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## FROM THE DEAN

Hooray! The first recipient of the new scholarship program has completed her lessons. Gennifer Norman is a delightful and very talented young lady who has wanted to take organ lessons for some time now and is grateful for the opportunity to get started. She learned several pieces and at the end of the lessons played a prelude for her church. She plans to continue studying organ and I am sure her enthusiasm and hard work will carry her far.

—Julie

## FROM THE SUB-DEAN

RIAGO in conjunction with The First Baptist Church in America's *Music at the Meetinghouse* will present Thurston Moore's multimedia musical dramatization *Words of Albert Schweitzer and the Music of Bach*, on Sunday, February 15 at The First Baptist Church in America, 75 North Main Street at 3 pm. The critically acclaimed production, now in its 13th year, proclaims Schweitzer's message of peace and reverence for life. Schweitzer, who was an organist, organ builder, and Bach scholar, will have some of his favorite Bach works performed by chapter organists **Jeff Allard, Peter Krasinski, Nancy Nicholson, Leilani Nixon, and Stephen Martorella**, while Dr. William "Doc" Hutchinson, Rhode Island College faculty emeritus will read the words of Dr. Schweitzer along with readers representing our Rhode Island community services. Donations will be accepted which will be split with PICA serving the RI community and the RIAGO Chapter Scholarship funds. Bring a friend to this exciting event and help support these worthy endeavors that our chapter is proud to participate in.

—Stephen

## A REQUEST

To get AGO news as soon as it is available, you are urged to provide your email address to National by sending an email to Tom Healey ([thealey@agohq.org](mailto:thealey@agohq.org)), the administrative assistant at AGO headquarters, asking to add your email address to the database records. As with all personal information collected by the Guild, AGO will never sell or distribute your email addresses to any organization or individual. Your contact information will be used only for official Guild business.

## REGIONAL CONVENTION – 2009

Early member registration (by Feb. 28, 2009) is \$295. \$345 on or after March 1. Senior registrants and spouses/partners of all registrants receive a \$50 discount. Register online with PayPal: [www.agoboston2009.com](http://www.agoboston2009.com). The hotel is the Back Bay Hilton, and the room rate is unbeatable! How often can you stay in the heart of Boston on the July 4<sup>th</sup> for just \$189/night? To reserve a room, follow the link on the convention website or call 1-800-HILTONS.

Complimentary registration for up to 25 students with ID is available. Get the word out! Students should register by email or USPS directly to Mary Sue Willie, Registrar, 41 Hillcrest Road, Concord, MA 01742; [cvmwillie@aol.com](mailto:cvmwillie@aol.com).

## EVENTS

**Sunday, February 8, 3:00 pm:**

Organ concert by **Stephen Martorella** on the Ahlborn-Galanti AG3100 organ. Suggested donation: \$5. Newman Church, 100 Newman Avenue, Rumford. 401-434-4742.

**Saturday, February 21, 7:00 pm:**

**Newport Baroque** joins soloists from Providence College with **Sine Nomine** choral ensemble in a program of Bach cantatas, include cantatas 22, 150 and 166. This educational outreach program is sponsored by Newport Baroque and Providence College. Ryan Concert Hall at Smith Center for the Performing Arts, Providence College, 549 River Avenue, Providence. Tickets: Providence College, 401-865-2183. Directions/information: [www.newportbaroque.org](http://www.newportbaroque.org), 401-855-3096.

## AN OPPORTUNITY

On February 12th, **Kajsa Teitelbaum** is starting a Beginner's Choir at Pilgrim Lutheran Church: "Choir for All," open to anyone who loves to sing. This is an opportunity for RIAGO members, choirs, and people "in the pews," not only to the members of Pilgrim. The group will meet six times through the spring and end with a public performance. The repertoire goes from gospel to lullabies. Total cost for the whole course is \$50. (See flyer.)

## PLACEMENT LISTING

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

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
Church of Christ the King (RC) 130 Legris Avenue, West Warwick, RI 02893 Rev. John Codega: 401-821-9228 Organist \$300/week	12/08
Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd (ELCA) 383 Old North Road, Kingston, RI 02881 Rev. Juliet Bongfeldt: 401-789-7776; 401-295-8638 Organist/Pianist \$125-175/service Moeller 2 Man. Pipe/Digital	1/09

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

## AN INVITATION

The New York City Chapter invites you to attend its annual Presidents' Day Conference on Sunday evening, February 15<sup>th</sup> and Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. The conference will take place at the Church of the Holy Family, the United Nations Parish, 315 East 47th Street (between 1st and 2nd Avenues) in Manhattan. The church is a short walk from Grand Central Terminal and accessible by public transportation. The conference schedule is as follows:

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

7:30 p.m.: Recital, Peter Richard Conte

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

10:00 am: Registration

10:30 am: Lecture, Thomas Murray

*Marcel Dupré, a generous benefactor, and the Fifteen Antiphons, Opus 18*

12:00 Noon: Lunch on your own

2:00 pm: Lecture, Thomas Murray

*Mendelssohn Discovery in Cracow, Poland*

3:30 pm: Break

4:00 pm: Master Class with Alan Morrison

6:30 pm: Solemn Celebration of Evening Prayer

Music provided by The Holy Family Choir, Paul Murray, Director.

A reception follows Evening Prayer.

Admission to the recital and conference are free to members of the NYC Chapter. For all others, admission for the recital is \$20 (\$15 students/seniors) and the conference registration is \$40. Consider dual membership in the New York City Chapter and attend for free! For more information, please contact Paul Murray, Sub-Dean, at [pjmurray@churchholyfamily.org](mailto:pjmurray@churchholyfamily.org).

### SUBMISSIONS

Deadline: 20th of each month

Submissions: Send Word or Text files to [aallard@ccri.edu](mailto:aallard@ccri.edu) 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 [celalla@cox.net](mailto:celalla@cox.net).

### 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.