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January AGO Events

RECITAL

by students of Peter Nygaard

Monday, January 11, 1999

8:00 p.m.

(NOTICE TIME, it is different than stated in last pipeline)

Trinity Lutheran Church

210 7th Street South, Moorhead, MN

Evensong Prayer Service

Sunday, January 17, 1999

5:00 p.m.

St. John's Episcopal Church

120 South 8th Street, Moorhead, MN



Upcoming Events

- ⇒ Every Wednesday: Michael Olson and other organists will present weekly recitals starting at 12:45 p.m. at First Lutheran Church in Fargo. If you wish to participate, please contact Michael at 293-0284.
- ⇒ Region VI Convention: June 27-30, 1999 in Omaha, Nebraska.
- ⇒ Celebrating a New Century: National AGO Convention in Seattle, Washington. July 2-6, 2000.

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MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY UPDATE: Due to a printing error, two pages were omitted. You can pick up these pages at any of the RRV AGO events in the future. We suggest that you cut it in half and paste it into your directory. If you find additional pages missing, please call Brad Steen. He will be happy to mail you a corrected copy. Thank you to all who paid their memberships in such a timely fashion.

The Membership Committee

FUNDRAISER FOR HURRICANE MITCH RELIEF:

A benefit concert will be held. The money that is raised will be used to help the victims of Hurricane Mitch in Nicaragua. The event will be held on Sunday, January 24, 1999, at the First Presbyterian Church in Fargo (650 2nd Avenue North). Beans and rice, a typical Nicaraguan meal, will be served in the Social Hall beginning at 6 pm. The concert will begin at 7 pm. It will be held in the sanctuary. The concert will include instrumental and vocal performances. The performers include Russ Peterson, Leigh Wakefield, Peter Nygaard, Peter Halvorson, Eugenia Slezak, David Hamilton, Jay Hershberger, and Lucy Thrasher. For more information, you can contact Mindy Zorn at 701-293-6311.

ORGANIST NEEDED: Christian Science Church at 21 9th St S, in Fargo, is searching for an organist to play for 10:30 am Sunday services and 1st and 3rd Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm. Salary negotiable (\$50 per service). No church choir. Original 1914 Austin pipe organ. Permanent position. Sub available. Call 233-5976 to apply.

RECITAL: Michael Olson will be giving an organ recital at University Lutheran Church in Grand Forks on Sunday, January 24 at 4:00 pm.

Please send all PIPELINE news to:

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ORGAN FEATURE

Bethesda Lutheran Church
Moorhead, MN

It all began with a petition presented by the Young People's Society to the congregation at the annual meeting in 1915, that they be allowed to fund and purchase a pipe organ. The petition was granted and the group purchased a Hillgreen-Lane organ (Alliance, Ohio, 1898-1972) for a total cost of \$1900. The Society secured \$750 from the Andrew Carnegie Organ Fund and raised the required additional funds.

This organ, number 410 for the company, became one of ninety Carnegie organs in Minnesota and one of 7,689 so funded worldwide.

At the annual meeting on January 25, 1967, the congregation voted to retain the Johnson Organ Company, Fargo, North Dakota, to rebuild the now-troublesome organ at a cost of \$13,405.79. This sum was given to Bethesda by Arthur K. Klenk before his death.

Again it was voted on in August of 1992 to have the Johnson Organ Company refurbish the organ. It was funded by a \$27,500 loan and by many generous gifts to the organ fund.

The organ was rededicated by Dr. David Childs in a recital in 1993. The current organist at Bethesda Lutheran Church is Joan Bystol.
(Submitted by Marge Possehl)

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- 1/31/98 - Competitive in California (Etc.)...finalists in the 25th Anniversary Ruth and Clarence Mader Memorial Scholarship Competition perform, plus others.

Pipedreams airs on KCCM 91.1 FM Sunday nights at 9:30 pm.

Don't forget about the Region VI Convention in Omaha, NE, June 27-30, 1999!!!

More details are in the January edition of *The American Organist*.

To register contact: Ruth Hahn, registrar

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