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## FROM THE DEAN

Dear Colleagues:

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our final event of the season, the Member's Recital, Dinner and Annual Meeting, on Sunday June 5th, at Central Congregational Church, 296 Angell Street, in Providence. The festivities begin at 5:00 pm sharp with the recital, played by our host **Patrick Aiken**, myself, and **Michael Ryan**, one of our newer and younger members, who is a rising talent you need to hear!

In my previous letter, I outlined some of the programs your board has been planning for next season, and I will speak about some of them at our Annual Dinner (following the recital, at 6:00 pm). You will want to hear about our planned re-boot of the chapter organ scholarship initiative, a possible program at the Music Mansion in Providence featuring the unique, historic Estey organ there, the recital in November featuring two rising stars **Edward Landin** and **Colin MacKnight** (with a "guest appearance" by our **former National Vice-President Christian Lane**), and more! So please do come to the recital and dinner, bring a friend or family member, your minister, a choir member, or a student interested in the organ. Most importantly, bring your ideas and your enthusiasm!

And have a relaxing, inspiring and re-creative Summer! Do take advantage of the many workshops and courses that are out there (see the April and May issues of TAO), and if you feel up to the challenge of living with 2000 organists for a week, take in the AGO National Convention in Houston! I will be attending the Association of Anglican Musicians national conference in Stamford CT in June, and returning to England for the famous Three Choirs Festival (this year at glorious Gloucester Cathedral, where I was a Lay Clerk some years ago) in July.

I expect to hear many inspiring tales of "what I did on my Summer vacation" when we meet again the Fall!

All best wishes,  
*John Brooks, Dean*

*Editor's note:* As of this writing, Steve has had few responses. He writes, "It would be a shame to cancel it due to lack of interest." Let's not let that happen. Recitalists are practicing, the church is welcoming us, your board has planned an event to please. Respond NOW so that Steve can finalize plans.

*A happy and restful  
summer to all our members!*

## EVENT

**Sunday, June 5 at 5:00 pm:** Annual Members' Recital and Dinner Meeting. **Dean John Brooks, Sub-Dean Stephen Kirby, Patrick Aiken, and Michael Ryan** will begin the evening with a recital at Central Congregational Church, Providence. The recital will be followed by the meeting and a pot luck supper. See Dean's message for signing up so that Sub-Dean Steve Kirby can coordinate details.

## PLACEMENT LISTINGS

*Contact Brian Larkin (272-8318) for more details or changes.*

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Johannus digital/2 man 18 stps Salary 22K O/DM

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## EDITOR'S NOTE

Elections are customary at the annual meeting. However, for now, we are going with our officers and servers invested last year. We do hope members will respond affirmatively to the invitation to serve on the board. In the words of Dean Brooks, "It's not an onerous job, that's for sure!" So be ready to say "Yes!" to the invitation.

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### SUBMISSIONS

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