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 SAN JOSE CHAPTER OF THE AGO
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Dean's Message

I imagine most of us are beginning to think about the summer. Travel plans, graduation plans, gardening plans. Some of this seems like re-hashing, but it bears repeating!

I hope to see many of you at our **annual Potluck/Installation on June 6 at 4:30pm**. It will be preceded by a service of Evensong, and promises to be a great way to wrap up the year with the SJAGO. The event is being held at **Bethel Lutheran Church in Cupertino**. Please RSVP to **Diane Keller** diane.keller@gmail.com at your earliest convenience!

I must say I continue to be impressed with the work of our board. We not only work hard, but we have a great time working together as well. There is much laughter during meetings, even as we go about the chapter's business.

It seems that often our discussions revolve around technology and promotion. How do we, as residents of Silicon Valley, use the amazing tools at our fingertips (literally) to reach out to those who are interested in our art?

One of the items that we have undertaken is a Facebook page for SJAGO. If you are on Facebook, please check it out, and join up. Facebook can be a great tool for us to use to promote our events not only among the chapter, but to the wider community as well.

Joyce Rhodes recently needed a piece of music and sent out a message to the AGO Yahoo group. Are you a member of it? Email Mary Ann Gee at mary_ann_gee@yahoo.com and she'll get you linked up! I responded to Joyce with two links I've used on a regular basis for FREE music. Here they are:

Choral Public Domain Library. Choral music. Many classics as well as new arrangements. www.cpd.org

IMSLP / Petrucci Music Library. Scans of library sources for music. I recently used it for the Schubert lieder I sang at CUMC in May.

http://imslp.org/wiki/Main_Page

Do you have some technological tools that you use on a regular basis in your work as a musician? Please be sure to let myself or Ken Talbot know, so we can share those things with others!

Speaking of Ken, thanks to him for wonderful work on the newsletter each month. Did you know that you can receive an electronic version (in full color!) Email him at kitalbot@pacbell.net. You'll receive the newsletter earlier, and save the chapter in printing, postage and time costs!

I do hope you have your calendars marked for **John Ferguson's** presence with us on **September 25th and 26th**. Check out Ferguson's info at <http://www.stolaf.edu/depts/music/faculty/organ.html> It promises to be an excellent weekend of music.

Perhaps during the "lull" of summer you'll be able to use your fingers to check out some of this technology as an alternative to practice! If you do, please share it with us! In peace,
Andrew Birling, Dean ♪

**Slate of Officers for Next Year
1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011.**

Dean: Andrew Birling	Members at Large:
Sub-Dean: Diane Keller	Arlene Zimmerman – 2011
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Auditor: Florene Wells	Newsletter Editor: Kenneth Talbot
Historian: Valerie Sterk	Secretary: Elisabeth Pintar
	Treasurer/Registrar: Rebecca Harrison

It's Dues Time Again

Enclosed is this year's form for renewing your dues for next year. If you have not filled out a form and mailed it with your check to our Treasurer Rebecca Harrison, please go to our web page (agosanjose.org) and do the following:

Click on "Membership", left side of page
Click on "Membership Application"

Print the PDF form, fill it out, and mail it with check to Rebecca Harrison, whose address appears at the bottom of the form.

June Annual Membership Meeting

The date for the Annual Meeting is **6 June** at **Bethel Lutheran Church** 10181 Finch Avenue, Cupertino.

Annual Meeting/Officers Installation and Potluck Dinner, **4:30 PM**, Contact Diane Keller, 408-773-8771

OPEN POSITIONS

First Lutheran Church, Palo Alto seeks an organist. The church has a 2002 26-rank Casavant and a 2000 3-rank Bond continuo, an incredibly talented choir, and a delightful, musically aware congregation. Please see the job description at <http://flcpa.org/doc/flcpaorganist.pdf>

Board Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday **15th June, 2010** at **7:30 PM** in the **Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 5825 Bollinger Road, Cupertino**

2010 Fraiser Scholarship Winner

We are pleased to announce that **Andrew Birling** is the winner of our Frasier Organ Scholarship for 2010. Our chapter will present him with the \$1000 award at our Annual Membership Meeting/Officers Installation/Potluck Dinner to be held 4:30 pm on Sunday, June 6, at Bethel Lutheran Church in Cupertino. Congratulations, Andrew!

Andrew has been serving as Director of Music at Campbell United Methodist Church since 2005. Prior to that, from 1992 until 2005, he served as Organist or Organist/Director of Music at five different churches. For his Frasier audition, Andrew performed Buxtehude's "Tocatta in F Major," Brahms' chorale prelude on "Herzlich Tut Mich Verlangen," Rorem's "In Nomine Domine," and the hymn "Lobe den Herren." Andrew plans to use the Frasier scholarship award for private organ study with **Sandra Soderlund** at Mills College.

The Frasier auditions were held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, San Jose, on Saturday afternoon, May 1. The judges were very encouraging of all three applicants this year, and reported that they struggled to make a decision, which ended up being very close. They selected Andrew as the 2010 Frasier winner, and encouraged the other applicants to apply again for the scholarship.

Our San Jose AGO chapter extends sincere appreciation to **Dick Coulter**, **Carolyn Pryor**, and **Joyce Rhodes**, who served as the three judges for this year's Frasier scholarship auditions. We also thank Immanuel Lutheran Church, San Jose, and host organist **Darryl Parker** for graciously allowing the Frasier applicants to practice and prepare their audition pieces there, and for hosting the Frasier auditions again this year. – Valerie Sterk 🎵



Reflections of a Regional Councillor

Can it actually be six years since the installation of the National Council, of which I was a part, at The Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels during the 2004 National Convention in Los Angeles? Have there really been Las Vegas and Tucson Midwinter Conclaves and a Phoenix Rising Festival for which I was a member of the Steering Committee? Is it possible that the 2011 convention in San Francisco is so far along in its planning? What about all the wonderful chapter events that occurred, including Pipe Organ Encounters? As the saying goes, "Time flies when you're having fun." Being on the AGO National Council and working with so many dedicated volunteers from the various chapters in the United States and overseas have been high points of my life. Thank you, dear colleagues, for your support, your creativity, your inspiration and the donation of your time and your talent. I may be riding into the sunset as Regional Councillor, but I shall look forward to the crossing of our paths at future Chapter, Regional and National events.

With gratitude and admiration,
Frances (Frankie) Nobert, DMA
AGO Region IX Councillor
July 1, 2004-June 30, 2010



VOTE - VOTE - VOTE

AGO NATIONAL ELECTION 2010

Joyce Rhodes, Region IX North Coast Convener

It is time to vote for National AGO Officers! It is always important to cast your ballot, and especially this year when "one of our own" is running for an office. Our San Jose Chapter member, **DICK COULTER**, is running for Regional Councillor, Region IX.

As you consider each candidate, I ask that you take into special consideration our own member **DICK COULTER**. I know DICK would appreciate your vote.

Thank you. Remember....VOTE...VOTE...VOTE!

SILICON VALLEY SYMPHONY "SOLI & SIBELIUS"

Our next concert, "**Soli & Sibelius**" featuring violinist **Eric Leong**, and Opera San Jose stars **Rebecca Davis**, **Lyric Soprano**, and **Michael Dailey**, Tenor will be on **June 4th** and **June 5th**. The orchestra plays the monumental "Symphony No. 2 in D Major", Op. 43 of Jean Sibelius. Please put us on your calendar.

<http://www.siliconvalleysymphony.net/Concerts/Sibelius/sibelius.html>

Pipe Organ Encounter Orange County AGO Chapter July 25 - 31, 2010

Concordia University, Irvine, California

A summer program in Southern California for teens to explore the wonders of the pipe organ!

See www.members-cox.net/ocagom for more details.

Financial Assistance is available from the San Jose Chapter for those attending, contact Valerie Sterk.

JOIN THE AGO YAHOO GROUP

If you would like to join the San Jose AGO Yahoo Group, send an Email to Mary Ann Gee (mary_ann_gee@yahoo.com) and ask to be added to the list

GET YOUR NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

If you would like to receive the San Jose AGO Newsletter by Email, send an Email to Kenneth Talbot (kitalbot@pacbell.net) and ask to be added to the list. **The newsletter will be in color.**

SEPTEMBER EVENT

John Allen Ferguson is an American organist, teacher and composer. He is probably best known for his choral compositions, hymnody and the words "hymn festival." He will be here on the **25th** and **26th** of **September** for our annual work shop and recital. Look for more information in the September newsletter as to the date.

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Music Calendar

Locations

CPLH: Calif. Palace of the Legion of Honor, Lincoln Park, 34th Ave & Clement St., San Francisco

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

GC: Grace Cathedral, 1100 California St. San Francisco

* Chapter Member

Every Saturday & Sunday

Organ, 4 PM, CPLH

June

5 Saturday

David Hegarty, CPLH, 4 PM

6 Sunday

Corrado Cavalli (Italy), Organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

David Hegarty, CPLH, 4 PM

Thomas Murray, Cathedral of Christ the Light, 2121 Harrison St, Oakland, 8 PM

11 Friday

Robert Huw Morgan, organ, complete organ works of Bach. Stanford Memorial Church, 8 PM, Free admission

12 Saturday

Robert Gurney, CPLH, 4 PM

13 Sunday

Katya Kolesnikova, Organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

Robert Gurney, CPLH, 4 PM

Choral Evensong, St. Mark's Episcopal, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 5:30 PM

Lenore Alford, St. Mark's Episcopal, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Flentrop Organ, 6:10 PM

20 Sunday

Angela Kraft Cross, Organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

27 Sunday

Christoph Tietze, Organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

July

4 Sunday

Christoph Tietze, Organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

11 Sunday

Karen Beaumont (Milwaukee, WI), Organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

18 Sunday

Duane Soubirous (Oberlin), Organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

25 Sunday

Martin Welzel (Germany), Organ, CSMA, 3:30 PM

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