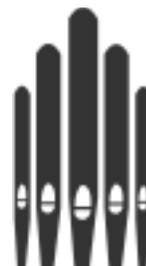




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*Remember!*

May 6-7

## “Stephen Hamilton Weekend”

(see inside for details)

## FROM THE DEAN

I would like to encourage each of you to attend the National AGO Convention in Chicago this July. As I have asked various chapter members if they plan on attending, and received the reply of “No, I can’t afford it,” I began to think of ways for people to come up with the necessary funds.

If you are employed as a church organist, it is quite possible that your church will assist you financially from a continuing education budget. Perhaps a conversation with the pastor or priest might lead you directly to such funding. If not, consider approaching the music committee to see if they will take this on as a project, and raise all or a portion of the funds for you. You might give a recital or have your choir give a concert with the offering going toward convention expenses. If you cannot find funding, then you might pay the expenses yourself, and take it as a tax deduction, since it relates to your job.

In any case, it would be a shame to miss out on the wonderful convention that has been planned by the folks in Chicago. Check your most recent copies of TAO to read about the exciting line-up of events. Hope to see you there!

## MORNING MUNCH

The next Morning Munch is Monday, April 3, 8:00 AM at the Cinnamon Cafe, Warwick.

*Martha*

## FROM 2005 WINNER, NANCY NICHOLSON

I had been thinking about studying Bach’s music for organ for several years. When I learned that the RIAGO had opened up its pianists’ competition to adults, it seemed like the right time. So I entered and won six free organ lessons. I love it. Playing organ is a wonderful challenge, my continuing work with David Morse is stimulating, and playing Bach’s organ music is truly inspiring. It has become part of my life, a habit—almost an addiction, but a healthy one! Another benefit is the opportunity to substitute at church services, and my hymn-playing is improving, even if I do say so myself! Many thanks to the RIAGO for giving me the boost I needed to start lessons to become an organist. —*Nancy Nicholson*

## FROM THE SUB-DEAN

Looking forward to May and our celebration of *Organ Awareness Month*, guest artist **Stephen Hamilton** will be performing a recital on Sunday, May 7 at 4 PM. He will also teach a masterclass on Saturday morning, May 6 from 10 am - 12 pm. Organists interested in playing for the masterclass should contact Martha Sobaje or Julie Tagen. Both events will take place at Phillips Memorial Baptist Church, Cranston.

*Julie*

## EVENTS

### Sunday, April 30, 3:00 PM:

**Diana Norton-Jackson** presents an organ recital featuring works by J. S. Bach, Leon Boellmann, Roberta Bitgood, Marco Enrico Bossi and others. Kingston Congregational Church, 2610 Kingstown Rd., Kingston, RI. Suggested donation: \$15 adults; \$5 students. Reception to follow. Call 783-5330.

### April 30, 4:00 PM:

Organ Recital/Hymn Sing, **David Norfrey**, guest organist, celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 18 rank, 900 pipe Kinzey-Angerstein tracker organ at Evangelical Covenant Church of Attleboro. Program includes hymns (with original arrangements), Mendelssohn Sonata in Bb, Bach Prelude and Fugue in Eb ("St. Anne") and a Handel Organ Concerto with guest strings and oboes. 841 North Main St., Attleboro, MA. (right off Route 95 at Exit 5). Free admission; nursery care provided. (508) 226-6221.

### Sunday, April 30, 4:30 PM:

Choral Concert in celebration of Mozart's 250th Birthday! **Newman Congregational Church Choir**, **Geoffrey Greene**, Director. Featuring Mozart's Solemn Vespers of Confession with 10-piece orchestra; also Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah and motets by Everett Titcomb. Newman Congregational Church, 100 Newman Avenue, Rumford, RI. (401) 434-4742. Suggested donation \$10. All proceeds benefit the church's music program. [newmanchurch@juno.com](mailto:newmanchurch@juno.com) (see flyer).

### Saturday, May 13, 7:30 PM:

*Music at Park Place*, a new concert series at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Pawtucket, presents **Boston Brass** in concert. This nationally known brass quintet presents an eclectic program of classical music and jazz. \$25 general admission (\$20 advance); \$20 seniors; \$10 students. 50 Park Place, Pawtucket. Tickets, info: 401-72-MUSIC or visit [www.musicatparkplace.com](http://www.musicatparkplace.com).

## PLACEMENT LISTING

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

United Parish of Fall River (UCC & Presbyterian) 10/05  
745 Wilson Road, Fall River, MA 02720  
Linda D. Desmarais (508) 672-3956  
Denise Dormer (508) 679-6835  
O/D \$8000-\$11000 Allen MDS-15

First Baptist Church of East Greenwich 12/05  
Peirce & Montrose Streets, PO Box 551, East Greenwich, RI 02818  
Jan Fletcher 884-2322; 885-1224  
O/D \$10000-\$13000 Casavant 2 Man/24 St

Wesley United Methodist Church 12/05  
55 Woodland Avenue, Lincoln, RI 02865  
David Philhower (800) 992-6422; 726-8906  
O/D \$12000 Mongrel-Arnold 2 manual 15 ranks Electric Action

Phenix Baptist Church 3/06  
2 Fairview Avenue, West Warwick, RI 02893  
Linda S. Martin 294-6318 X103; 397-7154  
O/D \$100/week (4 hrs) Adams 2 Mn Tracker 15 stops

## ADDITIONS TO THE SUB LIST:

Everett E. Salisbury: 782-2931 (RC only)  
Paul Cienniwa: (508) 676-8483 (\$150 min, No Sundays)

## CONGRATULATIONS

to Kevin Di Lorenzo, recently appointed Director of Liturgical Music at St. Mary's Church in Newport, RI.

## MEMBER MUSIC ONLINE

A website has been created for Diana Norton-Jackson on *Myspace Music*. Check it out at: [www.myspace.com/diananortonjackson](http://www.myspace.com/diananortonjackson). Listen to various selections with a click of the mouse.

## BOARD MEETING

Next Executive Board Meeting is Monday, May 8, 7:30 PM at Phillips Memorial Baptist Church, Cranston.

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## FROM THE EDITOR

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