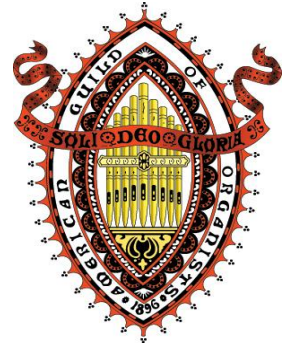


MIXTURES



FEBRUARY 2015

DEAN'S MESSAGE:

I think everyone who attended the Wanamaker Organ DVD presentation last Saturday will agree with me that it was a very impressive and entertaining event. Our thanks to Richard Hedgebeth for putting in many hours editing the two DVDs, and also for making another informative 16 page handout (he did one last year on the St. Sulpice organ in Paris) giving us a great deal of information about the Wanamaker Organ, including its history and the complete stop list. You should note that the two DVDs used in the presentation will now be put in our Chapter's library at Grace Lutheran Church for circulation to any interested member (contact Jean Henssler for library access).

The next two Chapter events will take place at 10:00 a.m. on February 14 and March 14 at Main Street Baptist Church in Binghamton, featuring the DVD set produced and recently issued by Fugue State Films on the life and works of Cesar Franck. The set includes: 1) a biographical documentary; 2) an introduction to and practical analysis of the 12 great Franck organ works; 3) organ performance practice in Franck's time; 4) the organ at Sainte-Clotilde; 5) commentary on Franck's collection of works, *L'organiste* (written for the harmonium); and 6) performances of the 12 major organ works, as well as performances of selected works from *L'organiste*. You might want to bring your Franck scores with you for both events.

Please note that Jonathan Biggers' recital on February 15 at BU has been cancelled, but he will be playing on a recital February 22, 4:00 pm, at Grace Episcopal Church in Elmira, honoring organ builder Father A. Richard Strauss. He will be joined by Annette Richards, David Yearsley, and Gerald Wolfe. I will send out a separate message to the membership closer to the date so that we can arrange for transportation and, most likely, a dinner to follow. I highly recommend this

recital to you, not only for the prominence of the performers, but to have our members join in the homage to the remarkable career of our friend, Richard Strauss.

I know it is only February, but several members are making plans to attend the regional convention in New Haven this summer. If you are planning to go, please contact Jean Henssler so that we can arrange for transportation and accommodations.

Don't let a little cold weather keep you from joining us in the upcoming events. You will be warmly received if you come along with us.

John

PHOTO GALLERY...



Richard Hedgebeth, Presenter



Lunch and Fellowship after the Lecture

NOTE from RICHARD HEDGEBETH...

In doing the handout for the presentation I neglected to make the appropriate credits. The History and Stop List are taken from the Friends of the Wanamaker website with a bit of editing for the print format. The cover photo is by Joe Routon, previously used on the website in recognition of the organ's centennial.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

*****Recital Cancelled:** The recital scheduled for February 15th at BU by Jonathan Biggers has been cancelled.

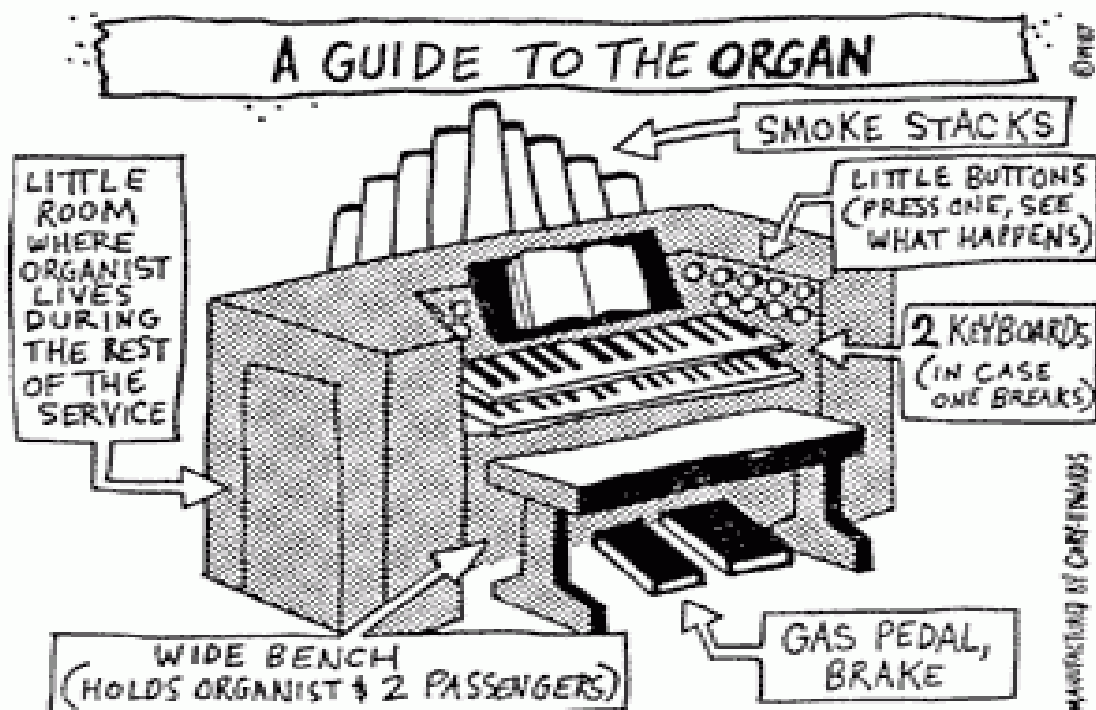
February 14: Saturday, 10:00am: Cesar Franck DVD Part 1
To be held at Main St. Baptist Church, Binghamton

February 22: Sunday, 4:00pm: Tribute Recital sponsored by Music at Grace
To be held at Grace Episcopal Church, Elmira

FROM OUR NEIGHBORS...

Special Tribute - 2/22/15:

From Music at Grace: A Tribute Recital Honoring Organ Builder, Father A. Richard Strauss. Organists: Jonathan Biggers, Annette Richards, David Yearsley, and Gerald Wolfe will perform a variety of organ works honoring the craftsmanship, accomplishments, and friendship of A. Richard Strauss. Father Strauss is a native of Elmira with a degree in Music from Ithaca College. While serving local parishes as organist, he first became an organ builder and later an Episcopal Priest, recently retiring from many years of serving the parish of Willard, NY. He took over the rebuilding of the Grace Church Organ in the 1990's, completing the new Solo division in 2009. Grace Episcopal Church 375 W. Church St (corner Davis St.) Elmira, NY 4:00 PM Admission is free.



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BINGHAMTON AGO EVENTS CALENDAR FOR 2014-15

- *February 14: 10:00 am Franck DVD 1 (Main St Baptist)
- *March 14: 10:00 am Franck DVD 2 (Main St. Baptist)
- *April 18: (TBA) Craig Phillips workshop (Place: TBA)
- *April 19: Craig Phillips recital (UPC)
- May 17: Madrigal Choir Concert
- *June 7: 4:00pm Members' Recital St. Paul's Owego. Dinner at Treadway Inn
- *Chapter sponsored and co-sponsored events and recitals by Binghamton AGO Members