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A Message from the Dean

Greetings!

Despite the frigid temperatures of the past month, attendance was superb at our past two chapter events, the Children's Choir Festival, and the Members' Recital. Andrea Baxter's presentation for choir directors was eye-opening, and her skill and energy gloriously opened up the sound of the children assembled for the festival service. Many thanks again to festival coordinators Deanna Muro and Helen Kegerreis for their efforts. Next year will mark the 25th year of the Children's Choir Festival and an extra-special anniversary program is being planned; stay tuned for more information! The joint chapter Members' Recital was well-played, featuring one of the most diverse programs in recent memory (including a fugue on the theme of "The Munsters!")

Our East End Organ Crawl on Saturday, March 7th promises to be an exciting outing. The previous issue of Suffolk Soundings incorrectly listed "Il Cappucino" as the lunch venue; unfortunately, that restaurant will not be available to us. Please RSVP to Thom Bohlert if you plan on attending the Organ Crawl, as this information will be helpful in determining alternate lunch plans. You can reach him at thbohlertfirstpres@hotmail.com, or by telephone at (631) 324-2397.

Also, the Scholarship Auditions and Scholarship Recital with Scott Montgomery are quickly approaching. Please take note of the opportunity to donate to the Suffolk Scholarship Fund (page 5). Thank you in advance for your support of this vital program, from which our region's budding organists directly benefit.

Best wishes, and see you soon,
Matthew Koraus

Next Chapter Meeting:

**Saturday, March 7th,
An EASTEND ORGAN CRAWL**

**starting 11am at First Presbyterian Church,
120 Main Street, East Hampton, NY 11937;
continuing at 2pm to Old Whalers' Church,
44 Union Street, Sag Harbor, NY 11963**

RSVP to Thom Bohlert, thbohlertfirstpres@hotmail.com



Chapter Programs at a Glance

Sat., 3/7, 11am and 2pm

East End Organ Crawl

East Hampton Presbyterian Church and the Whalers' Church, Sag Harbor

Fri., 3/20, 3pm:

Scholarship Auditions

St. Patrick RC Church, Huntington

Sun., 5/3, 3:30pm:

Scholarship Recital

Scott Montgomery, recitalist
St. Patrick RC Church, Huntington

Sun., 5/3, 6pm:

End-of-the Year Dinner

at Tutto Pazzo Restaurant
Huntington



Chapter Programs In-Depth

Sat., March 7, 2015,

11am and 2pm

East End Organ Crawl

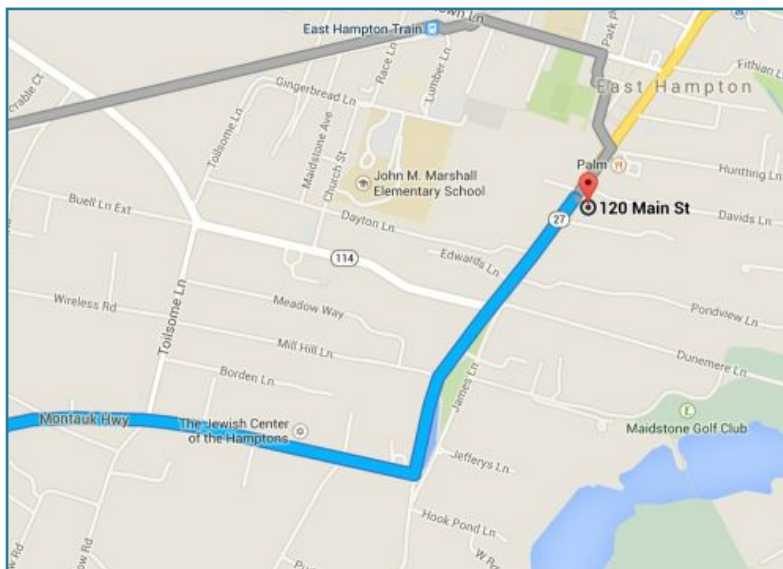


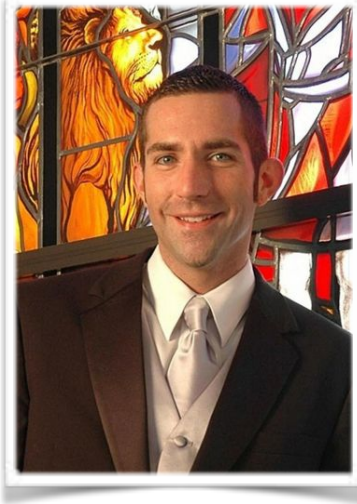
Chapter member Thom Bohlert, FAGO, will lead a tour of two instruments of note on the South Fork. We will meet first at 11am at the First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton, 120 Main Street, East Hampton, which houses a mid-sized instrument by Austin. Following a 12:30pm lunch, we will move to the historic Old Whalers' Church, 44 Union Street, Sag Harbor at 2pm, where the church's pastor, the Rev. Mark Philips, will lead a presentation on Long Island's oldest pipe organ (Henry Erben, 1845).

Members in attendance will have the opportunity to play at each location. The organ at First Presbyterian is a 27-rank, three-manual Austin with an enclosed Swell and Choir. The 8' and 4' stops and the celestes are especially warm, and the upper work, typical of the period, doesn't dominate. Most repertoire should work well. The organ at Old Whalers Church is mechanical action and has a nonstandard keyboard and a nonstandard, flat, parallel pedalboard. C is not where you expect it to be! This can be fun to explore and experience, but choose your pieces accordingly. Though recitalists have played all kinds of repertoire, English voluntaries or pieces that don't have a difficult pedal part may be good for a first run.

Please RSVP to Thom Bohlert at thbohlertfirstpres@hotmail.com, or by telephone at (631) 324-2397.

Directions to First Presbyterian: Take Route 27 (Sunrise Hwy.) east to Southampton, where the highway ends but Route 27 continues as a main street. In Southampton there is a well-marked intersection where Route 27 turns left. Continue through Water Mill, Bridgehampton, and Wainscott to East Hampton. In East Hampton there is another large intersection where Route 27 turns left (at the pond). Continue on 27 about a half-mile to First Presbyterian Church on the right side (the big white church). There is room to park in the driveway, or park on the street, observing the parking signs.





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 surely resonate with both serious devotees of the instrument as well as first-time concert goers. Bring a friend!

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.

Admission \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors, and students.

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 with 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 Koraus **by April 20th** to reserve your seat: matthewkoraus@gmail.com.



Chapter Membership Directory Correction:

Please mark in your copy of the directory that Claire Klein’s current email address is clairefklein@gmail.com.

HELP WANTED!

We are in need of “editorial assistants” for the chapter newsletter, who would assist in compiling a list of events for the section “Other Programs of Note,” preparing summaries and photos of past chapter events, and keeping tabs on National AGO news. For more information, please contact Newsletter Editor Matthew Koraus, matthewkoraus@gmail.com.



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Other Programs of Note



Sunday, March 8 at 4 pm **Organ Recital**

Given by Amelia Javorina, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 99 Central Park Road, Plainview. Works of Bach, Boellmann, Dupré, and Vierne. \$10 admission.

Sunday, March 15 at 3:30 pm **Hofstra Chamber Singers**

Featuring "a cappella" choral works spanning the centuries, presented by one of Long Island's finest choral ensembles; David Fryling, conductor. At the Church of St. Patrick, 400 Main Street, Huntington NY 11743. (631) 385-3311, ext. 365. Free. More info at <http://stpatrickhuntingtonmusic.weebly.com>

Sunday, March 15, 4 pm **Lenten Evensong**

featuring the St. Peter's Parish Choir singing English music of the 17th century, Mark Engelhardt, Director of Music. At St. Peter's-by-the-Sea, 500 South Country Rd, Bayshore. (Free Will Offering)

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. Suggested donation. More info at <http://stpatrickhuntingtonmusic.weebly.com>



Placement

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

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

320 Great River Rd., Great River, NY 11739

Position: Part-Time Organist/Pianist/Choir Director

Salary: up to \$11,000, negotiable based on experience

One evening choir rehearsal weekly (times flexible), and one

Sunday service weekly, with additional holiday services. The

organ is a 1986 Johannus, and the piano is a 2014 Yamaha.

Contact the Rev. Lauren McLeavey for more information at

(631) 581-3964, or by email at emmanuelgr@verizon.net.

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- 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)

A check payable to **Suffolk Chapter, AGO**, in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed with this form.
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