

Newsletter of the Rhode Island Chapter of the American Guild of Organists Volume XLI, No. 9 October 2008



Celebrate the Year of the Organ with Us

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 15, 7:00 PM

Chapter Recital Cathedral of SS Peter and Paul, Providence

Prelude and Fugue in E minor, "Cathedral" BWV 533 Johann Sebastian Bach Nancy Nicholson at Church of the Ascension, Cranston

Introit, Communion and Sortie from *Messe Basse* Louis Vierne **Philip Faraone** at Cathedral of SS Peter and Paul, Providence

Blithely Breezing Along from "Baronian Suite" Stephen Paulos Commissioned for AGO 2008 Organ Spectacular Jeffrey Allard at Peacedale Congregational Church

Choral and Fugue Opus 57 Marcel Dupre Leilani Nixon at First Congregational Church, Woodstock, CT

Passacaglia op 80 Oskar Merikanto Kajsa Teitelbaum at Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Warwick



TAKE THE OCTOBER CHALLENGE

2008 is officially declared "The Year of the Organ". In honor of this, are you willing to learn a new piece and play it sometime this year for your church service? If so, let us know, and we will "Trompette" your accomplishments in our newsletter throughout the course of the year. In addition, come celebrate with us at the mighty organ of the Cathedral of SS Peter and Paul where we will present a members' recital on Wednesday, October 15 at 7:00 pm.

Coming in November

CONTINUING THE MISSION: REACHING OUR CHILDREN

Join Nancy Nicholson, David Clyle Morse, and Koko for an interactive program that will explore exciting and dynamic ways we can bring our children into the exciting world of the organ and its music. This special event will be open to all area keyboard teachers and their students, as well as our membership. So come and meet new colleagues and bring your students, too! This will be a kid-friendly program at Mathewson Street Church on **Sunday**, **November 2 at 3:00 pm**.

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EVENTS

NOTE: with the close of Cinnamon Café, Morning Munches are suspended for the time being.

Sunday September 28, 7:00 pm:

Choral Evensong to celebrate the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels. Choir of St. Paul's, Wickford, Mark Steinbach, Organist and Choirmaster. Works of Blow, Palestrina and Pinkham. Old Narragansett Church, Church Lane, Wickford. 401-294-4357.

Saturday, October 4, 8:00 pm:

Music at Park Place presents REBEL in a concert entitled *Invention and Innovation* with **Matthias Maute**, transverse flute. The program includes rarely performed music of J.P. Telemann and J.S. Bach at St. Paul's Church, 50 Park Place, Pawtucket. Tickets: \$20 general admission; \$10 students. Tickets and information: <u>www.musicatparkplace.com</u> or 401-72-MUSIC.

Wednesday, October 15, 7:00 pm:

RIAGO members' recital honoring International Year of the Organ at Cathedral of SS Peter and Paul, Cathedral Square, Providence. Free. See front page for program, performers.

Sunday, October 19, 7:00 pm:

As a part of the "International Year of the Organ", organist **Kajsa Teitelbaum** will be playing organ music from several different countries and periods. Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Warwick. Reception follows. 401-739-2937 or <u>music@pilgrimlutheranri.org</u>

Sunday, October 19, 7:00 pm:

Organ Spectacular Celebrating the International Year of the Organ given by AGO members: **Brink Bush**, **Diana Norton-Jackson** and **Peter Krasinski**. Cathedral of St. John, Providence.

Sunday, October 28, 4:00 pm:

Mark Engelhardt, music director of Grace Episcopal Church, Salem, MA, will present a concert of "spooky music on the Estey organ," St. James Episcopal Church, 24 Hamlet Ave., Woonsocket. Call Shirley Ayers at 401-762-2222 for additional information.

Sunday, November 2, 3:00 pm:

RIAGO program: *Continuing the Mission: Reaching Our Children*, Mathewson Street Church. See front page for details.

Saturday, November 8, 8:00 pm:

Baroque violinist Laura Gulley is joined by violinist Julie McKenzie, cellist Audrey Cienniwa and harpsichordist Paul Cienniwa in a concert featuring chiaroscuro works by Heinrich Ignaz Franz von Biber. Emmanuel Church, 42 Dearborn St., Newport. \$25 gen. admission/\$10 ages 6-18/10% off full-price tickets (seniors, students, military, WGBH, AAA, EMA). Handicapped accessible. Tickets: ArtTix, 401-621-6123. Info: www.newportbaroque.org, 401-855-3096

MEMBER NEWS

Steve Martorella reports news of our relocated member, Andrew Galuska: he has won 2nd place in the Royal Canadian College of Organists International Improvisation Competition. Congratulations, Andrew, and good luck as you continue your career in Michigan!

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Scholarship Announced

Allen Fanslow of the Greater Bridgeport (CT) Chapter alerts us that in 2009 the Charlotte Hoyt Bagnall Scholarship for Church Musicians will hold a competition for church musicians who have graduated or will graduate from high school as of June 30, 2009. Awards from five hundred dollars (\$500) to twenty five hundred dollars (\$2500) will be granted. The scholarship can be used for a variety of music studies including:

- Organ lessons
- Undergraduate or graduate studies related to organ or religious music
- Participation in organ festivals, seminars, music camps, etc.

Information and applications can be obtained by visiting the scholarship website http://www.chbscholarship.com, or by writing "The Charlotte H. Bagnall Scholarship" at 17 Beaverbrook Rd., West Simsbury, CT 06092. Applications are due by December 31, 2008.

SEPT. 14 MEETING NOTES

Nineteen members and guests participated in a workshop offered by Gigi Mitchell-Velasco and Noel Velasco on the fine art of breathing effectively for singing—and better health. From exercises to a question period, the gathering at Community Church, Wayland Avenue, Providence, hosted by Lois Conboy, was entertained and informed by the couple, whose musicmaking experience is wide-ranging. Ms Velasco suggested, "If you breathe correctly, you will change your atoms," and reminded the group of the interaction of energy between audience and performer. Mr. Velasco got a knowing laugh when he mentioned that because so few people sing well, performance ensembles are small and audiences are large. (We wish audiences were always large.) A pot luck supper followed, along with lots of visiting and enthusiasm over upcoming program plans. (See Events for details.)

BOARD MEETING

There will be an Executive Board Meeting on November 3 at 7:30 pm at 30 Huguenot Drive, East Greenwich. Please call 885-7438 or e-mail julieltagen@yahoo.com if you need directions.

PLACEMENTS

St Peter's Lutheran Church, Newport: Matthew Haggerty

St. Sebastian's Church, Providence: John Totter

The Unitarian Church in Mendon, MA: **David Robbins**, of Boston

St. Augustine's Church, Kingston: H. Edward Seaholm

The United Congregational Church, Middletown: Jeff Kerr

Church of the Ascension, Cranston: Nancy Nicholson

Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Warwick: Kajsa Teitelbaum, of Sweden

Congratulations to all of you in your new positions!

Advertising Works!

In a note to Howard Phelps announcing a position filled, one pastor wrote:

"I must say, we advertised in the newspapers, sent information to the area college music departments, ran notices in two denominational job listings, besides the notice with RIAGO. With the exception of a word of mouth candidate, all the other inquiries and applications came through the RIAGO notice. Thank you."

DIRECTORY ADDITIONS

The first name of **Kajsa Teitelbaum** was inadvertently omitted from the Directory. Our apologies for the gnome responsible for such an oversight!

Paul A. Boucher Jr., 29 Riverwoods Ct., Rumford, RI 02916; 837-4802. St. Anthony Church, Portsmouth.

Karin E. Kohl, 282 Lippitt Ave., Cranston, RI 02921; 401-787-2695

Welcome new member **Robert W. Nolan**, a substitute, available Sundays, other occasions, funerals, weddings. Listed in Directory.

PLACEMENT LISTING

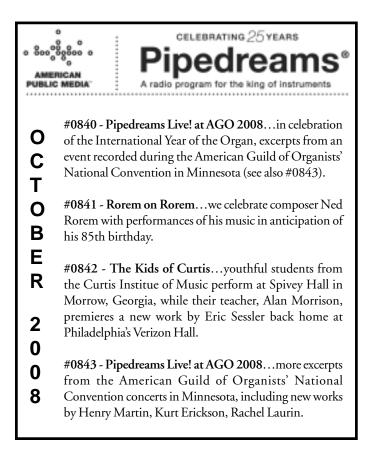
All job seekers are encouraged to speak with the previous organist prior to accepting a long-term engagement.

Emmanuel Episcopal Church 120 Nate Whipple Highway, Cumberland, RI 02864 Rev Peter Mayer (401) 658-1506; (401) 658-3781 Choir Director 5-8K; 8-12K(2009) Allen 2 Manu	5/08 1al
St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church 381 School Street, North Kingston, RI 02852 Rev Bertrand Theroux (401) 884-2105 O/D \$25,000 LA Carlson 2 Mn Pipe	7/08
Trinity Church (American Baptist/UCC) 232 Main Street, Northborough, MA 01532 Laurie Hunter (508) 269-2616 O/D \$14000-\$17000 Skinner 15 ranks 3 Man	7/08
Church of the Holy Spirit (Episcopal) 160 Rock Street, Fall River, MA 02720 Rev Matthew Stewart (508) 672-5571 O/D \$16000-\$19000 Allen 3 Man 60 Stops	8/08

Contact Howard Phelps (821-8475) for more information.

REGIONAL **B**LOG

Regional Councilor E Lary Grossman has created a blog to bring New England chapters news of each other. He urges us to check out the blog and send our calendar items to him at: <u>www.agonewengland.blogspot.com</u>



SUBSTITUTE LISTINGS

REPORT ANY CHANGES TO HOWARD PHELPS

AVAILABLE SUNDAYS

Brion, Laura: 578-4491 (all) Clarke, Margaret: 726-4128 (all) Gage, Christopher: 632-1863 (all) Larkin, Brian: 272-8318 (all) Lide, Mary Jane: 714-0011 (all) Nicholson, Nancy: 521-9097 (all) Nolan, Robert: 884-7172 (weddings, funerals) Norton-Jackson, Diana: 783-0402 (no RC/weddings, \$150 min.) Phelps, Howard: 821-8475 (no RC) Taylor, Terry: 253-9030 (no RC; pipe organs only) Westhaver, Verna: 683-2636 (all, interim) Yoreo, Dorothy: 246-1223 (all)

NOT AVAILABLE SUNDAYS

Allard, Jeff: 447-9035 (funerals) Boucher, Paul: 837-4802 (weddings, funerals, including RC) Bush, Brink: 245-4065 (weddings, funerals) Cienniwa, Paul: 508-676-8483 (\$150 min) Conboy, Lois: 658-3838 (all) Daly, Joan: 943-5191 (weddings, funerals) Hart, Kathy: 837-8873 (weddings, funerals, accompanist) Johnson, Mark D.: 996-9796 (no weddings; \$150 funerals) Martorella, Philip: 885-3431 (weddings, funerals) Morse, David: 486-0244 (no Sunday AM) Rankin, Jane B.: 884-0669 (funerals) Sobaje, Martha: 823-8024 (weddings, funerals, no RC) Tagen, Julie: 885-7438 (weddings, funerals) Valentine, Br. E. J. Kevin: 273-1731 (weddings, funerals; all denom) Whitley, Waylon: 369-7858 (weddings, funerals, etc.; no Sun. AM)

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The *Rhode Island Pipes* CD features Rhode Island organists playing noteworthy Rhode Island instruments. Only \$18.50! See performer and venue details online at <u>www.riago.org</u>. Contact Julie Tagen to order.

SUBMISSIONS

Deadline: 20th of each month

Submissions: Send Word or Text files to <u>aallard@ccri.edu</u> or to Althea Allard, 166 Suffolk Ave., Pawtucket, RI 02861.

Advertising: Word doc, PDF (print ready), JPG (high resolution), TIFF, or EPS. All files should be grayscale at 300 dpi resolution. Email to <u>celalla@cox.net</u>.

Advertising Rates

1/4-page ad (3.5"W x 5"H): \$18

1/8-page ad (3.5"W x 2.5"H): \$10

Flyers you provide (for RIAGO members): \$10

Make checks out to RIAGO and mail to Althea Allard by the 20th.