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Letter from the Dean

Dear Colleagues,

We had a wonderful start to the fall season with our organ crawl in Kingston. Thanks to our host organists: Lonnie Kulick, Terry Earles, Jean Hattersley and James Fitzwilliam. Also many thanks to Eric Hepp for arranging this. We got to play (or listen to) four very different organs as well as have lunch with our colleagues. Great fun!

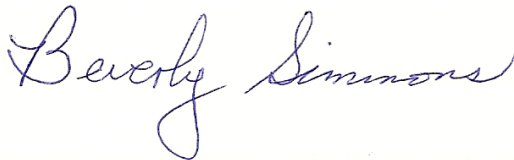
Our next event is a big one: Evensong at West Point on October 24. Craig Williams will start us off at 2:30 with a 30-minute organ recital. The Evensong is in honor of the Protestant Reformation which began in 1517 when Martin Luther posted his 95 theses on the church

door in Wittemberg. Luther's most famous hymn, *A Mighty Fortress is our God*, will be sung by the congregation. It is also the basis for the Bach Cantata (*Ein feste Burg*) which will be sung by area church choirs during the Evensong. They will be accompanied by oboe and a string quintet. We will also sing a Psalm based on that hymn and text. Other music includes some chants and the final blessing as set by Peter Lutkin.

If your church choir would like to participate you need to contact Laura Russell (LRUSSELL@hvc.rr.com) immediately. If she already knows you are participating, please contact her to let her know how many singers will be coming from your group.

If your choir is not participating as singers please encourage them and others in your church to come and be part of the worshipping congregation.

Looking ahead please put November 13 on your calendar. Gail Archer, internationally known concert artist and Vassar chapel organist, will be giving us a workshop. Look for more details about time and place in our next newsletter.



Beverly Simmons, SPC
Dean, Central Hudson Valley AGO

Membership News

Your recently processed membership applications yielded some updated information, shown below. Please check the details and contact Susan LaGrande at 845-226-6496 or SUSANEL2@OPTONLINE.NET with any changes.

- Joe Bertolozzi's e-mail address is now joseph.bertolozzi@gmail.com.
- Larry Hazard has a new e-mail address: LarryHazard@hotmail.com. He would also like to be called as a sub for services earlier than 11:00 AM Sunday, as well as for weddings and funerals.
- Nancy Harle's position has been inadvertently omitted from previous rosters. It should be noted that she has been organist for the past four years at Ladentown Methodist Church, Pomona, NY and Viola United Methodist Church, Suffern, NY.
- Barbara Bayers has a new address. Her contact information is:
535 Grand Avenue
Newburgh, NY, 12550
203-260-4295
babayers@gmail.com
- Polly James has moved. Her new contact information is:
PO Box 1543
Highland, NY, 12528
cell phone 845-399-7725
pbjames1941@hotmail.com

- We welcome returning member Grant Chapman, whose contact information is:
PO Box 157
West Point, NY 10996-0157
845-446-7416
Cell: 845-857-9441
wmgrantchapman@msn.com
William.chapman@usma.edu
- Welcome also to returning member Fr. George Hafemann, currently pastor of St. Mary's Church in Port Jervis. His contact information is:
P.O. Box 712,
Port Jervis, NY, 12771,
845-856-8212,
frgeohafe@yahoo.com
- Welcome to new member Ms. Eui Kim, Music Director at Warren Point Presbyterian Church in Fairlawn, NJ. Her contact information is:
118 Fairfield Drive
Paramus, NJ, 07652
201-566-3734
ryunk2005@yahoo.com
- Welcome to new student member Adam Kowal. His contact information is:
66 Ridgedale Road
Bethel, CT, 06801
845-820-3557
pianoman18@live.com
- Welcome to new student member Patrick Walker. His contact information is:
77 Dorsey Lane
Hyde Park, NY 12538
845-473-4208

For Sale – Organ Benches

As a result of work done on the organ over the summer, Christ Church in Poughkeepsie now has two organ benches for sale:

- Walnut fixed height bench – 26.5 inches \$500 or best offer
- One Oak adjustable height bench with manual crank Height is adjustable between 24.5 and 28.5 inches. \$500 or best offer

Photos are available on our web site at www.chvago.org. To make an offer, please contact Laura Russell at 845-485-1648 or lrussell@hvc.rr.com

Editor's Corner

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List of Organ Substitutes

The following chapter members have indicated that they will serve as substitute organists. Please contact them directly if you would like more information.

Denise Bassen	845-226-1564	<u>No Sunday Morning Services:</u>
Barbara Bayers	203-260-4295	Maris Kristapsons
Joe Bertolozzi	845-831-0695	(no weddings) 845-635-8837
Robert D. Brown	845-485-1597	Beverly Simmons 845-463-1249
Nickie Collins	845-462-2240	<u>For Weddings and Funerals Only:</u>
Richard C. Ehlenberg	845-658-9746	Alice Cann 845-223-5344
Christopher Fasulo	646-342-4836	Greg Citarella 845-297-7693
Larry Hazard	845-452-0119	Eric Hepp (no weekday funerals)
Susan LaGrande	845-226-6496	845-489-2625
Susan MacNish	845-635-3814	Charles Surber (no weddings)
Janet Nickerson	845-561-0763	845-544-2782
Joanne Reed	845-361-3474	
Anne Ressler	845-446-8035	

List of Organ Teachers

The following chapter members have indicated that they are accepting new organ students. We are in the process of soliciting brief biographies from each of them, which will be posted on our web site as they are received. Please contact the teachers directly if you would like more information.

Gregory Citarella	845-297-7693	Janet Nelson Nickerson	845-561-0763
Donald Filkins	845-518-2991	Beverly Simmons	845-463-1249
Peter Hall	845-343-4995	Charles Surber	845-544-2782
Larry Hazard	845-452-0119		

Deadline for Next Newsletter

We are always glad to receive input for the chapter newsletter in the form of calendar items, reviews of recent concerts and events, biographies, letters, photographs, etc. In order to make sure these submissions can be processed in a timely fashion, please make sure they are received by the 23rd of each month. However, material such as calendar items may be submitted at any time; even if the material may not make it into the printed newsletter, it can be quickly posted on our web site at www.chvago.org.

You may submit newsletter or web site material by mail, e-mail, fax or phone. Just contact the editor, Susan LaGrande, using the information given above. Remember, the deadline for the next printed newsletter, to be available the first week in November, is October 23rd.

Position Openings

Position openings are listed without charge for three months unless an extension is requested. If you would like to place a listing, please contact the editor, Susan LaGrande, at 845-226-6496.

Editor's Note – Due to space considerations, older position openings may include only the type of position and hiring institution. Complete information about positions is available on our web site at www.chvago.org, or contact the editor, Susan LaGrande, at 845-226-6496.

**ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR - (Part-Time)
ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - CORNWALL, NY 9-21-2010**

**ORGANIST/ACCOMPANIST (Part-Time)
ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - NEWBURGH, NY 8-26-2010**

**ORGANIST - (Part-Time)
LYALL MEMORIAL FEDERATED CHURCH - MILLBROOK, NY Filled 9-23-2010**

**ORGANIST - (Part-Time)
BLESSED KATERI TEKAKWITHA RC CHURCH – LAGRANGEVILLE, NY. 8-15-2010**

**ORGANIST - (Part-Time)
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - CHELSEA, NY 8-2-2010**

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - (Part-Time)
FISHKILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - FISHKILL, NY 8-1-2010**

**ORGANIST/ACCOMPANIST (Part-Time)
ALL SAINTS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS) -
LAGRANGEVILLE, NY 8-2-2010**

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - (Part-Time)
ST. GREGORY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - WOODSTOCK, NY 7-30-2010**

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - (Part-Time)
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WASHINGTONVILLE -
WASHINGTONVILLE, NY 6/29/2010**

**ORGANIST - (Part-Time)
RHINEBECK REFORMED CHURCH - RHINEBECK, NY 6-24-2010**

**ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR (Part-Time)
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - BREWSTER, NY 5/25/2010**

**MUSICIAN/ORGANIST - (Part-Time)
EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION - HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY
4-29-2010**

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR - (Part-Time)
ST. MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - STAATSBURG, NY 3-15-2010

ORGANIST/ACCOMPANIST (Part-Time)
FIRST REFORMED CHURCH - WALDEN, NY Filled 9-13-2010

Calendar of Events

Please note: Due to space considerations, this Calendar of Events may exclude the following:

- Events taking place outside the area served by the Central Hudson Valley Chapter
- Events which conflict directly with chapter sponsored events

Such events may be listed on the Local Events page of our chapter web site at www.chvago.org.

Events listed in the calendar are not necessarily endorsed by CHVAGO.

Please contact the editor if you have an event to be publicized.

Boxed items are Central Hudson Valley AGO Chapter events. Names listed in bold face are chapter members.

Sunday, October 24, 2010 2:30 PM	<p>Organ Recital and Choral Evensong (Ecumenical) An organ recital by Craig S. Williams, current USMA Organist/Choirmaster, will precede a service of Choral Evensong at 3:00 PM. This service commemorates the Protestant Reformation, which many hold to have begun on October 31, 1517, when Martin Luther is reputed to have posted his 95 Theses on the gate of the Castle Church in Wittenburg. During this Evensong service, Luther's most famous hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" will be sung by the congregation, and Johann Sebastian Bach's famous Cantata 80 based on that same hymn in the original German ("Ein feste Burg") will be performed in its entirety throughout the service. Music will be provided by combined Hudson Valley church and community choirs and chamber orchestra, conducted by Dr. Laura R. Russell. Combined with these forces will be the Cadet Chapel's famous pipe organ played by Mr. Williams. The chapel organ contains over 23,500 pipes in a splendid cathedral sanctuary and is the world's largest all-pipe organ found in a house of worship. This organ is heard by literally thousands of visitors every year including heads of state, members of Congress, cabinet members and foreign dignitaries. Location: Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY. Info: 845-938-7352.</p> <p>Please allow extra travel time for the 100% vehicle and photo I.D. inspection at Stony Lonesome and Thayer gates. Due to changing security requirements at West Point, please check www.westpoint.edu/special before arriving.</p>
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Sunday, October 24, 2010 4:00 PM	<p>Kairos: 2010 Bach Cantata Series Kairos: A Consort of Singers, under the direction of Edward Lundergan, presents the fifth in its 2010 Bach Cantata series (now in its fifth season) with a performance of Cantata 192, <i>Nun danket alle Gott</i>,</p>
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with chamber orchestra. The concert will also feature Bach's beautiful choral motet *Jesu, meine Freude* and an instrumental work by the Baroque master. The concert is open to the public and all are welcome. There is a suggested donation of \$10 to help support the Series. The cantata and other works will be performed as part of a choral evensong service. Location: Holy Cross Monastery, Route 9W, West Park, NY. Info: 845-256-9114.

Wednesday, October 27, 2010
7:00 PM

Dedication of Roosevelt High School's New Electronic Organ
Franklin Delano Roosevelt High School, 156 South Cross Road, Hyde Park, NY. Info: **John Vanderlee**, 845-7342

Saturday, October 30, 2010
1:00 PM

Organ Tour in Amenia, NY
"Musical and Architectural Treasures in Amenia" - The Town of Amenia is unique in that it possesses four historic 19th century pipe organs in virtually original condition. This direct contact with the past is considered invaluable to musicians and historians alike. In most parts of the country the sounds and sights of these instruments have long been lost to modern "improvements". These fascinating instruments and the distinctive structures that house them will be the focus of a mini-concert tour sponsored by the Amenia Historical Society. The tour begins at 1:00 PM, with approximately twenty minutes at each stop. Included will be two Jardine organs that were precursors to the original grand organ built for the new St. Patrick's Cathedral in 1879, as well as a fully-restored Robjohn organ from 1860 and a re-purposed and newly-installed 117-year old Johnson & Sons organ. Will Carter, noted organist and past Dean of the American Guild of Organists in New York City will demonstrate the organs. Buildings included are St. Thomas Episcopal Church, which shares both an original architect and a recent history with Trinity Church, Wall Street; United Presbyterian with its striking composition of three buildings and a remarkable Tiffany window; Immaculate Conception with exquisite glass and an original communion set; and Smithfield Church, a perfectly proportioned Greek temple set on a small stone hill.

Admission is by voluntary contribution to the Amenia Historical Society. The tour begins at St. Thomas Church, Leedsville Road (County Route 2), Amenia Union. Maps will be provided to the additional destinations. Info: call 845-373-8338.

Saturday, November 13, 2010 Time TBD	Workshop by Gail Archer "Registration for German Romantic Organ Works" Gail Archer is college organist at Vassar College, and director of the music program at Barnard College. Further details to be announced.
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Sunday, November 21, 2010
3:00 PM

Organ Recital by Lee Dettra
The recital is part of the 100th anniversary celebration of the Cadet Chapel organ (originally 38 ranks - now about 10 times that size!). The

recital will include Handel's Organ Concerto in F, Borowski's 2nd Sonata, the Prelude from Durufle's Suite for Organ, and works by CocherEAU, Gade, Schumann, Boyce, Powell Weaver, and Elmore. Mr. Dettra served as the third organist and choirmaster of the chapel (1985-2000). After 53 years of church and university positions in Florida, Pennsylvania, Delaware and New York, he retired 2 years ago. Following his retirement from West Point, he served Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, before he and his wife moved back to Delaware. With degrees from Westminster Choir College and Union Seminary School of Sacred Music, Lee Dettra holds also the FAGO and ChM diplomas. In addition to this recital, other appearances this year include recitals in Connecticut, Delaware, North Carolina, and Washington National Cathedral (where his son Scott is organist and associate director of music). Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY. Free. Info: 845-938-7352

Saturday, December 4, 2010
7:30 PM

Kairos Concert
In honor of the 400th anniversary of its publication, Kairos: A Consort of Singers, under the direction of Edward Lundergan, will present the majestic *Vespro della Beata Vergine* (1610 Vespers), composed by early Baroque Italian master Claudio Monteverdi, with period instruments. Location: Holy Cross Monastery, Route 9W, West Park, NY. The event will also feature a pre-concert talk (beginning at 7:00 PM) on early Baroque performance practice. Tickets are \$20 adult, \$15 seniors and \$7 youth/students with limited \$25 general admission on concert nights. Visit www.kairosconsort.org to order tickets on-line. For info or for group sales of 10 or more, please contact Carol Lundergan at 845-256-9114 or kairosconsort@gmail.com.

Supported in part by a grant from the Dutchess County Arts Council, administrator of public funds through NYSCA's Decentralization Program.

Saturday, December 4, 2010
7:30 PM

Choral Concert - Treasure House Chorale
The TreasureHouse Chorale and Chamber Orchestra and Soloists will perform their twenty-first annual Advent-Christmas Concert "Messe Solennelle", featuring the towering Saint Cecilia mass of Charles Gounod, and also works of Handel, Mozart, Rutter and others. Program concludes with a Festival of Carols. Church of St. Mary, 11 Clinton Street, Wappingers Falls, NY. Tickets /Info: 914-318-3268. All tickets available at the door.

Sunday, December 5, 2010
3:00 PM

52nd Annual Handel's Messiah Performance
Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY. Free. Info: contact **Craig Williams** at 845-938-7352 or craig.williams@usma.edu

Sunday, December 5, 2010

Kairos Concert
In honor of the 400th anniversary of its publication, Kairos: A Consort

3:00 PM of Singers, under the direction of Edward Lundergan, will present the majestic *Vespro della Beata Vergine* (1610 Vespers), composed by early Baroque Italian master Claudio Monteverdi, with period instruments. Location: Holy Cross Monastery, Route 9W, West Park, NY. The event will also feature a pre-concert talk (beginning at 2:00 PM) on early Baroque performance practice. Tickets are \$20 adult, \$15 seniors and \$7 youth/students with limited \$25 general admission on concert nights. Visit www.kairosconsort.org to order tickets on-line. For info or for group sales of 10 or more, please contact Carol Lundergan at 845-256-9114 or kairosconsort@gmail.com.

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Sunday, December 5, 2010
3:30 PM Camerata Chorale Concert
The Camerata Chorale of Poughkeepsie, under the direction of Lee Harold Pritchard, will present a program to commemorate and celebrate the life of John A Davis, Jr. This program is part of the Tower Music Series held at the Reformed Church of Poughkeepsie, 70 Hooker Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY. Free Will Offering; Suggested Donation: \$10.00. Camerata Chorale was founded in 1963 as a not-for-profit, non-sectarian choral ensemble whose members are drawn from more than 20 Hudson Valley communities.

Sunday, December 5, 2010
7:30 PM Choral Concert - Treasure House Chorale
The TreasureHouse Chorale and Chamber Orchestra and Soloists will perform their twenty-first annual Advent-Christmas Concert "Messe Solennelle", featuring the towering Saint Cecilia mass of Charles Gounod, and also works of Handel, Mozart, Rutter and others. Program concludes with a Festival of Carols. Annunciation Church, 470 Westchester Avenue, Crestwood, NY. Tickets /Info: 914-318-3268. All tickets available at the door.

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St. Denis RC Church, 602 Beekman Road, Hopewell Junction, NY.
Tickets /Info: 914-318-3268. All tickets available at the door.

Saturday, December 11, 2010
7:30 PM Christmas in New City
The Music Ministries of Saint Augustine Church an Advent-Christmas Concert featuring works of Mozart, Handel, Holst, Biebl and others in the sanctuary of Saint Augustine Church, 140 Maple Avenue, New City, NY 10956. Performances by Saint Augustine Choir, Guest

Soloists, pipe organ and Chamber Orchestra. Program concludes with a wonderful program of traditional and contemporary carols for all to enjoy. Spectacular holiday reception follows in the Church Hall. Tickets are \$10, available at the door or in advance by calling 845-634-3641.

Sunday, December 12, 2010
7:30 PM
Choral Concert - Treasure House Chorale
The TreasureHouse Chorale and Chamber Orchestra and Soloists will perform their twenty-first annual Advent-Christmas Concert "Messe Solennelle", featuring the towering Saint Cecilia mass of Charles Gounod, and also works of Handel, Mozart, Rutter and others. Program concludes with a Festival of Carols. St. James RC Church, 14 Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, NY. Tickets /Info: 914-318-3268. All tickets available at the door.

Sunday, December 19, 2010
3:00 PM
Kairos: 2010 Bach Cantata Series
Kairos: A Consort of Singers, under the direction of Edward Lundergan, will present its annual Lessons & Carols service featuring Old and New Testament readings interspersed with seasonal a cappella sacred motets and hymns from the Renaissance to the present. The candlelight service will conclude with a performance of our sixth performance of the 2010 Bach Cantata Series, Bach's beautiful motet *Komm, Jesu, komm*, with organ. A holiday reception will follow the service and all are invited. Location: Holy Cross Monastery, Route 9W, West Park, NY. Info: 845-256-9114.

The concert is open to the public and all are welcome. All free-will donations will be matched by the Monastery community and sent to the Kingston Freeman Holiday Fund.

Sunday, January 23, 2011 3:00 PM	Choral Reading Further details to be announced. Location: Christ Episcopal Church, 20 Carroll Street, Poughkeepsie. Info: 845-485-1648.
Sunday, February 13, 2011 5:00 PM	Annual Spuds & Sundaes Social Get together to enjoy baked potatoes and ice cream sundaes, with all appropriate toppings. Trinity Episcopal Church, 1200 Main Street, Fishkill, NY. Stay tuned for further information.

Sunday, March 6, 2010
3:00 PM
Organ Recital by Meredith Baker
Ms. Baker is Director of Music at the Most Holy Trinity (Catholic) Chapel, USMA. Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY. Free. Info: contact **Craig Williams** at 845-938-7352 or craig.williams@usma.edu

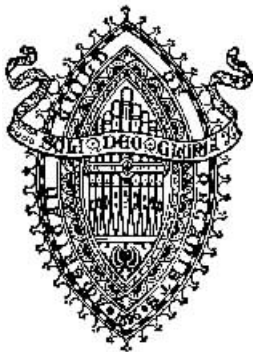
Sunday, April 3, 2010
3:00 PM
Organ Recital by Adrienne Pavur
Ms. Pavur is the Rutgers University Organist. Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY. Free. Info: contact **Craig Williams** at 845-938-7352 or craig.williams@usma.edu

Sunday, May 8, 2010 3:00 PM Juilliard Trombone Choir Concert
Joseph Alessi, director. Joseph Alessi is the Principal Trombonist of the NY Philharmonic. This concert will feature a new commissioned composition for organ and trombone choir. Cadet Chapel, USMA, West Point, NY. Free. Info: contact **Craig Williams** at 845-938-7352 or craig.williams@usma.edu

Sunday, May 22, 2011 3:00 PM	Annual Members' Recital Start planning your performance piece now! Zion Episcopal Church, 12 Satterlee Place, Wappingers Falls, NY. Further details to be announced.
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