

Newsletter of the Rhode Island Chapter of the American Guild of Organists Volume XL, No. 2

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### FROM THE DEAN

Thanks to all who voted on the change to the chapter's Operating Procedures. The results were 13 "yes" and 3 "no." So the following change will be made:

The number of annually elected persons to the Executive Committee will be reduced from 3 to 2, to begin with the Spring 2007 election. All persons who are already elected to the 3 classes of 3-year terms will serve their full term, but in the case of someone who resigns, the position will not be filled unless the number in that class drops below 2.

It is a privilege to be asked to serve, and we appreciate all those people who accept the call and faithfully attend meetings and keep the chapter running successfully.

Martha

#### **REMINDERS:**

Morning Munch at the Cinnamon Café, Warwick, on Monday, February 5 at 8:00 am.

The next **Executive Board meeting** will be on Monday, March 12 at 7:30 pm at Phillips Memorial Baptist Church, Cranston.

### FROM THE SUB-DEAN

Do you register your organ as effectively as you could? On Saturday, February 10, Kevin DiLorenzo will present a program on organ registration and how to make the most of your instrument. Kevin studied with Dr. David Ashbolt who was a long time student of Virgil Fox. Kevin is the organist at St. Mary's Church in Newport.

The program will take place at First Congregational Church, 715 Oakland Beach Avenue, Warwick at 1:00 pm. (*See enclosure*)

Julie

### DIRECTIONS:

From the South and West Bay: Take 95N, exit 10 to Rte 117. Turn right onto 117 and stay on this road for 4 miles. Turn right at Oakland Beach Ave and go for about a half mile. From the North and East Bay: Take 95S, exit 10. Take Rte 117 toward Apponaug. Stay on 117 for 4 miles. Turn right on Oakland Beach Ave and go for about a half mile.

### **CONVENTION UPDATE**

By now, all RIAGO members should have the brochure indicating that WE are hosting the 2007 Regional Convention from Sunday, June 24, 2007 through Wednesday, June 27 in Providence (and Newport). Accommodations are at the Providence Marriott. The Convention will include recitals by Patricia Snyder, Mark Steinbach, Paul Jacobs, Brink Bush (in Middletown/Newport!), Andrew Galuska and Hope Davis, as well as a "grand finalé" recital on Wednesday, June 27 with Gillian Weir. For further details **and to offer assistance** contact Doris Alberg, Registrar, 665 Maureen Circle, Mapleville, RI 02839 dorisja@cox.net.

### **EVENTS**

#### Sunday, February 4, 4:00 pm:

Matteo Imbruno, organist of the Oudekerk, Amsterdam, performs works of Scheidemann, Frescobaldi. Pablo Bruna, F.C. de Arrauxo and J.S. Bach on the historic 1903 Hutchings-Votey organ at Sayles Hall, Brown University. Admission free. Handicapped accessible. 401-863-2344. (Mr. Imbruno will also present a free masterclass on Saturday, Feb. 3 at 11:00 am.)

#### Sunday, March 4, 3:00 pm:

The Twenty-first Annual Frank Crandall Memorial Organ Recital, features **Dr. Patricia Snyder**, Director of Music Ministry at Storrs Congregational Church and adjunct Professor of Organ at the Hartt School, University of Hartford, presenting works by J. S. Bach, César Franck, Daniel Pinkham and others. Peace Dale Congregational Church, 261 Columbia Street, Peace Dale, RI. Free; donations accepted. Reception follows. Information: 789-7313. Plan to attend this "prelude" to Trisha's opening concert on June 25 at the Region I Convention!

### Friday, March 23, 7:30pm:

Newport Baroque Orchestra presents *A Dublin Concert* featuring **Barbara Poeschl-Edrich**, Baroque and Celtic harps music from 18th-century Dublin celebrating Newport's Irish Heritage Month. Emmanuel Church, 42 Dearborn St., Newport. Tickets, information: info@newportbaroque.org or 855-0687.

# MEMBERS' RECITAL

The Members' Recital offered on Sunday, January 21 by Christopher Gage, Nancy Nicholson, Leilani Nixon and Brink Bush treated the audience to a wide variety of offerings from Bach along with works by several French composers—and Nancy Nicholson's arrangement of a piano work by Chabrier. What a lovely way to spend a cold winter afternoon. Thanks to Martha and her helpers for a lively gathering with refreshments afterwards at Phillips Memorial Baptist Church.

# FROM THE BOSTON CHAPTER

The Boston Chapter Competition for young organists is coming up on March 17. I've had inquiries, but no actual entries. If you have any students or know of young organists who would enjoy the challenge, please encourage them to enter. Information is available from National at <u>www.agohq.org/competitions/index.html</u>. Click the RCYO link. For questions, email me: <u>dgb137@mac.com</u>. *David Baker*, Competition Coordinator

# PLACEMENT LISTING

All job seekers are encouraged to speak with the previous organist prior to accepting a long-term engagement.

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Phenix Baptist Church 2 Fairview Avenue, West Warwick, RI 02893 Linda S. Martin (401) 294-6318 X103; (401) 397-7 O/D \$120/week (4 hrs) Adams 2 Mn Tracker 15 s	
People's Baptist Church (American Baptist) 1275 Elmwood Avenue, Cranston, RI 02907 Dr. King Odell (401) 941-5472 O/D \$7000 3 hrs/week Moller 3 man. 25 Rank F	8/06 Pipe Organ
Calvin Presbyterian Church 126 Angell Road, Cumberland, RI 02864 Pam Marcil (401) 333-0355 O/D \$8000-\$10000 Moller 2 Manual Pipe	8/06
<ul> <li>Woodridge Congregational (United Church of Christ)</li> <li>546 Budlong Road, Cranston, RI 02920</li> <li>Courtney Lombardi (401) 942-0662</li> <li>O/D \$12723-\$16839 Wicks Pipe 2 Manual 35 Step</li> </ul>	8/06 ops
<ul> <li>St. Peter's &amp; St. Andrew's (Episcopal)</li> <li>25 Pomona Avenue, Providence, RI 02908</li> <li>Rev. Joyce Penfield (401) 272-9649; (401) 350-0021</li> <li>O/D \$125/service C.B. Fiske 13 Rank Tracker</li> </ul>	12/06
<ul> <li>St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA Lutheran)</li> <li>389 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick, RI 02886</li> <li>Rev. Dana K. Reardon (401) 737-6758; (401) 378-3</li> <li>O/D \$13,000 (16 hrs) Schantz Pipe 2 Man 11+ R</li> </ul>	512

# MEMBER MATTERS

**Update to Membership Directory**: Add **Gage-David R. Hansen** as a dual (SE MA) at 188 Cottage Street, New Bedford, MA 02740. 508-941-7406

**Congratulations** to Susan Markham, recently appointed organist at Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church in Hope, RI

Diana on the road: If you are in Houston, Texas on Sunday, February 25th, Diana Norton-Jackson is playing an organ recital at Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral in downtown Houston!

# FROM THE EDITOR

Submissions for the March newsletter are due by February 20, by e-mail or snail mail, with e-mail preferred: <u>aallard@ccri.edu</u> or 166 Suffolk Avenue, Pawtucket, RI 02861-2143.