Council, has asked all chapters to increase incoming revenue by donating to the Annual Fund via \$1 a month, or \$12 a year. Many of you already give more so thank you but if you want to continue please do so or encourage others as well. These funds help with many programs the AGO provides: Certification program, educational materials, and support for POE are just a few examples. As all businesses aim to do, staying in the black is essential for continual growth and success.

I look forward with great anticipation and excitement for 2015. I know that if we continue to support and encourage other only the very best of things will continue to come to the San Jose Chapter!

Happy New Year my dear friends,

Elisabeth Pintar, Dean

FRASIER ORGAN SCHOLARSHIP 2015

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 qualifications/requirements, application and hymn list for 2015 scholarship 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 20, 2015**; the auditions will be in late April or early May; and the winner will be notified by May 10. Please encourage any potential scholarship applicants now! 🎵

31 JANUARY CHAPTER EVENT PEDALS, PIPES, AND PIZZA

Our San Jose AGO Chapter is inviting all interested piano students, age 8 and up, (yes, high school, also) to attend our fourteenth annual Pedals, Pipes & Pizza event at **Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church** on **Saturday, January 31, 9 am-12 noon**. Registration will be at 8:45am. We’ll begin with an introduction to the pipe organ and a demonstration of some of its sounds and capabilities. Each student is invited to bring along a piano piece or two they know well and would like to try out on the organ (Bach, Handel and other Baroque pieces work especially well, but most any piano piece can be played on the organ). Experienced organists will be at the organ console with them, to help choose an appropriate registration for their piece. Around 11:30am, we’ll enjoy an informal pizza lunch together.

If you know of piano students who would like to participate in this fun introduction to the organ, please contact Valerie Sterk (valeriesterk@gmail.com or 408-249-5705). Registration is limited, so please sign up early. Cost is only \$5 per person. Parents are welcome to attend with their child. Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church is located at 728 W. Fremont Ave., Sunnyvale;

directions are available on the church website: <http://www.svpc.us/directions.html>

Note to our members: the success of this event in encouraging future organists depends on you, so please bring your piano students and pass the word to other piano teachers whom you know. If you’d like to help with the Jan. 31 PPP (demonstrating the organ, helping students set registrations, serving pizza lunch, etc.), please let Valerie know by email. Thanks!

Valerie. 🎵

CHAPTER JANUARY ALZHEIMER’S BENEFIT CONCERTS

The **Alzheimer’s Concerts** are sponsored by the San Jose Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Three benefit concerts will be given by chapter members and volunteers on three successive days. You will want to hear these concerts. Bring your friends

Admission is free. Donations go to the Alzheimer’s Association for research.

The **first** concert will be held on **23 January 2015** (Friday) at **St. Bede’s**, 2650 Sand Hill Rd, San Mateo at **7 30 PM**. **Angela Kraft Cross** will play organ and **Larry and Carla Sue** will be playing bells.

The **second** concert will be held on 24 January 2015 (Saturday) at the **First Palo Alto United Methodist Church**, 625 Hamilton Ave, Palo Alto at **3 PM**. The performers will be **Diane Keller**, organ, and **Fiume de Musica** (a violin group with cello and other instruments).

The **third** concert will be held on 25 January 2015 (Sunday) at the **Advent Lutheran Church**, 16870 Murphy Ave, Morgan Hill, at **5 PM**. The performers will be **Stephen Boniface**, organ, **San Jose Metro Jazz Band**, **Bradshaw Piano Duo**, (ragtime), and the **Santa Anna Winds Quintet**.

The **third** concert will need the help of some of your AGO members both before, such as handing out programs) and after the concert. If you can help, please call Carolyn Lamcke at (408) 832-4585 or email at clamcke@gmail.com.

8 FEBRUARY CHAPTER EVENT MIKE CALA CONCERT

Mike Cala will give a concert on **Sunday 8 February 2015 at 4 PM**, at **Mission Dolores Basilica**, 3321 Sixteenth Street, San Francisco, (94145) 621-8203.

This concert is part of the Basilica's 2014-2015 Sunday afternoon recital series.

22 FEBRUARY CHAPTER EVENT

DAVID HATT CONCERT

David Hatt will give a concert on **Sunday 22 February 2015 at 3 PM**, at **St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**, 13601 Saratoga Ave, Saratoga.

28 FEBRUARY CHAPTER EVENT

STUDENT RECITAL

The San Jose AGO Student Recital will be held on **Saturday, 28 February at 3 PM**, at **Stone Church in Willow Glen**, 1937 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose. We look forward to a wonderful concert. Thank you to Stephen Boniface and the church for hosting. Be sure to invite your friends and family to this free event, which will be followed by a cookies-and-punch reception. Let's show our students support and provide encouragement.

Margaret Kvamme 🎵

OPEN POSITIONS

Valley Church, Cupertino, 10885 N. Stelling Rd., Cupertino, is offering a paid internship as **choir director** for the traditional service. Rehearsals Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings at 8:35 for 9 AM service, now through May. Details available from worship pastor **Daniel Kim at 408-739-4642**. 🎵

CONN ORGAN

I have a **Conn 643 Theatre organ**. I originally paid about \$5,000 for it. It is in almost perfect condition. I will donate to a church or an individual.

Patricia Gardner pgardner951@yahoo.com, 408-559-9390



Dear Colleagues: Check out the article in the Dec. 15 issue of the New Yorker – “Wall of Sound – A resurgence of organ music in the concert hall.” by Alex Ross. It includes a full page picture of the organ at Disney Hall. Shalom from Carolyn Pryor.
<http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2014/12/15/wall-sound>

Executive Committee Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday **13th Jan, 2015** at **7:30 PM** at **Valerie Sterk's home, 2164 Talia Ave., Santa Clara**

New Member – Ki Rim Eom

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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 Event * 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: Jan 3/4 – Feb 7/8

R. Gurney: Jan 10/11 – Feb 14/15

John Kark Hirten: Jan 17/18 – Feb 21/22

K Thompson: Jan 24/25 – Feb 28 / Mar 1

January 2015

4 January Sunday

Epiphany Lessons and Carols, Archdiocesan Children's Choir, Golden Gate Boys Choir and Bell ringers, and St. Brigid School Honor Choir, CSMA, 4 PM

10 January Saturday

Composers; Workshop with Carson Cooman, Christ Church Portola Valley, 815 Portola Road, Portola Valley, CA, please bring unfinished compositions. 10 AM

11 January Sunday

James Welch, St. Bede's Church, Menlo Park, \$10 gen/\$6 seniors/ free to students, 4 PM

Ryan Enright, organ, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 6:05 PM

18 January Sunday

Gail Archer, organ, CSMA, 4 PM

☼ 23 January Friday

Angela Kraft Cross, organ, 8 Bell duets with Larry and Carla Sue, St. Bede's, 2650 Sand Hill Rd, San Mateo, Alzheimer's Benefit Concert, 7 30PM, a joint event of the San Jose Chapter and PA/Peninsula Chapters.

☼ 24 January Saturday

***Diane Keller, organ, Fiume De Musica (flutes, oboes, and piano), Palo Alto United Methodist Church, 625 Hamilton Ave, Palo Alto, 3PM, Alzheimer's Benefit Concert,**

25 Sunday

Paul Jacobs, organ, Louis Davies Symphony Hall, 3 PM, Tickets sfsymphony.org

Ennio Cominetti, (Italy), organ, CSMA, 4 PM

☼ 25 January Sunday

San Jose Metro Jazz Band, Bradshaw Duo (ragtime), *Stephen Boniface, organ, Advent Lutheran, 16870 Murphy Ave, Morgan Hill, Alzheimer's Benefit Concert, 5 PM

☼ 31 January Saturday

Pipes, Pedals, & Pizza, Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont Ave, 9AM-Noon.

February 2015

1 February Sunday

James Welch (Organ), Karen Thielen (Harp), and Michael Adduci (Oboe), St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 600 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94306, \$10 at the door 3 PM

ZoltanVarga, (Hungary), organ, Borgala Baboth ,soprano,CSMA, 4 PM

8 February Sunday

Xiyan Wang, piano, CSMA, 4 PM

Mamiko Iwasaki, organ, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 6:05 PM

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