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A Message from the Dean

Greetings!

Many thanks to Thom Bohlert and the Rev. Mark Philips for their exceptional presentations on our recent East End Organ Crawl. The drear of winter cold seems to have affected our turnout for this event, but those who attended had a wonderful time.

Winter weather also got in the way of our Scholarship Auditions, which, due to a snow event, have been postponed to Friday, April 17th. Miraculously, all parties involved, including the host church, St. Patrick's, Huntington, were available for this impromptu snow date. Thank you to Dr. Joan Daly-Lewis and the entire scholarship team for their great work on this vital program. There is still time to contribute to the Suffolk Scholarship Fund (page 5); thank you in advance for your generosity.

Scott Montgomery's program for the Scholarship Recital on Sunday, May 3rd is bound to bring our program year to a thrilling close, with a number of well-known orchestral transcriptions scheduled. I hope to see each and every one of our members at this exciting event! Please take note of the special considerations relating to admission fees for the Scholarship Recital on page 2.

Please RVSP to me by phone or email as soon as possible to reserve your seat for the End-of-the-Year Dinner at *Tutto Pazzo* Italian Restaurant. I just stopped in there for dinner a few days ago, and the food was superb!

Best wishes, and see you soon,
Matthew Koraus

Next Chapter Meeting:

Sunday, May 3rd, 3:30pm

The ANNUAL SAGO

SCHOLARSHIP RECITAL

featuring Scott Montgomery

**at the Church of St. Patrick,
400 Main Street, Huntington, NY 11743.**



Chapter Programs In-Depth

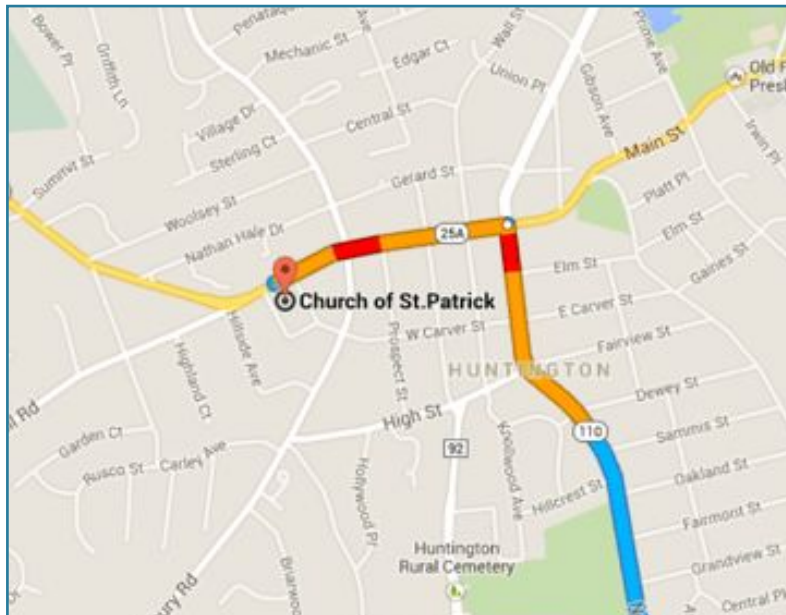
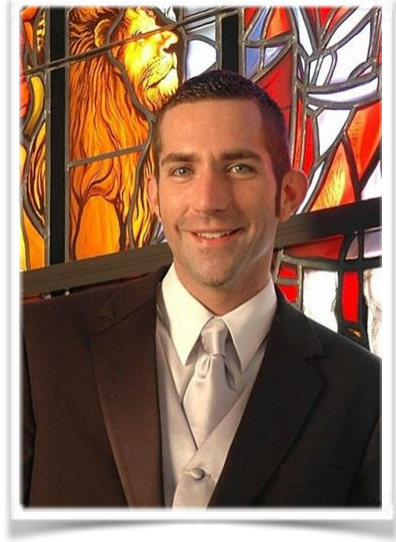
Sun., May 3rd, 2015, 3:30pm

Scholarship Recital with Scott Montgomery

Nationally-renowned organist Scott Montgomery will present a dazzling variety of works on the new Glück instruments at the Church of St. Patrick, 400 Main Street, Huntington, NY 11743. Many of our members fondly remember Mr. Montgomery's lively performances on Long Island a few years ago.

His accessible and engaging program will include Ives' "Variations on *America*," as well as a number fabulous orchestral transcriptions for organ, such as Debussy's "Arabesque #2," Holsts' "Jupiter (from *The Planets*)," and Saint-Saëns' "Danse Macabre."

Scholarship awards will be presented to this year's successful candidates during the recital. A light reception will follow in the lower hall; all are welcome.



Directions: Take the Northern State to Exit 40 North (Rte. 110/New York Ave.) for approximately 6 miles. Left on Rte. 25A heading West (Main St., Huntington). Follow for 5 blocks. St. Patrick Church is on the left, directly opposite Rite Aid Drug Store.

PLEASE NOTE:

At this venue, it is the policy of the church to NOT charge admission for any event taking place in the church. Of course, we will honor this policy and appreciate the cooperation of St. Patrick's in helping us make Mr. Montgomery's performance on their new organs a reality. Traditionally, we have collected an admission fee, from both members and non-members, to help defray the operational expenses related to the Scholarship program (artist transportation and stipend, judges honoraria, church custodial fees, etc.). Since this will not be permitted, we would much appreciate members considering a donation to help us cover these expenses. The suggested contribution is \$15 for adults, and \$10 for seniors. Of course, we will gratefully accept donations in any amount toward this program. Checks can be made payable to Suffolk Chapter AGO, and mailed to Janet Pinto, 7 Daremy Court, Melville, NY 11747.

In addition to any contribution you might send to help us to cover the recital costs, there is still time to support the program through additional Scholarship Fund donations and ads, which will appear in the program. The deadline for ads and donor acknowledgements in the program is April 20th. The advertiser/donor form may be found on page 5 of this newsletter.



Sun., May 3rd, 2015, 6pm
End-of-the-Year Dinner at *Tutto Pazzo* Restaurant, Huntington

Following the recital and reception, the End-of-the-Year Dinner will be held at Tutto Pazzo Tuscan-Italian Restaurant, 84 New York Avenue, Huntington, NY 11743. This restaurant is less than five minutes away from St. Patrick's, our recital venue. We have a lovely private room reserved.

We will collect \$35 CASH at the restaurant from each person. Please bring exact change.

Hors d'oeuvres such as mini-pizzettes, bruschetta, mozzarella sticks, and vegetables will be served first, followed by a fresh garden salad, and a choice of entree: 1) Rigatoni alla Vodka, 2) Eggplant Parmigiana, or 3) Chicken Francese. Dessert, coffee, tea, and soda are included. Wine and any other beverages are an extra charge which should be paid directly to the wait-staff by the individual. **RSVP to Matt Koras by April 24th (extended) to reserve your seat: matthewkoras@gmail.com.**

Other Programs of Note



Sun., April 26th at 3pm
VOXAQUARUM quartet
with lutenist Chris Morrongiello

Long Island's newest professional vocal quartet collaborates with lutenist Chris Morrongiello in a vibrant program of Renaissance lute-song and madrigals entitled *A Life in Love*. Works by Dowland, Farmer, Farnaby, Monteverdi, Morely, and others. Katrina Montagna, soprano; Chelsea Laggan, alto; Matthew Koras, tenor; and Brian Goff, bass. At St. John's Episcopal Church, 12 Prospect St, Huntington, NY 11743. \$20

Weds., May 13 at pm
SoLI - Singers of Long Island
with the LI Brass Guild

present a concert entitled *First Fruits on the Eve of the Ascension*. Works to include Copland's "In the Beginning," Philips' "Ascendit Deus," brass works by Gabrielli and Shostokovich, and double choir works by Schutz and Victoria. At John's Lutheran Church, 48 Greene Avenue, Sayville, NY 11782. Suggested donation \$10 to benefit the church's Renovation and Pipe Organ Fund. Call (631) 589-3202, ext. 105 for more info.



Sun., May 31 at 3pm
4th Annual Festival of Sacred Music, St. Patrick's Huntington

featuring the Youth Choir and Adult Chorale of the Church of St. Patrick, accompanied by a professional orchestra. Works to include Mozart's famous "Coronation Mass," Handel's Organ Concerto in B-flat, Op.7, no.4, and a number of American spirituals. At the Church of St. Patrick, 400 Main Street, Huntington NY 11743. (631) 385-3311, ext. 365. Free-will offering. More info at <http://stpatrickhuntingtonmusic.weebly.com>

June 28 through July 1st

The New Haven AGO 2015 Regional Convention

featuring recitals by Diane Meredith Belcher, Peter Richard Conte, Ahreum Han, and Thomas Murray, as well as numerous presentations and workshops practical to the life of today's organist. Presented in cooperation with the Yale Institute of Sacred Music. Visit <http://www.newhavenago2015.org> for the complete program schedule and convention registration information.



Placement

All job seekers are encouraged to speak with the previous organist prior to accepting a long-term engagement.

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

754 Montauk Highway, Islip NY 11751

Position: Organist/Choir Director

Salary: between \$25,000 and \$35,000

Two Sunday services with music, with the a 12-voice Adult Choir singing the second service. The organ is a 1994 three-manual Wicks of 14 ranks, 32 registers. The church also holds two baby grand pianos, a double harpsichord and single harpsichord. Contact the Very Rev. Richard E. Simpson for more information at (631) 581-4950, or by email at ricktssf@optonline.net.

The Congregational Church of Patchogue

95 E. Main Street, Patchogue, NY 11772

Position: Organist OR Organist/Choir Director

Salary: \$17,000

One Sunday service, 10AM, one Thursday rehearsal 7:30PM with additional services for Holy Days. One annual (pro bono) recital for Organ Fund is also expected. The church has a three manual, 1915, Midmer organ in very good condition. Contact the Rev. Dwight Lee Wolter at (631) 475-1235 or pastor@churchonmainstreet.org.

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the 15th of the month prior**

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Advertiser / Donor Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Signature _____

RECITAL PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENTS:

Yes, I'd like to place an advertisement in the 2015 Scholarship Awards Recital Program as follows:

- ¼ page @ \$ 15.00 _____ 4.25 inches wide X 1.75 high
- ½ page @ \$ 25.00 _____ 4.25 inches wide X 3.5 high
- Full page @ \$ 50.00 _____ 4.25 inches wide X 7.25 high

I am submitting copy as follows: JPEG/PDF OR information for Suffolk AGO to prepare the ad for me.

I will email the ad or information to matthewkoraus@gmail.com by APRIL 20, 2015

A check payable to **Suffolk Chapter, AGO**, in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed with this order form.
Please mail to **Janet Pinto, 7 Daremy Court, Melville, NY 11747-2704.**

SUFFOLK AGO SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS:

Yes, I'd like to support the Suffolk AGO Scholarship with a donation (by April 20, 2015) in the amount of:

- ____Vox Celeste \$ 1,000+ ____Trumpet \$500+ ____Rohrflöte \$250+
- ____Principal \$100+ ____Diapason \$15+ ____Other \$ _____

NAME (please print) _____
(name to be listed in the program as a scholarship donor)

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