

MIXTURES



OCTOBER 2014

DEAN'S MESSAGE:

Greetings!

The Kickoff Dinner went really well. Our thanks to Polly and Bruce for arranging our use of the Holy Nativity Fellowship Hall, and for organizing the pot luck dinner. Also, thanks to Johanna Masters, Rich Sheasley, and Jean Henssler for their excellent presentations. Our next Chapter event is Dexter Kennedy's recital and workshop on October 10th and 11th. His recital will be the second in our Chapter's Young Artist Recital Series. It was mentioned, by the way, on page 87 in the new TAO. Four of us went to hear Dexter (nicknamed "Tripp" for "triple," as his full name is Dexter Kennedy III) play on the new Baroque organ at Cornell as part of the Westfield Center International Organ Competition. He was one of six semi-finalists who competed for three spots in the finals to be played the following week in Rochester. Tripp was chosen as a finalist, and placed third. We, from Binghamton, felt he should have finished in first place. Since then we have been eager to invite him to play in our Young Artist Series. After the recital here, Tripp will be going to Paris to compete as a finalist in the prestigious Chartres Competition, played on several famous instruments in Paris. The Binghamton recital will be played at 7:30pm on Friday, October 10 at United Presbyterian Church. On Saturday, at 10:00am, Tripp will lead a workshop, giving us practical, simple techniques on improvisation that may be used during worship services. Bring your organ shoes, and join in, as it should be informative, useful, and, probably fun! Bill Snyder of WSKG will interview Tripp on Friday October 10th at 11:06am. I really encourage you to put the recital and workshop on your calendars, and bring a friend or two. There will be a reception afterwards, and goodies will be served. If you can bring a goodie for the table, let Polly know at 754-0378. I am really looking forward to all of the events this year. Check pages 4 and 5 of our newly issued Directory, prepared by Richard Sheasley, for the list of events. I hope to see you all on the 10th.

John

PHOTO GALLERY...



Kick-off Dinner



Jean's Presentation Table

FROM THE REGISTRAR...

2014-2015 Yearbooks and Membership cards were hand-delivered to those members who were able to attend the Kick-Off Dinner on Sept. 19th. All other deliveries have been made via US Mail. If you have not received your 2014-2015 Yearbook and Membership card, please contact me.

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Also...

The October Issue of The American Organist (TAO) has been delivered by the USPS. Please check your address label on the back cover and see if your TAO expiration date has been upgraded to **7/1/2015**. If this is not the case, please contact me. I have made sure all renewed memberships have been upgraded in the Online Searchable National Database.

A NOTE FROM ELLIE...

Hello Dear Friends in AGO,

Hello from the Finger Lakes gorgeous country! We are finally getting settled after our downsizing to a lovely new apartment in Farmington near Canandaigua. We moved here to be near our triplet granddaughters, Aveye, Addyson and Aubrey. They are keeping us young and are a load of fun! I have been happily subbing at St. John's Episcopal Church in Canandaigua on their 2 manual Felgemacher organ refurbished in 1985 by the Delaware Company. I have also been enjoying the Johnson organ at the UCC First Congregational Church built in 1812 and the oldest building in Ontario County. We joined the Congregational Church—my husband John sings in the 30 member Adult Choir—I play handbells.

We are also a few miles from the Parson's Organ Building Company and hope to visit it soon. Needless to say, Rochester is very rich in musical offerings.

I marvel at ALL the activities Dean John is leading you through! You are an amazing group and probably the most educated AGO Chapter in the region.

I miss all of you very much—it was hard to leave such a wonderful family. Remember? —Lunching at the restaurant and riding the boat in Skaneateles?

Good times all!


Best regards,
Ellie Rugg

FROM OUR NEIGHBORS...

The Chemung Valley Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

invites you to an autumn jaunt to ELMIRA!

Saturday, October 18, 2014

Meet:	Clemens Center 207 Clemens Center Parkway Elmira NY 14901	9:00 a.m.		2014 Theater Pipe Organ 25 ranks*
	Ss. Peter & Paul (Blessed Sacrament) 556 St. Joseph's Boulevard Elmira NY 14901	11:00 a.m.		1940s <i>Frederick L. Betts</i> ** 30 ranks***
Lunch:	Charlie's Cafe 205 Hoffman Street Elmira NY 14905	12:15 p.m.		
	First Presbyterian Church 1054 West Clinton Street Elmira NY 14905	2:15 p.m.		2012 <i>L. A. Peckham & Son</i> 39 ranks

*Originally built by Marr & Colton in 1925 with 20 ranks.

**Originally built by William King and rebuilt by Frederick L. Betts.

***Approximate

* Please note * If you wish to attend and go to lunch, please place a reservation with Beth Briggs. *elizabethbrig@aol.com* or by phone [607-377-5363](tel:607-377-5363)

UPCOMING EVENTS...

From Peter Browne... On Sunday, October 19, the music at the 10:00 Eucharist at **Trinity Memorial Church, Binghamton** will be largely of Chinese origin. I have set the Gloria in Excelsis, Sanctus, and Agnus Dei to folk song melodies of China, and we'll have guest artists Peiyong Chang and Jiawei Mao playing GuQing as the music for the prelude, offertory, Communion and postlude.

Choral Evensong for All Saints' Day... There will be a service of Choral Evensong on Saturday, November 1, 2014, at 4pm, to celebrate the Feast of All Saints, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 117 Main Street in the village of Owego. The service of Evening Prayer is rich in text and music, with choir singing Psalms, *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* [setting by David McK. Williams] and Ernest Bullock's well-known Saints' Day anthem, *Give Us the Wings of Faith*. Organ selections will include works by Howells and Parry. Music will be provided by St. Paul's Adult Choir; Jean Clay Radice, organist and choir director. The Rector is The Rev. Geoffrey Doolittle. There will be a reception following the service. Please join us on this principal feast day. stpaulsowego.com 607-687-2830

Handicapped-accessible. Parking available on Liberty Street.

ON THE CALENDAR...

October 10: Friday, 7:30pm: Dexter Kennedy Recital at United Presbyterian Church, Chenango St., Binghamton

October 11: Saturday, 10am: Dexter Kennedy Master Class at United Pres. Church

October 18: Saturday, 9am: Chemung AGO Organ Crawl in Elmira

October 19: Sunday, 3pm: Madrigal Choir Concert featuring Jean Henssler! United Presbyterian Church

November 1: Saturday, 4pm: Choral Evensong for All Saints' Day at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 117 Main St., Owego

Dexter Kennedy

*Friday,
October 10, 2014
7:30 pm*

**ORGAN
RECITAL**

Messiaen, Bach,
Vierne, Widor,
Litaize, Boëly,
& Buxtehude

United Presbyterian Church
42 Chenango Street, Binghamton
A free-will offering will be accepted at the door

ADVERTISEMENTS / PLACEMENT...

Organist positions:

*Interested individuals may contact Jean Henssler for additional information

Job postings are deleted in the online version of Mixtures

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BINGHAMTON AGO EVENTS CALENDAR FOR 2014-15

- *October 10: 7:30 pm Young Artist Recital (Dexter Kennedy guest artist)
- *October 11: 10:00 am Workshop by Dexter Kennedy
- *October 18: 9:00 am Chemung organ crawl in Elmira
- October 19: Madrigal Choir Concert
- November 2: 4:00 pm Music at Grace Series- Peter Sykes recitalist Grace Episcopal church in Elmira
- November 29-30: Madrigal Choir Concert
- *December 5: 7:30 pm Biggers' Holiday recital (UPC)
- December 28: BTOS concert (2 pm) *Chapter dinner at Grande Pizza (5 pm)
- *January 24: 10:00 am Wanamaker Organ DVD showing (Main St. Baptist)
- *February 14: 10:00 am Franck DVD (Main St Baptist)
- *February 15: 4:00pm Jonathan Biggers recital at BU
- *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 16: 10:00am Members' Choice Workshop (Place: TBA)
- 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 AG