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## FROM THE DEAN

This past weekend I had the opportunity to attend a Dean's Retreat in Framingham, Massachusetts, for all of the Region I Chapter Deans. It was a very productive time of planning and sharing. As I reflect on the weekend, three things stand out in my mind, and I would like to mention them to you:

1. You can go to our national website at [www.agohq.org](http://www.agohq.org) and it will provide an opportunity for you to assist the hurricane victims. I found the Dean's message particularly interesting.
2. Anyone who wants to take the service-playing exam should "go for it." Someone will come from Boston to teach a class for any and all who are interested, and he says that he "can help anyone to pass." (Let me know of your interest so that I can arrange this.)
3. National has issued a Chapter Challenge for the "Each One, Reach One" campaign. The challenge is four-fold: 1) Appoint a Membership Coordinator. 2) Implement ideas from the list of "100 Ways to Encourage and Maintain Membership." 3) Establish an internet presence. 4) Have a net increase of at least 5% among the voting membership. I will need everyone's help in meeting the challenge put to us by National. So, you will be hearing much more about this throughout the year.

*Martha*

## HELP FOR AGO HURRICANE VICTIMS

The American Guild of Organists is developing a program to provide support to AGO members displaced from homes and jobs due to Hurricane Katrina. A website has been established to provide job listings and services available to members of the New Orleans and South Mississippi Chapters at [www.agohq.org/chapters/hurricanekatrinarelief](http://www.agohq.org/chapters/hurricanekatrinarelief). To submit information for this website, e-mail [hurricanerelief@agohq.org](mailto:hurricanerelief@agohq.org). All donations received for hurricane relief will be allocated to support AGO members and chapters affected by the storm. Checks made payable to AGO, with memo line marked "Hurricane Relief" may be mailed to AGO National Headquarters, Hurricane Relief, 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1260, New York, NY 10115. Contributions can be made online at [www.agohq.org/contributions](http://www.agohq.org/contributions).

## A CAPELLA WORKSHOP

Saturday, October 22, 1:30 PM

This month's meeting is an informative workshop led by RIAGO member **William Haffner-Jones** entitled "How to Do A Cappella Singing With Your Choir." Watch your mailbox for location and directions.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Elizabeth Norfrey passed the Service Playing exam. Her hard work paid off!

## THE POWER OF ADVERTISING

Members who would like to advertise an event can send out flyers through the newsletter at the low cost of \$10. Contact the newsletter editor, Althea Allard, to determine the number needed and arrange delivery. (401) 728-4431.

## CHOIR PERFORMANCE LISTINGS

Have your choir performances added to Glenn Giuttari's listing available via e-mail: Glenn Giuttari, ACDA - Community Choirs Chair for RI, 9 Chestnut Street, Rehoboth, MA 02769. (508) 252-4304 or (800) 252-4304; fax: (508) 252-4397; [www.harpsichord.com/sinenomine](http://www.harpsichord.com/sinenomine).

## AN INVITATION

If you are in the Big Apple on Sunday, October 2 at 3 PM, come to the First Reformed Episcopal Church at 317 East 50<sup>th</sup> Street for an organ recital by **Diana Norton-Jackson**. In addition to works by J.S. Bach, Gigout, Guilman, Widor and others, the program will feature two of Mozart's *Church Sonatas for Organ and Strings* with a trio from Julliard. The church has a three-manual Schantz.

## OCTOBER PIPEDREAMS

Go to [pipedreams.org](http://pipedreams.org) for complete listings and resources.

**#0540 - An Italian Rhapsody** - With soloist Massimo Nosetti we explore a seldom heard yet charming and characterful repertoire from five centuries, played on period instruments.

**#0541 - On Peachtree Road** - A large new instrument by Mander Organs of England brings resplendent opportunity to a prospering United Methodist congregation in Atlanta, Georgia.

**#0542 - Bach, Beethoven and Brahms** - would "The Three B's" ever have imagined being represented by organ music in quite this way?!

**#0543 - Recorded in Concert** - American artists on American-built instrument showcase a kaleidoscope of colors and styles.

**#0544 - Virtuoso On the Road** - A visit with British organist David Briggs, heard in performances recorded in England, California, and Minnesota.

## EVENTS

**Sunday, September 25, 3 PM:**

**Geoffrey Greene** plays works by Buxtehude, Bach, Daquin, Handel, and Vierne in a Dedicatory Organ Concert for the new Ahlborn-Galanti Chronicer III organ combined with pipes from the original Austin organ at St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Church. 577 Wood St., Bristol; 253-8366.

**Monday, October 3, 8 AM:**

Morning Munch at the Cinnamon Cafe, 300 Quaker Lane, Warwick.

**Sunday, October 16, 3 PM:**

Part of the Boston AGO Chapter's Centennial Celebration: The Choir of Westminster Abbey, **James O'Donnell**, director, **Robert Quinney**, organ, perform works of Byrd, Purcell, Gibbons, Britten, Howells, Walton. Trinity Church, Copley Square. Admission: \$40 pref. seating/\$20 general/\$10 students & seniors. Info: [www.bostonago.com](http://www.bostonago.com). Tickets: (617)867-0252 or [WestminsterAbbeyTickets@yahoo.com](mailto:WestminsterAbbeyTickets@yahoo.com).

**Thursday, October 20, 7:00 and 7:45 PM:**

Gallery Night Organ Concerts by **David Clyle Morse**. Informal and informative short concerts with a wide range of music including transcriptions. Mathewson Street United Methodist Church, 134 Mathewson St., Providence. 331-8900. FREE.

**Sunday, October 23, 3 PM:**

**David Martinez**, Music for Organ, Trumpet and Cantors, featuring **Craig Shadday** from the Newport Navy Band. St. Mary's Catholic Church, corner of Memorial Blvd. and Spring St., Newport. Free-will offering.

**Friday, October 28, 7:30PM:**

Newport Baroque Orchestra, **Paul Cienniwa**, director; *Handel and Pachelbel at Trinity Church*, One Queen Anne Sq., Newport, \$20. 855-0687; [info@newportbaroque.org](mailto:info@newportbaroque.org)

**Friday, October 28, 8 PM:**

"CABARET" featuring *Next Generation - New Writers of the Great American Songbook*. **Eric Bronner**, tenor; **Eric Mazonson**, piano. Kingston Congregational Church, Fellowship Hall, 2610 Kingstown Rd, Kingston. Admission, \$10.

**Sunday, November 13, 3 PM:**

Feature concert by **David Clyle Morse** at Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, 30 Fenner St., Providence. Works of Dupré, Handel, Bach and others. Donation. Call David at 486-0244 for more information.

## PLACEMENT LISTING

Church of the Ascension (Episcopal) 7/05  
390 Pontiac Ave., Cranston, RI 02920  
F. Leon Sibielski (401) 944-2258  
Organist \$8,000-10,000 Hook & Hastings

## BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be Monday, November 14, at 7:30 PM at Phillips Memorial Baptist Church, Cranston.



## COUNTDOWN TO CHICAGO!

For the first time in the history of the American Guild of Organists, three chapters have joined forces to present an AGO National Convention and welcome you to magnificent Chicago! From July 2 to 6 we will do our best to give you an unforgettable musical adventure! We are about to announce our entire star studded lineup: extraordinary performers, programs, choirs, venues, and opportunities to grow. In addition to workshops, class ensembles, performers, dining and shopping, you will have the chance to experience one of the most wonderful fireworks displays anywhere. It is also a chance to celebrate the centenary of the Chicago Chapter. Visit our website from the AGO home page, [www.agohq.org](http://www.agohq.org) for updates and venue information. See you in the Windy City!

*Dr. Dennis E. Northway Ch.M.*  
Promotions Chair, ChicAGO 2006 Convention

## SUBSTITUTE LISTINGS

Janice Aubin: 568-6571 (non-lit)  
Laura Brion: 578-4491 (weddings, funerals)  
Ron Brown: (508) 643-9062 (all), \$125 min  
Margaret Clark: 726-4128 (all)  
Lois Conboy: 658-3838 (weddings, funerals)  
Joan Daly: 943-5191 (weddings, funerals)  
Donald Dame: 647-4564 (weddings, funerals)  
Richard Funk: 351-7299 (all)  
Christopher Gage: 632-1863/ 438-2730 (all, no weddings/funerals)  
Andrew Galuska: 233-1363 (all)  
Diana Norton Jackson: 783-0402 (no RC), \$150 min.  
William Jones: 848-4327 (weddings, funerals)  
Brian Larkin: 272-8318 (all), \$150 min.  
Mary Jane Lide: 245-8331 (all)  
Philip Martorella: 885-3431 (weddings, funerals)  
Elsie McNeill: (508) 673-2583 (all)  
David Clyde Morse: 486-0244 (all, no Sun. AM)  
David Norfrey: 521-2839 (weddings, funerals)  
Donna O'Malley: 247-2673; 497-1931 (wedding, funerals, all)  
Brian Page: 359-3222 (all, \$100 min.)  
Howard Phelps: 821-8475 (no RC)  
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Martha Sobaje: 823-8024/ 467-3300x3 (weddings, funerals, no RC)  
Mary Strachan: 884-5671 (all), \$125 min.  
Pamela Stuerke: 884-4648 (no RC, no funerals)  
Julie Tagen: 885-7438 (weddings, funerals)  
Terry Taylor: 253-9030 (no RC)  
Verna Westhaver: 682-2636 (sub/interim)  
Jerry White: 884-2924 (West Bay area, no Catholic), \$150 min.  
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Cape Cod newsletter online: [www.capecodago.org](http://www.capecodago.org)

## FROM THE EDITOR

Submissions for the November newsletter are due by October 20, by e-mail or snail mail, with e-mail preferred: [aallard@ccri.edu](mailto:aallard@ccri.edu)

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