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This One You REALLY Won't Want to Miss!!!!

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n pursuit of our objective of Bold Public Visibility, the chapter proudly presents the internationally-acclaimed virtuoso **Nathan Laube** in concert at the Irvine Auditorium of the University of Pennsylvania on Sunday, February 20, 2010 at 4:00 PM.

This is truly an event not to be missed by our membership as well as the concert-going community at large. Nathan Laube's performances are exciting, entertaining, and inspiring. Our own chapter member, Dennis Elwell, writing about Nathan after his performance during the 2010 AGO National Convention, describes him as having "displayed impeccable technique, exceptional registration creativity, and artistic skill beyond his years . . ."

As always with our special programs, this wonderful concert opportunity is provided to our membership and the community free of charge.

Another aspect of this program is the venue - the famed **Irvine Auditorium**. It showcases one of the most prestigious instruments in our chapter's geographic area, achieving one of the goals for this year's programming. And thanks to the efforts of Program and Executive Committee member Paul Marchesano, we have been accorded great consideration by the University of Pennsylvania in obtaining the use of Irvine Auditorium for the Feburary event.



So the rest is up to you, our chapter members, whose faithful and continued support of the chapter and indeed the Guild in general makes it possible for us to present worthwhile and truly memorable programs such as Nathan Laube's concert. This is an event that is truly a tribute to that support, and we would encourage every member to please save this important date and endeavor to bring friends and family alike. No one will be disappointed, to be sure!

The February issue of Crescendo will contain more detail about the organ and the concert itself as well as other information such as parking availability and access to the Irvine Auditorium.

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DEAN'S LETTER

In *My Two-Year-Old Eats Octopus*, Nancy Tringali Piho writes of taking her two-and-ahalf-year-old son to a restaurant in Miami:

"We began our meal by ordering a Ceviche appetizer to share. The large platter contained calamari, octopus, and shrimp 'cooked' in the traditional lemon and lime juices, along with baked plantains and a smattering of local diced sweet onions. It looked absolutely delicious."



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"As he had been taught (or perhaps trained) to do after so many previous experiences in restaurants, Willie asked the waiter to bring him a small teaspoon. The waiter smiled as he complied, asking, 'Is he really going to eat that?'

" 'Mmmmm! Octopus!' Willie squealed at the first bite. 'More octopus!'

"His enthusiasm and delight were contagious, attracting attention and comments from diners at several nearby tables.

" 'I can't believe that child is eating Ceviche,' one grandmotherly-looking woman said. 'He loves it!' her companion noted, adding, 'The kids I know would never try something like that.' "

Piho continues her delightful book with a number of suggestions for expanding the palates of children. Regarding her own son, she notes, "The more exposure he has had to different cuisines, the more he has come to understand how to taste 'real' foods and how their flavors contrast with foods that are run-of-the-mill, overly processed, or 'flavorenhanced' with chemical sugars or inexpensive deep-frying. As a result, we have seen him develop a happy appreciation for the joy that food can bring to one's life."

As I listened to the interviews of Piho that surrounded the release of her treatise, I was struck by the descriptions of all-too-common parental attitudes and behavior concerning their children's eating habits. Many parents simply look for the "easy way out." They acquiesce to a child's whining and ultimately end up serving steady diets of fast food, deepfried and overly processed courses, accompanied by the empty calories of many carbonated beverages and other packaged sweets.

Interestingly, the parental behavior toward food is similar to attitudes of some in the church toward music. Far too many leaders acquiesce to the whining about the congregational song that is employed during Advent. They find the "easy way out" and ensure that the hymnody of December is focused not on the penitential preparation, but immediately rushes to Christmas. In another portion of the liturgical year, I encountered a priest who required that all hymnody be chosen from a short list of some 20 hymns, regardless of any connection to lections or the overall service theme. Other worship leaders are rushing to employ overly processed instrumental music, devoid of "substance".

We can see the effects of this fast food culture on the health of the population of these United States. Current projections are that the obesity rate will hit 42%. That increase is a harbinger of the many accompanying medical problems that will face those whose diet has taken the "easy way out." JОЕ

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REGISTRAR'S CORNER

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

L E W I S ,

At publication time we stand at 364 members. We welcome brand new member Richard J. D'Angelo from Philadelphia to the Chapter. Please greet him warmly at our upcoming chapter events.

REGISTRAR

DATA UPDATES

Since the publication of our 2011 Membership Directory, various new pieces of information have come in. Please update your Directories to include them:

Dr. Virtner Hynes: new email address is vhynes@att.net; new cell number is 267-934-4420; please remove fax and work phone numbers from the listing.

Richard J. D'Angelo: (new listing) 18 E. Abington Ave, Philadelphia PA 19118; h215-248-1582, cell 617-513-8837, fax 617-249-1733; email address is: wolf@channelwolves.com

REDUCED DUES PROGRAM

Tthis is the time of year when the National AGO office will again sponsor a special REDUCED DUES RATE for the remainder of the current membership year (ending 6/30/2011). This reduced rate is for NEW MEMBERS ONLY who join between February 1 - March 31, 2011. This rate allows these new members to still receive nine monthly issues of The American Organist (beginning with the March 2011 issue) and, of course, our local Crescendo (through the June 2011 issue). This is a great way to get anticipated new members to become part of the chapter prior to the start of our normal May/June membership drive, and for them to receive TAO sooner rather than waiting for the usual first issue in December (TAO subscriptions normally run Dec.1 - Nov. 30).

JANUARY JUMPSTART: 1/15/2011, 8:15AM to 4PM

Stop by the Registration table to say hello. Printed information about the Reduced Dues Program that National offers yearly for brand new members will be available. But mostly, come and enjoy a wide variety of workshops, a brief Worship Service with Dr. James Carter and Dr. Charles Callahan, browsing for new and recycled music scores, and hob-knobbing with fellow musical wizards. This event involves multiple chapters and is hailed nationally as one of the best in the USA!

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

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Tuesday, January 4, 12:00 Noon

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Tuesday, January 11, 12:00 Noon

Young Shim, organ, in AGO Tuesday Noon recital series at St. Luke's United Church of Christ, 125 N. Main St. (Sumneytown Pike), North Wales PA 215-368-2884 www.stlukesnorthwales.org

Saturday, January 15, 8:00 PM

Alan Morrison, faculty recital. Free admission. Field Concert Hall. Curtis Institute of Music, 1726 Locust St, Philadelphia PA 215.893.5252 www.curtis.edu

Tuesday, January 18, 12:00 Noon

Marian Archibald, organ, in AGO Tuesday Noon recital series at St. Luke's United Church of Christ, 125 N. Main St. (Sumneytown Pike), North Wales PA 215-368-2884 www.stlukesnorthwales.org

Sunday, January 23, 3:00 PM

Alan Morrison, Mimi Stillman (flute), Yumi Kendall (cello). \$20-General, \$15 - Seniors, \$10 - Students. Dolce Suono Series. www.mimistillman.org/dolcesuono/concert First Baptist Church, 17th & Sansom Sts, Philadelphia (Center City) PA 215.563.3853 www.firstbaptistphiladelphia.org

Tuesday, January 25, 12:00 Noon

Adam F. Dieffenbach, organ, in AGO Tuesday Noon recital series at St. Luke's United Church of Christ, 125 N. Main St. (Sumneytown Pike), North Wales PA 215-368-2884 www.stlukesnorthwales.org

Saturday, January 29, 3:00 PM

Children's Symphony Concert: "The Legend of Old Befana". A piece for narrator and orchestra by Julia Scott Carey with watercolors from Tomie dePaola's book. Free admission. Snow date: 1/30. Abington Presbyterian Church, 1082 Old York Rd, Abington PA 215.887.4530 www.apcusa.org/MusicatAbington

Sunday, January 30, 4:00 PM

Heefner Recital Series. Alan Morrison, Mimi Stillman (flute), Yumi Kendall (cello). www.mimistillman.org/dolcesuono/concert Ursinus College - Bomberger Hall, Collegeville PA 610.409.3000 www.ursinus.edu Dean's Message Continued from page 2

Likewise, those churches whose music programs take the "easy way out," staying within narrow diets of overly processed or easily digestible music, may also see their health problems soon grow. Such diets do not provide long-standing sustenance. "Fast food" diets in music and liturgy threaten to erode the spiritual and mental health of the population.

Some in leadership capacity may wish to give in to whines of "I didn't know that hymn," or "I don't like that kind of music." Just as young children will bawl incessantly when they do not get the fast food they've seen in advertising, so will some parishioners complain when we offer the best hymnody, organ literature, or choral anthems that span the centuries. As when dealing with the children who may not want to eat their Brussels sprouts, we must not be deterred, but keep offering the balanced diet.

For the health of our nation and our churches, we must do our part to avoid the pitfalls of acquiescence. We must continue to expose our congregations to the best of musical offerings, providing the richness of centuries of musical legacy. Just as Ms. Piho can say, "My two-year-old eats octopus," we should strive for the day when each of us can assert, "My congregation loves Messiaen," "My pastor adores Reger," "My youth choir had a blast singing Schoenberg," "The children in Sunday School delight in singing Bach chorales," or "Our junior high ensemble jammed on Gesualdo."

Happy New Year!

David Beatty



JANUARY JUMPSTART Mary Elizabeth Campbell and Sue Petura	Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church 625 Montgomery Ave Bryn Mawr, PA				
here's still time to register for the January Jumpstart, our very own widely acclaimed 'Mini-Convention.' The JJ is again being hosted by Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Ave., Bryn Mawr. Registration begins at 8:15, the first classes begin at 8:45 and the final classes wrap up at 4:00. Come for all or part, join AGO friends and colleagues for 'A workshop for the church musician seeking new ideas for a new year.'					
Special Note - Jeffrey Brillhart would like to know in advance, if possible, how many people plan to perform in his session on Improvisation Techniques - please notify Paul Marchesano (see Registration below) if you would like to play.					
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"Perspectives on the Choral Rehearsal: Philosophies and Rehearsal Techniques" *William Payn*, educator, choral director, handbell director, and composer. Bucknell University



"Improvisation Techniques" *Jeffrey Brillhart*, concert organist, choral director, and educator. Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church and Yale University.

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"Organ Repertoire Ideas for Worship" Rebecca Kleintop-Owens, Bethlehem

"Spiritual Drumming" Jonathan Whitney, Wilmington, DE

"Organ Basics: A Survival Guide for Pianists" Rudolph Lucente, Philadelphia

"AGO Exams: The Proof is in the Pudding" Ethel Geist, AGO Region III Chair of Education, Abington

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Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church 625 Montgomery Ave Brvn Mawr. PA

FROM THE TOP!

Our chapter member Karen Christianson, student of Alan Morrison, will be featured on the national radio show From The Top to air locally on WRTI on January 2, 2011. It was taped in Texas in November at the First Baptist Church in Abilene. She is performing "Everyone Dance" by Calvin Hampton on the Shelton Organ, a 4 manual - 71 rank instrument built by Nichols and Simpson in 2006.

It's a big deal to be selected for that program, but a HUGE deal considering they RARELY have organists. She's not the first, but one of the very few in the history of the program mostly due to the fact that their venues for taping are usually not equipped with organs.

The promo from WRTI notes that this show, hosted by planist Christopher O'Riley, is # 223 and will also feature several other remarkable teen performers.

Submitted by Alan Morrison







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Little Zion Lutheran Church - Indianfield 267 Morwood Road, Telford, PA 18969

Two weekly Sunday services (7:45 am and 10:15 am) with choir rehearsal on Thursday nights; responsible for playing the organ (two manual Reuter, 12 Ranks) and accompanying the senior choir at the 10:15 am service only; average hours per week required: 6, with a per-Sunday rate of \$150. If interested, contact Gayle Keyes: 215-723-8543; or email gm.keyes@yahoo.com.

INTERIM MINISTER OF MUSIC

St. Peter's Episcopal Church 654 N. Easton Rd., Glenside, PA 19038 215-887-1765 stpeter654@aol.com

St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Glenside, Montgomery County, PA is seeking an Interim Minister of Music. Responsibilities include:

• Playing the organ for the 10 a.m. service throughout the church year (including Christmas and Holy Week services as well as other special services),

Selecting and preparing musical selections for the services,

Assisting the Rector, Worship Committee and choir in the planning of services, and

• Directing the choir.

The position requires an average of 8-12 hours per week (Sunday morning along with a Thursday evening rehearsal and a monthly Worship Committee meeting). We have a four manual pipe organ of 50 ranks, predominantly Aeolian-Skinner. Interested candidates should send their resumes and references to the Rev. Emily Richards at the address or e-mail above.

MUSIC DIRECTOR

St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church 50 W. Walker Road, Wayne, PA 19087 610-687-3366

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ORGANIST/BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR

Paoli Presbyterian Church 225 S. Valley Road, Paoli, PA 19301 610-644-8250

Paoli Presbyterian Church is seeking a part-time Church Organist/ Bell Choir Director who possesses an open and engaging style of ministry. Principal duties include: providing keyboard music for the 7:30 am Chapel service; providing keyboard assistance at the 11am worship service; and rehearsing and directing the adult Bell Choir. B.A. in music, excellent keyboard skills, and recent bell choir training and experience required. 10 hours/week. Salary starting at \$12,500. For further information contact Director of Music, Jonathan Kreamer (jkkreamer@paolipres.org) and/or Jonathan Mikesell, church Business Administrator (jonathan.mikesell@paolipres.org / 610-644-8250).

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Aldersgate United Methodist Church 2313 Concord Pike Wilmington, DE 19803 302-478-2575 www.aldersgatede.org

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ORGANIST

Old Swedes Church 7th and Church Streets, Wilmington, DE

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New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church (NHELC) is searching for a part-time Music Director with

• A commitment to Jesus Christ, with a background/experience in liturgical worship

- Strong communication skills at all age levels
- Programmatic innovation/flexibility/adaptability
- · Proficiency in the position responsibilities

• Suitable academic background and/or related job experience

Musical diversity

Strong organizational skills (computer literate skills necessary)

- A team player
- Musical creativity

Primary responsibilities – Work collaboratively with the Worship and Music Committee, the Senior Pastor, and any other music program staff members in coordinating music and choirs for all worship services; serve as the organist/pianist for all worship services; provide direction and accompaniment for vocal and handbell choirs for both adults and youths

Key Instruments – 1986 Schantz organ (2 manual, 19 ranks), 2009 Boston upright piano, Schulmerich bells (3 octaves), Schulmerich chimes, Orff instruments (various), all meticulously maintained.

Support – Musically talented congregation, competent leaders, responsive choirs; rehearsal and office space provided; salary commensurate with experience; 4 Sundays paid vacation; continuing education allowance, music budget, large music library.

Position to be fulfilled by one or more musicians depending on the skills and expectations of potential candidates. To inquire,send resume or questions to nhelc@comcast.net or Music Program Task Force, 2941 Lutheran Road, Gilbertsville, PA 19525. More information at www.newhanoverlutheran.org

ORGANIST / KEYBOARDIST -CHOIR ACCOMPANIST

Our Lady of the Rosary Church 80 S. 17th Ave. Coatesville, PA 19320

Our Lady of the Rosary Church is seeking an Adult Choir accompanist. This is an established choir with a Director. Responsibilities include: one Sunday mass a month – alternating 8:30 and 10:00 a.m., weekly Wednesday night rehearsals. We also sing Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, Easter, and Confirmation. Other masses are available as needed. Compensation is \$75.00 per unit of service. We have an Allen organ and a Yamaha Clavinova. For more information, contact Gail Mascherino at 610-696-8338 or send e-mail to lifejc87@aol.com

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR

St. Mark's Episcopal Church 1040 Chestnut Tree Rd, Honey Brook, PA 19344 (610) 942-2365

St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Honey Brook, Chester County, PA is seeking an Organist and Choir Director. This is job is an average of 8 to 12 hours per week plus special services. St. Mark's has one service most Sundays. The duties of the Director would include preparation, planning and music selection, practice, choir rehearsal and worship services. Resumes and qualifications for this position should be sent to: Jim Wagner, 3083 Creek Road, Honey Brook PA 19344. Please direct any inquiries to the Rev. Elizabeth Evans: 610-247-1725 (cell) or eeevans269@aol.com

MUSIC DIRECTOR

First Presbyterian Church 315 Cameron Rd. Willow Grove, PA 19090 (215) 659-5938

First Presbyterian Church of Willow Grove, PA, seeks a part-time Music Director to lead us in glorifying God through excellent worship music in a variety of styles and instrumentation, and representing a full range of sacred music. There is one Sunday worship service, an adult choir (10-12 voices) and a small bell choir. There is one weekly rehearsal. The service is largely traditional but we seek a repertoire that includes excellent current music as well.

We will consider all candidates but preference will be given to those with a degree or certificate in music, and with experience in organ performance, directing vocal and bell choirs and leading congregational worship.

Instruments: A newly refurbished and electronically enhanced 2-manual Wicks organ, a baby grand piano, a rehearsal piano, and 3 octaves of handbells.

The position is for 12-15 hours per week (less in summer months). Salary is commensurate with level of experience, \$15,000 minimum.

A complete job description is available on our website: www.firstpreswg.org. Please send resume to First Presbyterian Church, 315 Cameron Rd. Willow Grove, PA 19090, or FAX to 215-659-2967.

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ORGANIST/CHOIR ACCOMPANIST

St Peter's Pikeland United Church of Christ 1193 Clover Mill Road, Chester Springs, PA 19423 610-933-6419 www.stpeterspikeland.org

St. Peter's Pikeland UCC is a family-oriented church with a highly valued music ministry. We are seeking an Organist/Choir Accompanist to join our music ministry. St. Peter's, located in Chester County near Philadelphia, has an established music program supporting a traditional worship service with Adult and Children's Choirs. Responsibilities include: Providing traditional worship service music and accompanying Adult and Children's Choirs; one traditional 10:00 a.m. service; Thursday evening Adult Choir rehearsal; Sunday morning Children's Choir rehearsal; Availability for other services as needed, including weddings and funerals. Instruments include an Allen 2-manual Digital Organ, piano, and Clavinova CVP30. Other opportunities exist for musical leadership, such as a Handbell Choir, Compensation is in the \$10,000-12,000 range and is based upon experience. A complete job description is available from St. Peter's Pikeland UCC, and more information about our church is available at our website, www.stpeterspikeland.org.

For further information and to apply, write St. Peter's Pikeland United Church of Christ, Attn: Organist/Choir Accompanist Search Leader, 1193 Clover Mill Road, Chester Springs, PA, 19425; or email St. Peter's at stpetersuc@verizon.net; or phone the Church office at 610-933-6419.

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church Folcroft, PA 610- 583-4977

St. John's is seeking a church musician to provide musical leadership to enhance our worship experience. Responsibilities include:

• Playing the organ or electric piano for all services throughout the church year (one Sunday morning service, mid-week Lenten services and other festival services throughout the year)

• Selecting and preparing preludes, offertories and postludes appropriate to the day/liturgical season

• Planning, in consultation with the pastor and worship and music committee, special services (i.e. Thanksgiving, Good Friday, weddings, funerals etc).

• Selecting anthems for and directing the choir.

The position involves approximately 6-10 hours per week (Sunday morning along with evening choir rehearsal during the week). Interested candidates should email weiserl@verizon.net or contact the church office at the number above.





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JANUARY



St. Luke's United Church of Christ 125 N. Main St (Sumneytown Pike), North Wales, PA 19454 215-368-2884 www.stlukesnorthwales.org

The January Tuesday Noons will be hosted by St. Luke's United Church of Christ in North Wales, Jon Leight, Music Director. The performers represent a wonderful and varied sampling of our talented members.

The organ was originally an Estey financed in part by Andrew Carnegie. It was extensively rebuilt by Mudler-Hunter in 1967 and is currently maintained by Steven Emery. The organ consists of three divisions, 893 pipes, 15 ranks, 17 stops, 13 voices, and 1 percussion instrument

January 4 - Vincent M. Ryan

Advent Lutheran Church, Harleysville Published Octavo composer

January 11 - Young Shim

Music educator, substitute organist at St. Luke's UCC Organ Performance graduate, Chong Shin Music University, Seoul, South Korea

January 18 - **Marian Archibald** St. Luke's United Church of Christ, North Wales

January 25 - **Adam F. Dieffenbach**, MMus Zwingli United Church of Christ, Souderton

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Ring in the New Year!

(sorry - I couldn't resist)

I have the great joy of working with a Hand Bell ensemble at my church, and I think it's fair to say that it's the group with the best attendance and cohesiveness in our music program.



While I got a kick out of a long time and faithful AGO member's quip that his church position gets the 'No Bell Prize,' I personally have to sing the praises of Bells as part of an active music ministry. Our group is a combination of teens and adults and is an ideal vehicle for involving a range of folks who might otherwise not take part in music. They play (about once per month) bell repertoire but also regularly accompany service music and hymns, which lends a delightful extra dimension to worship.

There are many opportunities to experience bells in workshops throughout our area. The American Guild of English Handbell Ringers (AGEHR) has a regional presence providing support, education and workshop opportunities. We're in Region II which includes New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Ontario with a web address of www.area2agehr.org. Collaboration between the AGO and sister organizations in worship and music, such as the AGEHR, can be mutually beneficial - we all grow!

If you don't have bells and are curious, take the workshop offered at the Jumpstart or in other venues - or seek out ringers in your community to show you the ropes. If you are not in a position to plunge in with deep pockets to 4 octaves of Schulmerich, Malmark or Whitechapel bells, then perhaps you might get your feet wet with Tone Chimes or Hand Chimes, available through the same companies and Suzuki, among others.

One final note - I was extremely proud of a young man in our group, now a college sophomore, who won one of the ACMP Young Musician awards in 2009. He continues to ring enthusiastically and has become remarkably skilled - it's delightful to watch him in action!

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