

Mixtures

The Organ of the Binghamton Chapter, AGO



JUNE 2012

DEAN'S MESSAGE

A well-known economist has said, "Meetings are indispensable when you don't want to do anything."* These words of John Kenneth Galbraith certainly do not describe the meetings of the Binghamton AGO Board. Fortified with coffee and donuts, much is accomplished at AGO Board meetings. If Galbraith were able to attend an AGO Board meeting, he would have to reconsider his words.

However, do not think that AGO Board meetings are all work and no fun. Seriousness of purpose is mixed with humor. Laughter and camaraderie have us looking forward to the next Board meeting. So listen up, all you board members. Circle August 4 on your calendar for the next meeting. And if you are not a board member, say a prayer of thanksgiving for the enthusiasm and conscientious work of the board!

The final chapter event for this program year is coming up very soon! Please make every effort to attend the Rising Star Recital on June 10 at First Presbyterian Church, 29 Grant Ave., Endicott. Two talented youth will perform for us that afternoon. You will have an opportunity to greet Nathaniel Efthimiou and Sarah Sabol at the reception afterwards. The annual dinner/meeting will be at Uno's at 6:30 pm. We will order from the menu and pay with separate checks. Reservations should be made by June 7, (754-0378 or bwendling@stny.rr.com). Also let me know if you would like to carpool to the John Weaver concert at the Palatine Church on June 17.

Ellie Rugg reports that 21 people are on board for the July 14 trip to Cortland and Skaneateles. If you are among the group going, see pages 5 and 6 for itinerary and directions.

Finally please remember to renew your membership for 2012-13. Your dues will help fund another year of interesting programs.

Polly

**(from Wit & Wisdom column in This Week, May 4).*

Electronic Mailing of Mixtures. If you have an email address, you will receive *Mixtures* electronically beginning in September unless you notify us that you wish to receive a hard copy in the mail. Richard Sheasley (607-724-6062) or Polly Wendling (607-754-0378)

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CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, **June 3 – 4 pm** Madrigal Choir concert, *Crossroads*, at Tabernacle Methodist, 83 Main Street, Binghamton. Featured soloist, organist Jean Hensler.

Sunday, **June 10 – 4 pm** Chapter-sponsored “Rising Stars” concert at First Presbyterian, Endicott; Reception to follow. **6:30 pm** Annual dinner/meeting at Uno’s (separate checks). Reservations to Polly 754-0378 or bwending*at*stny*dot*rr*dot*com.

Sunday, **June 17** (rescheduled from June 3) - **4 pm** John Weaver organ recital at the Old Palatine Church, located on Route 5 between Nelliston and St. Johnsville, NY . Contact Polly to carpool 754-0378 or bwending*at*stny*dot*rr*dot*com

July 1-6 – AGO National Convention, Nashville, Tenn.

July 14 – Summer Fun Day to Cortland and Skaneateles. Itinerary and directions are included for those going on the trip.

Saturday, **July 21 – 7:30 pm** Master Theater Organist, John Lewdon, staff organist at the El Capitan Theater in Los Angeles. RELIVE THE GRAND FILM PALACE EXPERIENCE at the Forum Theater, 236 Washington St., Downtown Binghamton.

Saturday, **Aug. 4 – 9:30 am** Board Meeting – place tba

Friday, **Sept. 21 – 6 pm** Potluck kickoff at Bob and Judy Peterson’s. Details tba.

THANK YOU

- To **Richard Van Auken** for his informative presentation on creative hymn playing, as well as the complimentary copies of his [Hymn Introductions and Verses](#) to 18 well-known hymns. Also to **Joe Kotylo** and the **Main Street Baptist Church** for hosting the event.
- To **Ellie Rugg**, who organized another summer fun day for us. After serving two 2-year terms as a member-at-large, Ellie will continue on the Board as Hospitality Chair.
- To **Lee Roseboom**, who needing to retire from the Board, found his own replacement. Lee served 2 years as co-dean and 1 year as secretary.
- To **Ruth Schian** and **Peggy Sniezek**, Binghamton Chapter’s newest members, who join the board as secretary and member-at-large respectively.
- To **Richard Sheasley**, Registrar, who not only does all the paper work and record keeping related to membership, but assists with the printing and mailing of *Mixtures*. Richard is also Chapter Liaison with the Broome County Arts Council.
- To **Richard Hedgebeth**, who designed and maintains the chapter’s attractive website. We can depend on Richard to keep it always up-to-date.

RISING STARS CONCERT

Sunday, JUNE 10, 4:00 pm

First Presbyterian Church
29 Grant Avenue, Endicott, NY

Reception to follow



MADRIGAL CHOIR CONCERT

Sunday, June 3, 4:00 pm

Tabernacle Methodist Church



83 Main Street, Binghamton

Jean Henssler, the featured soloist, will be performing Marcel Dupre's *Prelude and Fugue in g minor*, "a showpiece/knuckle buster," says Jean.

PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS for 2012-13

Dean: Polly Wendling
Sub-dean: John Holt
Secretary: Ruth Schian
Treasurer: Robert Peterson

Members-at-large:
Peggy Sniezek
Laura Kennedy

(Janet Hammond, Joe Kotylo, and Judy Peterson
continue to serve as members-at-large.)

Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the annual meeting on Sunday, June 10, 6:30 pm, following the Rising Stars recital. Please call Polly before June 7 with your reservation at Uno's (754-0378).



HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP?

June 30 is the official deadline for renewing membership for the coming year, July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013. Renewal forms were sent out with *Mixtures* last month. If you need another, it can be downloaded at the chapter website, binghamtonago.org or contact Registrar Richard Sheasley, 724-6062.

Pages 5-6 of the June issue of *Mixtures*, consisting of directions for the summer fun trip to Cortland and Skaneateles are omitted in the web version