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TWO FOR THE PRICE OF ONE

ON SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 1994, the Red River Valley Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will present "Two for the Price of One" at 4 p.m. at Peace Lutheran Church, 1011-12th Avenue North in Fargo. This interesting program features two area musicians - Craig Proehl and Jan Childs.

Craig Proehl will present the new publication, "Piano to Organ", a new method by the Allen Organ company for pianists who wish to learn to play the organ. This would be especially useful to small churches who have pianists but need an organist. Craig is the Keyboard Manager of Schmitt Music in Fargo, the current treasurer of the Red River Valley Chapter of AGO, and serves as a substitute organist in many local churches.

Jan Childs will complete the afternoon with her presentation on "Stress Management." This is particularly designed to help musicians deal with stress in performance. Jan is a full-time elementary music teacher in the Moorhead Public Schools, heads the Children's Bereavement Program for Hospice of the Red River Valley (for ages 6-18), and is the Senior Choir Director at First Congregational Church in Moorhead. She is currently working on her degree in counseling.

This helpful program will benefit anyone who attends. The afternoon is free and open to all interested guests.

CHURCH MUSICIANS: PIANISTS, ORGANISTS

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PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

1011-12TH AVE N, FARGO ND

SUNDAY, MARCH 20 AT 4 P.M.

Co-Chairs: Tom Hanson, Carolyn Hensrud

FROM THE DEAN...

What a joy and privilege it was to hear Frederick Hohman in recital and workshop at First Lutheran Church, Fargo, the 11th and 12th of February! Many thanks to Marlys Herring, Michael Olson, Dawn Papenfuss, and the FM Community for all the planning those events involved.

An article in the February issue of *The American Organist* particularly grabbed my attention since it dealt with ideas to help build a successful chapter. Such ideas as regular dinner meetings, use of name tags at events, sharing verbal and printed "bouquets", a "Bachathon", an executive committee that includes past deans, and some creative ways to contact prospective members are, in my opinion, worth considering. A successful chapter is one that has an actively participating membership. **What are your ideas and concerns as members of the Red River Valley Chapter? Let me or someone on the executive board hear from you.**

Did you know that our month of February got its name from the ancient Romans who used a februa (a leather whip) to drive out evil in their purification ceremonies? It's a wonderful thought that our impurities need only be acknowledged before God and His crucified Son grants us forgiveness and eternal life. May this Lenten season be a really meaningful time for all of us. Margery Possehl, Dean

PIPEDREAMS

Sunday, 9:30 p.m. KCCM 91.1 FM...

3/6/94..Solos at Saint Thomas...Michael Kleinschmidt, Judith Hancock, Stephen Rumpf, Thomas Vara and Stephen Tharp perform in Sunday afternoon recitals at New York City's famous St. Thomas Church on Fifth Avenue.

3/13/94..Sons of "B"... a collection of music by three talented offspring of the greatest organ composer of them all, J.S. Bach, who left their own mark despite their father's imposing shadow.

3/20/94..A Bach Gamut...up the scale from "A" to "G" with a multi-national collection of Bach performances featuring Wolfgang Rbsam, Kevin Bowyer, Daniel Chorzempa, David Rothe, Hans Fagius, Noel Rawsthorne, Thierry Mechler, Jean-Patrice Brosse and E. Power Biggs.

3/27/94..Palm Sunday and Passiontide...probing and poetic musical impressions for Holy Week, works from four centuries by Weckmann, Dupre, Scheidt, Reger, Fetler, Maleingreau and Hessenberg.

4/3/94..Easter Jubilation...celebratory organ and choral selections for the Spring festival of rebirth and renewal in performances by Diane Bish, Haig Mardirian, Timothy Albrecht, Todd Wilson, Nancy Grnert and others.

ATTENTION: Have you given the announcement of the April Meeting to your handbell director? That is the only way he/she will get it...

AND...music needed is available at Eckroth Music and Schmitt Music....

AND...The Ringfest will last 1-1 1/2 hours with a yummy snack break somewhere....

AND...Don't forget to come yourself...Who knows when you may end up in front of an eager Bell Choir with a baton in your hand!

Sunday, April 24, 1994

4:00 p.m.

"Ring Those Golden Bells"-Ringfest & Master Class

First Presbyterian Church

11 North 7th Street, Fargo

Clinician - Pat Unkenholz, a former RRV Chapter member, who now resides in Bismarck.

Any questions - call Joan Bystol, 235-4335.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...KCCM 91.1 FM Regional Artists in Concert Series March 10, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. will feature two faculty recitals--one performed at Concordia College and the other at Moorhead State University.

The Moorhead State U recital features Ricardo Visus, tenor; Terrie Manno, piano; Debora Harris, flute; Sandra Tsukayama, piano; and John Tesch, euphonium. The recital was recorded January 14, 1993 in the Thrust Stage at the Center for the Arts.

The Concordia recital, recorded March 12, 1993 at Hvidsten Recital Hall, features pianist Jay Hershberger. Jay is a member of our Guild chapter and is organist/Choirmaster at Gethsemane Cathedral in Fargo.

Read on....

ANNUAL CLASSICAL POPS & POPCORN CONCERT with the Concordia College Orchestra...Sunday, March 13, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Auditorium, J. Robert Hanson, Conductor. Pianist Jay Hershberger will be playing the *Piano Concerto No. 2* by Rachmaninoff. Jay is Concordia's newest piano faculty member. You are invited to bring your friends and enjoy a special evening of *Pops & Popcorn*. Admission is free.

Don't forget...Student recital March 12, 2:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, Moorhead. Steve Woyen, Concordia sophomore, student of Peter Nygaard.

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Board Minutes, RRV Chapter, February 20, 1994, Johnson Organ Company, Fargo. Present: Marge Possehl, Craig Proehl, Marlys Herring, Lance Johnson, Mary Tangen, Joan Bystol.

The minutes of the November board meeting (as printed in the February *Pipeline* were reviewed and accepted.

Treasurer Proehl referred to the January report which appeared in the February *Pipeline* and highlighted the final figures from the Hymnfest in November. January balance: \$2748.41. The February report included one new membership, annual payment of our bulk mail permit (\$75.00) and PO box rental (\$35.00), and three nights at the Radisson for Dr. Frederick Hohman (\$179.85). February balance: \$2325.55.

Our chapter will print thank you notes to acknowledge gifts from donors, thereby being in compliance with a new IRS requirement that states donors must have more than a cancelled check for proof of gift. The treasurer of the chapter will assume this duty.

The Nominating Committee-Jack Close, Rod Rothlisberger, Brad Steen, Marge Possehl-will secure names of candidates to be submitted for election to our chapter offices for 1994-1995.

It was moved by Joan Bystol, seconded by Lance Johnson, and passed, that the chapter pay the registration fee for the newly-elected Dean to attend the National AGO Convention in Dallas this summer. The alternate will be the '94-'95 Program Chair. This will be put to a chapter vote in March.

Linda Duckett, our Regional Councillor, sent a list of lapsed chapter memberships from the last four years. She also proposes alternative ways to collect dues: 1) National collects all dues, 2) Have multi-year dues, 3) Leave to chapter. This will be brought up to the chapter at the March meeting.

Meeting was adjourned for a tour of the Johnson Organ Company. Respectfully submitted, Marlys Herring, Secretary.

For your information...

Happy Birthday to Lloyd Collins. Lloyd celebrated his 75th birthday on Friday, March 4th. Congratulations to Lloyd, on his milestone day.

Sympathy to Brad Steen on the death of his father, Roy Steen. The funeral was held in Fergus Falls on Thursday, March 3.

Professional concerns surveys, which were sent out a while ago, should be turned in. Please take care of them as soon as possible.

Mr. Roger's Neighborhood T-V program recently featured organist Alan Morrison, who, at the time the program was filmed, apparently was organist at Calvary Episcopal Church in Pittsburgh. Mr. Morrison played the organ beautifully and graciously told a bit about the instrument. The March issue of *The American Organist* on page 89 has an ad concerning Alan Morrison. You might like to read it.

KCCM 91.1 FM Regional Artists in Concert Series on April 7 at 7:00 p.m. with the **F-M Symphony** .. features among other selections, Schubert's *Mass in G Major* sung by students from seven area high schools who were prepared by Rodney Rothlisberger, RRV Chapter member.

Lenten Organ Concert, Sunday afternoon, March 13, 1994, 3:00 p.m. at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 702 Summit Avenue, Crookston, MN. Featured organist is John F. Vanella, RRV chapter member, assisted by James Kent, Tenor, Val Buchmeier, Cellist, and the Mount St. Benedict Schola combined with members of the Cathedral Choirs. Program includes selections by Langlais, Franck, Alain, Durufle, and Dupre. Free admission, free-will offering.

Vanella, currently organist and Director of Liturgy and Music at the Cathedral, has studied with Robert Glasgow, University of Michigan; Paul Manz, Chicago; and the late Jean Langlais of Paris, France.

Kent, tenor concert soloist, is presently on the faculty of Highland School and is Music and Choral Director at Wesley United Methodist Church of Crookston.

Buchmeier, concert cellist, is currently Orchestra Director for the Crookston School District and Director of the Cathedral Handbell Choir.

The Mount St. Benedict Schola is comprised of twenty Sisters from the Monastery, is conducted by St. Anne DeMers, and will be joined by women from the Cathedral choirs.

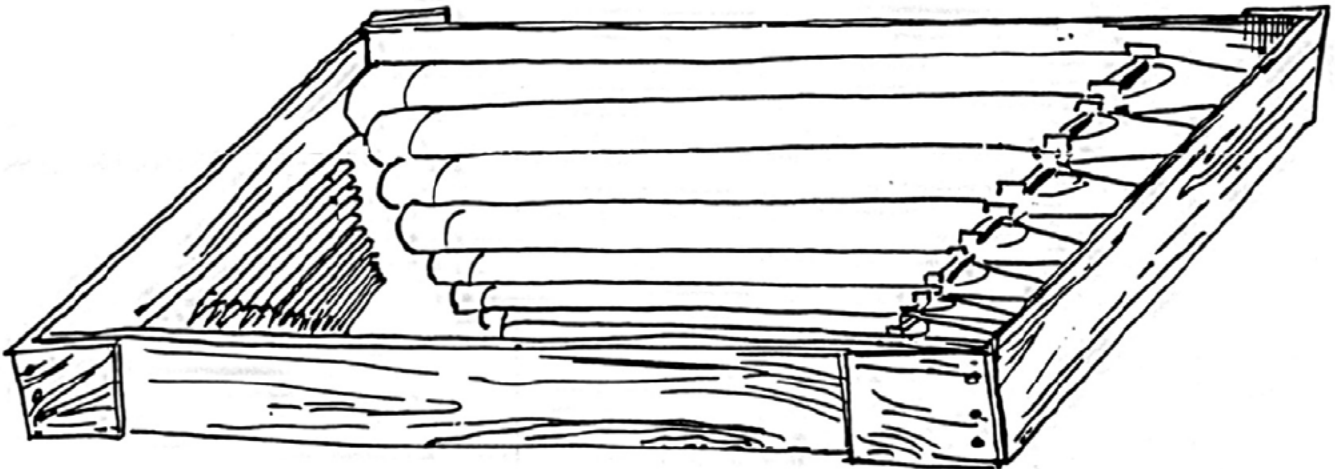
A reception for all artists will follow the concert.

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