COMING EVENT...

Our next event will be an **Organ Recital** by **Stephen Price**, former young Buffalo Chapter member, Friday, **April 15** — **7:30 at Westminster Presbyterian Church**, Buffalo. Put this date on your calendar now and plan to hear this amazing young, talented organist. All of the information about this program will be in the April *Bombarde*.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting will take place on Friday, March 25, 7:00 PM at North Presbyterian Church, 300 North Forest Road, Williamsville. Please let Chris Snyder (832-4969 / C50Snyder@aol.com) know if you are not able to attend.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

A Nominating Committee was appointed at the January board meeting. Members of this committee are: Diane Green and Carole Harris, chairs; Elaine Gardner; and Christina Shrewsbury. The committee will appoint six members to run for the Executive Committee (three to be elected), and the member who will be our next SubDean If you would like to run for the Executive Committee, or would like to suggest someone for consideration, please contact Diane at: 731-2840 / maestrogreen@yagoo.com or Carole at 298-1310 / ccjjharris@roadrunner.com.. If you are asked to run for the Executive Committee, please consider it an honor and accept the nomination. If elected, the position requires a minimal amount of time. Our chapter will continue only if our members are willing to serve.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE STILL NEEDS MEMBERS

The Program Committee is still in need of members. If you can help by serving the chapter in this way please contact Debi Overton, chair at 688-8085 or debi93@verizon.net.

BOMBARDE DEADLINES

Please note these dates for your articles and Date Docket material:

 Issue
 Deadline Date

 April
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 May 2, 2011

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FROM THE DEAN . . .

Greetings from sunny Florida, where my wife and I are spending our annual two-week respite from Buffalo weather. We're in Sarasota, a very culturally and musically active place with lots of theater, concerts, and churches with fine organs. Fortuitously, when we were here last year, the regional convention of the AGO was taking place, and I was able to attend it. This year, their AGO chapter is sponsoring some choral concerts and a recital by Gail Archer during our stay. Clearly the AGO is alive and well on Florida's gulf coast.

Well, we've filed away our Christmas and Advent choral music, stored our chorale preludes on In Dulci Jubilo and the like, and are into the pre-lent season. Before we know it, we'll be playing the music of lent and preparing our joyous Easter music. As the saying goes, Tempus Fugit!

Since the last *Bombarde* issue we have enjoyed a wonderful recital by Joan Lippincott on the Slee Hall organ (cosponsored by SUNY@B), and just this past Friday we enjoyed our post-Epiphany dinner at the Red Mill Inn. Looking ahead, our own Dr. David Bond will present a workshop on service music at First Presbyterian in February, the AGO contest will take place in March, Stephen Price will present a recital in April, and our annual meeting and dinner will take place in May.

I encourage everyone to attend David's workshop. He is so knowledgeable about church music, and I know I always benefit from his teaching. One of the main purposes of the Guild is education, and this workshop is a good example of how our chapter tries to fulfill that mission.

As we enter the new year, I encourage all of us to think about our mission to create beautiful music for our congregations and audiences. We organists are privileged to have a very special and wonderful calling, and I feel personally very fortunate to be part of that calling. I greatly appreciate the support of our members, and it is very gratifying to see how our members volunteer for members' recitals, accept committee appointments, support our patron program, and participate in our events. I thank all of you for your support, and I look forward to the remaining programs of this season.

Sincerely yours, Curt Holmes, CAGO, Dean

Don't miss the EASTMAN ORGANISTS' DAY concert Feb. 25... see listing in the 'Date Docket"

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OUR CHAPTER WEB SITE

A REMINDER: The calendar of events for the 2010-2011 season is available at the web site, and the *Bombarde* is available as well. So if there are future problems with the e-mailing of the newsletter, it will always be available to you. Please also note that due to National changes, to get to the "Positions Open" information, you will no longer need to enter: username: *agomember*, and password: *memberago*

MEMBERSHIP LIST UP-DATE

This information is provided so you can keep your Membership Directory up to date . . .

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We welcome new members — Jeffery Abbott, Thomas Mudd, and David Werth

POSITIONS OPEN . . .

Note: Only churches providing F.I.C.A. and Workers' Compensation as well as Unemployment and Disability Insurance are listed, and a written contract will be provided for all positions listed unless otherwise noted.

Previously Listed - Still Open

Org/Org-Dir: Trinity Lutheran Church [MS], West Seneca Organist: Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Lockport: one Sunday AM service (no choir), approx. 14 extra services; 30 + yr. old Allen organ; Benefits: 2 weeks paid vacation (no others); Salary: \$4,200 - \$4,700 [Evaluation = Below Minimum] contact Wayne Shutt at 713-6520

Organist: First Presbyterian Church, Springville: one Sunday AM service, weekly (Sun.) choir rehearsal, three extra services, monthly staff meeting; early 1900's Tellers – Kent organ (reconditioned, releathered, and rebuilt in 1990); Benefits: 4 weeks paid vacation, no others; Salary: \$6,000 – \$8,000 [Evaluation = Adequate] contact Nina Hansen at 592-3482

PLEASE NOTE: For information about Roman Catholic Church positions please call Alan Lukas at 652-6565

IMPORTANT: You are reminded that listing of positions in this newsletter does not imply endorsement by the Buffalo Chapter A.G.O. or any of its committees. Appropriateness of a position must be judged by the applicant him/her self. For help with this, you may wish to contact the Placement Chair for additional information about a position and/or consult with a member who previously held the position. You are also reminded to be very cautious about accepting a position without a written contract.

DATE DOCKET . . . a listing of members events

All events are free unless otherwise noted

Tuesday, February 22 at 7:30 PM – St. Thomas' Anglican Church, 99 Ontario Street, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada: Gala Organ Concert by JAMES O'DONNELL, Organist and Master of the Choisters at Westminster Abbey, England; Tickets: \$20 in advance (call 905-684-2339 or 905-227-2511), \$25 at the door; a wine and cheese reception follows where you can chat with Mr. O'Donnell who will be responsible for all of the music for the Royal Wedding of William and Kate in the Abbey - April 29

Friday, February 25 at 7:30 PM – Baker Memorial United Methodist Church, 345 Main St., East Aurora: Music for Organ and Viola – Organist, Judy Congdon and Violist, Donna Lorenzo performing – Grace Dean Memorial Concert Series

Friday, February 25 at 7:30 PM – Lippes Concert Hall in Slee Hall, SUNY@B: EASTMAN ORGANISTS' DAY; performances by Eastman organ students: Jonathan Wessler, Shinon Nakagawa, Malcolm Matthews, and John Morabito – works by Boëly, J.S. Bach, Buxtehude, Widor, Rheinberger, Böhm, Franck, Tobin, and Alain; Tickets: \$10 / \$5 seniors & students

Sunday, March 13 at 4:00 PM – St. Benedict's RC Church, Main Street and Eggert Road, Eggertsville: ORGAN RECITAL by Roland Martin; fee-will offering, refreshments will follow

Friday, March 18 at 7:30 PM – Baker Memorial United Methodist Church, East Aurora: Houghton Chamber Ensembles performing – Grace Dean Memorial Concert Series

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, Buffalo - EVENTS:

Sunday, February 27 at 3:00 PM – Evensong – Choir of Men & Girls

Thursday, March 10 at 7:30 PM – SPRING CONCERT – The Cathedral Choirs – William Harris anthems and Jean Richafort, *Requiem* - including a visual art presentation; Tickets: \$10 (call 855-0900 ext. 242 or from www.musicatstpauls.com) / students & children under 12 free

Sunday, March 27 at 3:00 PM – Evensong – Choir of Men & Girls

WEEKLY - at St. Paul's Cathedral:

CHORAL EVENSONG AT 5:45 PM:

Tuesdays - Boys' Choir, Wednesdays - Girls' Choir FRIDAYS at 12:30 PM - Cathedral Recitals - Feb. 4-Abigail Rockwood, organ / Feb. 11- organ / Feb. 18piano / Feb. 25- soprano duet & Tim Socha, piano / Mar. 4- soprano / Mar. 11- classical guitar / Mar. 18-Christina Shrewsbury, organ / Mar. 25- Arts Academy Choir

For more information call 842-6933 or go to:stpaulscathedral.org

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