Principal Pipings

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Greetings from the dean

Greetings of the Season, AGO friends!

It's hard to believe that December is here. Wasn't it just a couple of weeks ago that we had our potluck and used music sale to kick off the year, followed by those wonderful recitals given by Marcello Giannini and Jonathan Rudy? And we're just getting started! Your Executive Committee has some exciting programming coming in the new year—you won't want to miss Richard Webster's choral workshop on January 30th. Have you been thinking about what you might play for our members' recital on March 4th? Start talking to your choir members now about our hymn festival on May 21-22 with David Cherwien, jointly sponsored with Louisville's chapter—we want to have a large choir to participate. And I hope you're as excited as I am about our Pipe Organ Encounter next summer! Be watching your mail-box for our POE brochure which will be mailed soon. We expect to fill our POE with twenty students, so if you know of a young keyboard student who is interested in organ be sure to pass along a brochure and tell him or her to register now before all the spots are gone!

Sub-dean Larry Sharp and I met last month with Karl Bruhn, our Great Lakes Region Councillor; the dean and sub-dean from Louisville; and Glenna Metcalfe, Kentucky convener. We had a great morning swapping ideas and talking about our chapters. Karl again praised the Lexington chapter for our activities and enthusiasm. You are all responsible for the success of our chapter—thanks for the great job you are doing in this regard!

With the arrival of the holiday season, I know many of you are preparing the best music possible for your congregations and audiences. Through your efforts, you are fulfilling the mission of the Guild by enriching people's lives with your organ and choral music. I wish for you a hopeful, peaceful Advent, and a very Merry Christmas! See you in the New Year!

Jane

December Events

FRI / 12.4.15 7.30p	Handel's Messiah, Lexington Baroque Ensemble and the Cathedral Choir Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
SAT / 12.5.15 7.30p	Lexington Chamber Chorale Christmas in the Great Hall Second Presbyterian Church, Lexington
SAT / 12.5.15 2.00p & 7.30p	Collage, UK Choirs and Lexington Singers Singletary Center for the Arts, Lexington
SUN / 12.6.15 3.00p	Collage, UK Choirs and Lexington Singers Singletary Center for the Arts, Lexington
SUN / 12.6.15 7.00p	First Cantata of J. S. Bach's Christmas Oratorio and Mozart's Solemn Vespers, Kentucky Bach Choir First Presbyterian Church, Lexington
SAT / 12.12.15 8.00p	Messiah, Lexington Singers Singletary Center for the Arts, Lexington
SAT / 12.12.15 8.00p	Messiah, Lexington Philharmonic and Lexington Chamber Chorale Cathedral of Christ the King, Lexington
SUN / 12.13.15 2.30p	Berea Classic Chorale Winter Concert directed by Larry Brandenburg Union Church, Berea
SUN / 12.13.15 4.00p	The Kentucky River Strings, with Reception St. John's Episcopal Church, Versailles
SUN / 12.13.15 6.30p (prelude) 7.00p (festival)	A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols Cathedral Choir with Organ Prelude Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
SUN / 12.20.15 2.00p	Christmas Organ Music, Lexington AGO POE Benefit Crestwood Christian Church, Lexington

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SUN / 12.20.15 A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
5.00p with Good Shepherd Choirs, Jon Johnson, Director
Owen Sammons, Organist

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, Lexington

MON / 12.21.15

A Ceremony of Carols by Benjamin Britten
Elaine Cook, Harp, Cathedral Girls Choir

Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington

THU / 12.24.15 Festive Candlelight Holy Eucharist, St. John's Parish
10:30p Choir, William Webber, Organist/Choirmaster,
St. John's String Quartet, Dr. Joseph Ceo, Director

St. John's Episcopal Church, Versailles

Message from the Editor

Shortest newsletter ever? Yes, as people prepare for the holidays there are no submitted articles this month. Nonetheless December is important to us with a huge list of programs and holiday oriented events. In particular, please consider attending the chapter sponsored Christmas Organ Music program on Sunday December 20 at 2:00 pm at Crestwood Christian Church in Lexington. See our flyer at:

http://www.agolexington.org/AGOXmasOrganMusic.pdf

As you plan your end of year charitable contributions please consider a gift to the chapter in support of the upcoming Pipe Organ Encounter in July. All proceeds from the Christmas Organ Music program benefit the POE.

Finally, in this period of thanks and preparation for a new year, we offer our collective chapter appreciation to those who have provided financial support for our programs and this publication by purchasing advertising in our yearbook, website, and this newsletter.

If you care to share something with us, such as a a story about how you came to be an organist or an interesting article about an experience as a musician, please drop me an email at sheydinger@yahoo.com. Happy New Year!

Scott



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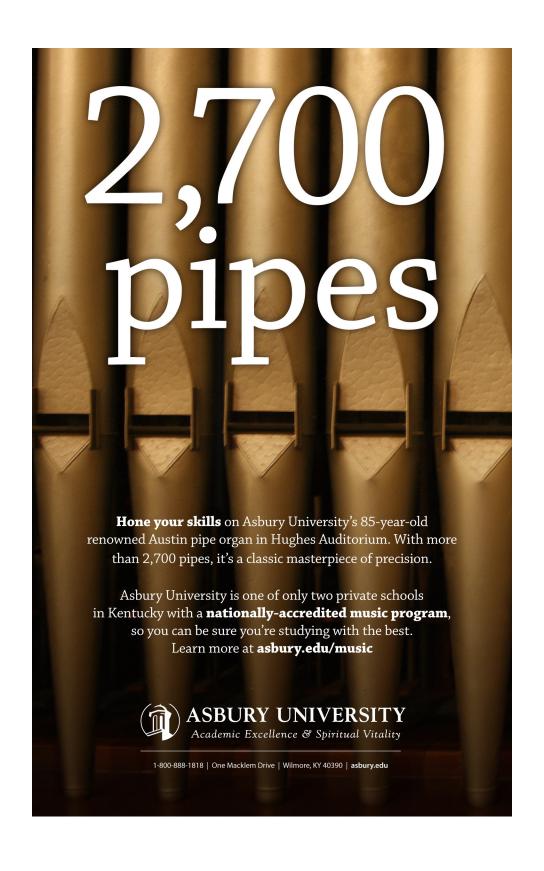
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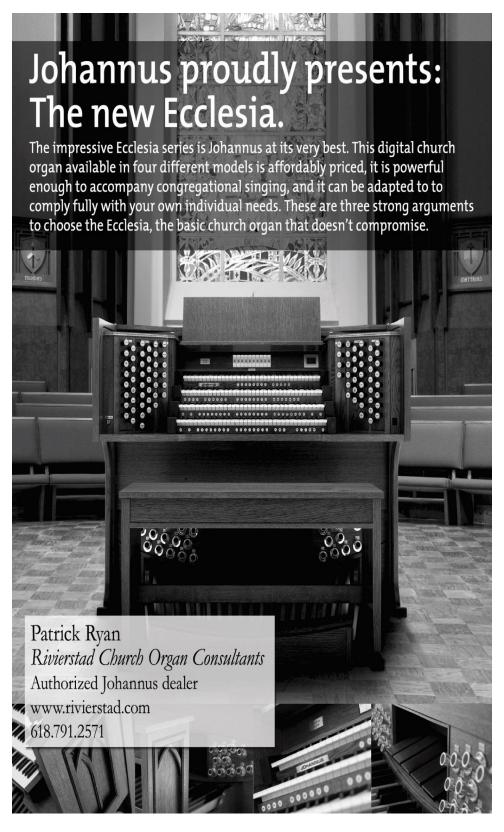
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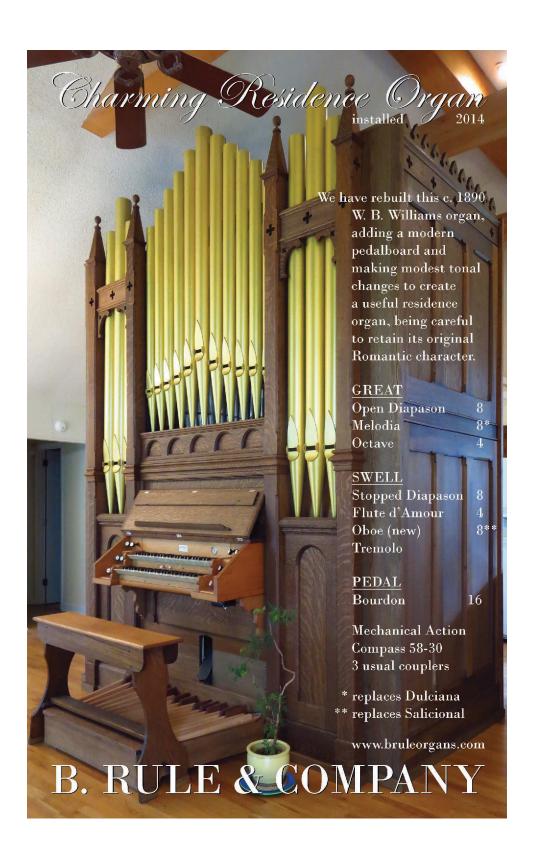
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Friday, December 4

7:30pm George Frideric Handel's Messiah Cathedral Choir For ticket reservations, call 859-254-4497,

ext. 108, or visit www.ccclex.org



Sunday, December 13

7:00pm A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols Cathedral Choir

Monday, December 21

Noon A Ceremony of Carols by Benjamin Britten Elaine Cook, harp and the Cathedral Girls Choir



Palm Sunday, March 20

4:00pm Gabriel Fauré's Requiem Choir of Men and Boys



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