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## Blessed Feast Days!

### FROM THE DEAN

Dear Members of the RIAGO,

I know this newsletter will arrive at a time when everyone is gearing up for the holiday and holy day services. I had scheduled a board meeting for October 30 at my house. But I was forced to cancel it due to the storm and the massive power outages we experienced. I was unable to reschedule another board meeting, so we could not plan any Christmas celebration for the beginning of January. As this is an extremely busy season for all of us, I will schedule a board meeting at the beginning of January and perhaps we can plan a get together later in February or early March. So please accept warm holiday wishes from me and the other board members.

*Stephen Kirby*, Dean  
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### AGO NATIONAL CONVENTION NEWS: JULY 2-6

Registration for the 2018 AGO National Convention in Kansas City has begun! Today's Super Saver rates are your lowest rates and are in effect through the end of December. Convention plans for the AGO's Young Organists include visits to the University of Kansas Bales Recital Hall and the St. Lawrence Center in addition to specialized events. Come hear the Rising Stars and Michael Barone in the Community of Christ Auditorium followed by Todd Wilson and the St. Cecilia Recital in the Temple across the street. We hope to see you there.

Go to [www.agokc2018.com](http://www.agokc2018.com) for full information.  
Register by Dec. 31 to enjoy super-saver rates.

Also, for your convenience, read *The American Organist* online at [www.agohq.org](http://www.agohq.org)

## PLACEMENT LISTINGS

Contact Julie Tagen (401-225-9594) to list

Original Congregational Church UCC 7/17  
1 East Street, Wrentham, MA 02093  
Lesley Whittemore 508-954-6460 whitluce@comcast.net  
Austin \$18,000-22,000 O/D

St. Barnabas Episcopal 8/17  
3257 Post Rod, Warwick, RI 02886  
Scott Lee day 401-737-4141 evening 806-640-4708  
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Allen \$15,000 O/D

St Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church  
390 Thames Street, Newport, RI 02840  
Zoe Adamedes. 401-441-0456  
Adams & Son \$3,000-4,000. O/D

## EVENT

**Sunday, December 3 at 5:00 pm:** Organ recital by **Barry Turley** in memory of James F. Burgess, Jr. includes works by **JS Bach, Widor, and Duruflé**. All Saints' Memorial Church, 674 Westminster Street, Providence. Free - donations will benefit the James F. Burgess, Jr. Endowment Fund. 401-751-1747, [allsaintsmemorial.org](http://allsaintsmemorial.org).

## SUBSTITUTE LISTINGS

Contact Julie Tagen (401-225-9594) with changes.

### AVAILABLE SUNDAYS & WEEKDAYS

Babbitt, Jonathan 401-864-9009  
Casteel, Eden: 401-932-5589  
Castellani, Roger: 917-621-6530 Available after Sept., 2016  
Clarke, Margaret: 401-726-4128 (all)  
Conboy, Lois: 401-658-3838 (please inquire)  
Gourd, Jacqueline: 401-828-4057 9all; no weddings)  
Higgins, Stephen: 401-441-2270 (comfortable with any keyboard situation)  
Johnson, Winfred: 401-847-8548 (interim)  
Jones, William 401-848-4327 (all)  
Karen Kohl 401-787-2695 Please Inquire  
MacCubbin, Jay: 401-521-0698  
Markham, Susan: 401-821-6786  
Norton-Jackson, Diana: 401-714-2700 (no weddings)  
Phelps, Howard: 508-224-8475 (please inquire)  
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Allard, Althea: 401-728-4431  
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Martorella, Philip: 401-615-0769 (no Sun. a.m.)  
Nicholson, Nancy: 401-521-9097 (all)  
Nolan, Robert: 401-884-7172 (available to provide all needs)  
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Sobaje, Martha: 401-626-0099 (weddings, funerals)  
Vinson, Duncan: 781-888-3848 (Sunday, Monday)

## MORE SYKES ON PRACTICE

*(from our October presentation)*

**It's a mistake** to try to get to a performance mentality too soon. Music will be the causality - and so will your sense of security and calmness. This is also sowing the seeds for our stage fright and nervousness.

**"Just sight reading" the first page** is like hacking through the rainforest with a machete. You stop and turn around to see that it's already grown back.

**Practice is not fixing mistakes;** practice is repeating success.

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### SUBMISSIONS

DEADLINE: 20th of each month. SUBMISSIONS: Send Word or Text files to [altheaallard@gmail.com](mailto:altheaallard@gmail.com) or to Althea Allard, 166 Suffolk Ave., Pawtucket, RI 02861. ADVERTISING: Word doc, PDF (print ready), JPG (high resolution), or TIFF. All files should be grayscale at 300 dpi resolution. Email to [altheaallard@gmail.com](mailto:altheaallard@gmail.com)

### ADVERTISING RATES

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