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FROM THE DEAN

Dean's Message

Dear fellow RIAGO Chapter members,

I hope that you are well and I am sure that you are busy as the Advent and Christmas seasons draw near. The liturgical year ends this month with the Solemnity of Christ the King, the exclamation point of the year before we begin again with the First Sunday in Advent on December 1st.

All of this means that you are already focusing on concerts, programs, services or Masses for which you must coordinate with clergy, choirs, congregations and committees. This may seem a burdensome task, yet we always live in joyful hope! Toward this end, our chapter invites you to two timely workshops in November. Specific information regarding both events is found in the events listings. I strongly encourage you to try to attend these events since much effort has been put into making them worthwhile.

I know that I ask you monthly to do your best in procuring ads for our commemorative ad book for the concert on March 7th at the Cathedral. Ads are coming in slowly, so before you get too busy in the Holy Seasons quickly approaching, please make an effort now to send in your ads. At the very least, I hope you can add your own name as a sponsor of the event. I sincerely thank you for your help in making this event a success.

We have been truly blessed by the Lord with whatever musical talents we have, and we have responded to this gift in the service of the church. This response brings us joy and fulfillment in such a way that others may not understand. The hours and responsibilities are many; however, our work in humble service brings joy to our hearts. We do our very best in an effort to use music to touch lives and spread the Gospel. Last year I used the words of Saint Francis and I repeat them now: "Preach the Gospel always and when necessary, use words." We try to do just that by our lives and by our music. What an awesome task has been entrusted to us as we assist our congregations to experience the joy of worshipping the Living God.

I sincerely thank you for all that you do to enrich our chapter by your membership and participation. I wish all of you a most blessed Thanksgiving. Be assured of a remembrance in my prayers as I hope you will remember me as well.

Philip Faraone

RIAGO SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 3 at 3:00pm: Chris Turner, harmonica, and Steven L. Jobe, viola and hurdy-gurdy, with Laura Gulley, violin; Rob Bethel, cello and Geoffrey Greene, piano & organ playing the premiere performance of Turner's Anglia Farewell Suite and compositions by Jobe. Suggested donation: \$5. Reception follows. Newman Congregational Church, 100 Newman Avenue, Rumford, RI. 434-4742.

November 3 at 4:00pm: Philip Martorella, organist, at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 15 Hayes Street, Providence

Saturday, November 9, 10:00am-12:00pm, RIAGO event:
Workshop on Blended Worship and Developing
Good Relations with Clergy, St. Michael's, Bristol.
This workshop centers on "the four Cs: Choir, Clergy,
Congregation, Committees." Note change of venue.

Sunday, November 17 at 3:00pm, RIAGO event:

lecture/demonstration entitled "New Findings for Bach Interpretation (with a side trip to Paris)"

presented by RIAGO member Beverly Jerold, performer and music historian who has published many articles about performance practice in national and international journals. Also, a book is in progress:

The Complexities of Early Instrumentation: Wind and Brass (Turnhout: Brepols), forthcoming in 2014 (Musical Treatises, 3). Cathedral of Sts. Peter and Paul, Providence.

Sunday November 17 at 4:00pm: Mark Steinbach,
Organist and director at St. Paul's Church,
Wickford, and Brown University Organist, presents
a lecture and demonstration of the life and music of
Anton Heiller, celebrating the composer's 90th
anniversary year. Free. St. Paul's Church, Wickford.
See details on this page.

REMINDER

If you have not changed the e-mail address for newsletter submissions, please note: altheaallard@gmail.com.

Also, email to receive the letter electronically to save the world a tree and RIAGO a stamp!

MEMBER MATTERS

Add to the Directory:

Welcome to new member **Waylon Whitley**, 66 Dana Street, Providence, RI 02906; 401-222-9322; Waylon.whitley@gmail.com

We extend condolences to the family of **Shirley Nordquist**, who died on October 21. Shirley was organist for many years at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Warwick, as well as organist at several other churches in the area. Donations in her memory may be directed to Bethany Lutheran Church, 116 Rolfe St., Cranston, RI 02910 or St. Paul Lutheran Church, 389 Greenwich Ave., Warwick, RI 02886. May she rest in peace.

STEINBACH PRESENTATION, CD

In commemoration of Viennese composer Anton Heiller's 90th anniversary year, Mark Steinbach, Brown University Organist, and Director of Music at St. Paul's Church, Wickford, will give a presentation on the life and music of Heiller, Sunday November 17 at 4:00pm at St. Paul's Church, Wickford. Steinbach, who studied Heiller's music on a Fulbright Grant in Vienna, will speak and perform music of Heiller on the Stuart mechanical-action organ. The presentation is free and the public is cordially invited. Steinbach has just released a new CD, Organ Works of Anton Heiller, on the Loft record label. Steinbach performs Heiller's recently discovered Passacaglia of 1940 and other works on the ideal "period instrument" for this program: the 1962 von Beckerath 4-manual (keyboards) and 66-stop mechanical-action pipe organ in the reverberant acoustic of St. Paul's Cathedral, Pittsburgh, PA. The CD will be available at the presentation and at www. gothic-catalog.com or iTunes.

PLACEMENT LISTINGS

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

First Congregational Church of Sharon (UCC) 2/13

N. Main St, Sharon, MA 02067

Martha MacMillin: 781-784-2631; 781-784-1816

O/Minister of Music 18-22K Roche 21 rks/3 man

5/13 Central Baptist Church

2 Union Sq, Norwich, CT 06360

Rev. Nancy Forsstrom, Pastor: 860.889.8313

D/M4 man Rodgers

Revival Deliverance Edificatio 5/13

122 Benefit Street, Pawtucket, RI

Jenae Jones: 617-833-3799 non denom.

O/Keyboard \$100/wk. make unknown \$100 wk.

St. Thomas Episcopal 7/13

111 High Street, Taunton, MA 02780

Rev. Richard Bardusch: FRRICH64@aol.com

508-824-9595

O/ChM Jardine-Roche/15-20K

8/13 Immanuel Lutheran

647 N. Main Street, Attleboro, MA

Michelle Davidson: 508-222-2898 ELCA

O/ChM Moeller/15-20K

St. Peter's by the Sea 8/13

72 Central Street, Narragansett, RI

Rev. R. Casey Shobe, 401-783-4623

O/ChM

Congregational Church of Mansfield, MA

17 West Street, Mansfield, MA

Carol Sosman Ham, 508-339-4793 Austin 2 manual

O/ChM Austin 2-manual/16K From the Sub-Dean

SUBSTITUTE LISTINGS

Contact Brian Larkin (272-8318) with changes.

AVAILABLE SUNDAYS & WEEKDAYS

Clarke, Margaret: 401-726-4128 (all)

Dupont, Jean-Richard: 401-434-8476 (all, no weddings/choirs)

Funk, Richard: 401-272-0693 (all) Goncharova, Natalya: 401-334-9157

Gourd, Jacqueline: 401-828-4057 (all, no weddings)

Johnson, Winfred: 401-847-8548 (interim) Kohl, Karen: 401-787-2695 (please inquire) Madubata, Chiduzie: 301-919-9632 (please inquire)

Morgan, James: 401-737-5398 (all)

Norton-Jackson, Diana: 401-783-0402 (no weddings, \$150 min)

Phelps, Howard: 508-224-8475 (please inquire)

Scheibert, Beverly Ierold: 508-339-0579 (all, weddings/funerals) Tagen, Julia L.: 401-885-7438 (all, weddings/funerals/interim)

Taylor, Terry: 401-253-9030 Vecchio, Gina: 401-954-2163

Vinson, Duncan: 401-932-8191 (July&Aug for Sun./weddings etc.)

Westhaver, Verna: 401-683-2636 (substitute/interim) Wiant, William: 401-683-3178 (all, weddings/funerals) Wilson, Lawrence: 860-857-5493 (please inquire)

AVAILABLE WEEKDAYS ONLY

Black, John: 401-245-2356 (all, available Saturdays & weekdays)

Brown, Ronald: 508-222-0824 (funerals only)

Cienniwa, Paul: 617-466-9042 (\$150 min, no Sun. a.m.)

Conboy, Lois: 401-658-3838 (please inquire) Hart, Kathy: 401-837-8873 (funerals)

Larkin, Brian: 401-272-8318 (weddings/memorials/funerals/consultant)

Lee, Saeah: 781-664-3958 (weekdays/Sat. RC masses; no Sunday)

Markham, Susan: 401-821-6786 (no Sun. a.m.) Martorella, Philip: 401-885-3431 (no Sun. a.m.)

Nicholson, Nancy: 401-521-9097 (all)

Nolan, Robert: 401-884-7172 (available to provide all needs)

Sobaje, Martha: 401-626-0099 (weddings, funerals)

Valentine, Bro. Enoch J: 401-440-4784 (all, weddings/funerals)

FROM THE SUB-DEAN

Hi everyone,

This is a reminder about the workshop Saturday, Nov 9, 10:00-noon at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Bristol.

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We'll discuss two really important topics:

- 1. Getting along with everyone: clergy, choirs, committees and congregations
- 2. Balancing changing styles of music in worship

Please come and bring appropriate church folk with you. More participants means more balanced, informed, interesting conversation!

PLEASE join us.

KathvHart

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.