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FROM THE DEAN

Dear Colleagues,

Happy New Year! I hope you have recovered from your musical exertions over Christmas, had a rest, and are now ready to jump back into the routine of church, school and “regular” day job with renewed energy – fueled perhaps by leftover egg nog and fruitcake!

Speaking of energy, our indefatigable Regional Councilor Cheryl Duerr reports that preparations for our 2017 Regional Convention, the **Montreal Organ Festival**, July 1-7, 2017; produced collaboratively with the Royal Canadian College of Organists and the Canadian International Organ Competition), are moving quickly. Please consider attending this convention and revel in the amazing talent (including world-class artists Olivier Latry, Nathan Laube and Cherry Rhodes), stunning churches and other venues, and unique organs being featured, in one of North America’s most beautiful and historic cities. If you register by January 31st, you will help the convention committee secure the block of rooms in the convention hotel at the reduced rate.

- Festival website – Book the hotel from the website to get the convention rate:
montrealorganfestival.org

- General sponsor page: montrealorganfestival.org/sponsor.html

- Student sponsor page: montrealorganfestival.org/sponsor-a-student.html

- Concert sponsor page: montrealorganfestival.org/concert-sponsors.html

- Workshop sponsor page: montrealorganfestival.org/sponsor-a-workshop.html

- Donor page: montrealorganfestival.org/donate.html

On a more local note, the **Hartford AGO Pipe Organ Encounter** will take place July 16-21, 2017 on the campus of Trinity College in Hartford. Go to hartfordago.org/poe-2017 for more information, a brochure, and to register. Let’s support the talents and aspirations of the next generation of organists, to keep our profession moving forward!

Our next chapter program event is scheduled for **Saturday February 11**, at the First Unitarian Church in downtown Providence. Beginning at 9:00 am and ending around 12:30 pm, we will be enlightened by **David Enlow** of New York City’s Juilliard School and the Church of the Resurrection, who will lead a masterclass on hymn playing and improvisation. We are looking for three or four members to rise to the occasion and play their hymn arrangements, improvisations, or just play straight from the hymnal, for David’s comments and insights. Who wants to step up to this particular plate? Let me know by January 31st please. David is a well-known recitalist, but prefers his role as a true liturgical musician (he teaches the service playing and liturgical music courses at Juilliard, in fact), so we will all benefit from his vast experience and engaging presentation.

For a collective New Year’s resolution, perhaps we can take advantage of some of the events offered by our neighboring chapters in Boston, Worcester, SE Massachusetts, Hartford and New London. Do check out their websites for a schedule of events. We’re all in this together, so let’s reach out to our colleagues and, well, be more “collegial”!

All best wishes for 2017!

John Brooks, Dean

EVENT

Saturday, February 11, 9am-12:30pm: RIAGO Event: David Enlow offers a masterclass in hymn playing and improvisation. First Unitarian Church, Providence. *See Dean's letter for details*

SUBSTITUTE LISTINGS

Contact Althea Allard (728-4431) with changes.

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Babbitt, Jonathan 401-864-9009
Carlson, Maren 631-307-8719
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)
Funk, Richard: 401-272-0693 (all)
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Johnson, Winfred: 401-847-8548 (interim)
Jones, William 401-848-4327 (all)
Kohl, Karen: 401-787-2695 (please inquire)
MacCubbin, Jay: 401-521-0698
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MEMBER MATTERS

Please note the following opportunities and deadlines:

The Pogorzelski – Yankee Scholarship online application period begins January 1, 2017; the deadline for submission is February, 15, 2017.

Online applications for competitors are now being accepted for the 2017 **AGO/Quimby Regional Competitions for Young Organists**; application deadline is January 15, 2017.

Online applications for young composers are now being accepted for the **AGOYO North Central Young Composers Competition**; deadline is March 10, 2017.

CORRECTION AND ADDENDA TO THE DIRECTORY

The following changes should be made to the listings:

Alexander Bauhart's phone number is 401-297-5343; bauhart@aya.yale.edu. Apologies for the misspelling of his name.

Diana Norton Jackson's phone number is 401-714-2700.

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Hook & Hastings 16 rks 2 man
13K one service/ cho Organist/ChM

St. John's Church
191 County Rd. Barrington, RI
Episcopal
Rev Robert Marshall 401-245-4065
Rodgers 3/56 digital
Salary negotiable Organist/ChM

First Baptist Church 1/17
91 Cottage Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860
Rev. Linda Watson 401-725-7225; 401-952-9951
Wicks 12 rks 3 man
\$10,000; 1 service, 1 rehearsal O/D

SUBMISSIONS

DEADLINE: 20th of each month. SUBMISSIONS: Send Word or Text files to 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

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.