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FROM THE EDITOR

As we work our way through this holy but hectic season, let's take the time to give *ourselves* a gift—some moments of reflection on why we devote so much time to making music for others and helping others to make music themselves. Rather than feeling burnt out, may we share in some of the fire of the burning bush and be thankful for the gifts—the talents and the people that have brought us to this profession, taught us, encouraged us, and perhaps sacrificed family time so we could be a gift to others during this season that is so important to so many.

Althea

CELEBRATING THE CONVENTION

On Friday, November 30, the Episcopal Cathedral of St. John in Providence was the site of the gala celebration of the successful convention, hosted by our own chapter. The evening began with wine and hors d'oeuvres to harp music and proceeded to a sandwich and salad buffet topped off by a spectacular cake decorated with a frosting likeness of the anchor logo. A highlight of the evening was a slide show—with music, of course—created by Paul Roselli from the multitude of pictures of various events at the convention. The audience was especially amused by the up-close-and-personal version of Paul Jacobs in recital—in which we heard him direct the camera to the pedals as a pedal cadenza was coming. And he didn't miss a note—naturally. The event was hosted by Brink Bush, recently appointed organist at the cathedral, and attended by more than thirty members and non-member volunteers, along with current Regional Councilor Lary Grossman and past regional councilor, Lois Toeppner. It was a fitting conclusion to four years of dedication by many members and friends.

WHAT'S NEW IN NEWPORT

A number of varied musical opportunities, from a masterclass by master uilleann piper **Jerry O'Sullivan** to an elegant tea, are on the spring schedule of the Newport Baroque Orchestra, directed by **Paul Cienniwa**. See all the details at <u>www.newportbaroque.org</u>; 401-855-3096. O'Sullivan and the Newport Baroque Orchestra will also offer two performances in February:

Friday, February 22, 8:00 pm:

St. John the Evangelist, 61 Poplar Street, Newport. Handicapped accessible, free on-street parking. \$25.

- and -

Sunday, February 24, 3:00 pm:

Emmanuel Church, 42 Dearborn St, Newport. Handicapped accessible, free on- and offstreet parking available \$25 general admission/\$30 preferred seating.

For tickets to either performance go to <u>www.newportbaroque.org</u> or call ArtTix at (401) 621-6123.

EVENTS

Monday, January 7, 8:00 am: Morning Munch at the Cinnamon Cafe, Warwick.

Sunday, February 3, 4:00 pm:

Guest artist James David Christie, organist, plays the 1903 Hutchings-Votey organ at Sayles Hall, Brown University. Free. Handicapped accessible. 401-863-2344

Saturday, February 9, 11:00 am:

Masterclass with James David Christie, Sayles Hall, Brown University. Free. 401-863-2344

Sunday, February 24, 4:00 pm:

Memorial organ recital on the 32 rank two manual Berkshire pipe organ at St Mark's Episcopal Church features **Adam Schneider** and students of **Mark Steinbach**. CDs of the instrument with organist Schneider will be available. Free will offering supports the Organ Console project. 10 Turner Avenue, Riverside

COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Executive Committee meeting is February 4.

PLACEMENT LISTING

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

Calvin Presbyterian Church 126 Angell Road, Cumberland, RI 02864 Pam Marcil (401) 333-0355 O/D (choir/handbell a +) \$20000 Moller 2 Manua	10/07 ll Pipe
Amicable Congregational (United Church of Christ) 3736 Main Street, Tiverton, RI 02878 Barbara Zeiser (401) 624-3710 O/D \$10000-12000 Allen 2 Manual	10/07
Peace Dale Congregational Church (U. Church of Christ) 12/07 261 Columbia Street, Peace Dale, RI 02879 Carol Anne Hayes (401) 364-9308 O/D \$22000-\$27000 Moller 2 Man 20 Ranks	
St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church 381 School Street, North Kingston, RI 02852 Rev Betrand L. Theroux (401) 884-2105 O/D \$25,000 LA Carlson 2 Mn Pipe	12/07
St. Stephen Lutheran Church 537 Bolton Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 Pastor Scott Howard (508) 485-9585 Naomi George (978) 568-9819 O/D \$10000-13500 Ahlborn Galanti - 2 man El	12/07 lectronic

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MEMBER NEWS

We bid farewell and Godspeed to Reverend Canon Robert Vanderau, who is leaving our area for Orlando in mid-January.

Bruce Stevens's new email address is <u>bcsri@verizon.net</u>. Adam Schneider's is <u>Orgelspieler@hotmail.com</u>.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Sherry Newman, recently appointed organist/director at Pawtucket Congregational Church.

FROM THE EDITOR

Submit for February newsletter by January 20, by e-mail (preferred) or snail-mail: <u>aallard@ccri.edu</u>; 166 Suffolk Ave., Pawtucket, RI 02861-2143.

Althea Allard