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DEAN'S MESSAGE

The 1987-88 season is coming to a close; it seems like we've just begun. This has been a great year, and we, as your officers are very appreciative of the support received from the members and friends of the AGO. There has been much growth in the Utah Valley Chapter and already there are several people who are joining us as new members next year. We need each member to continue to help increase membership by sharing the AGO with your friends who have interest in organ and Church music.

June will be a busy month for the officers as we begin the planning for next year's events and activities. We need your help and suggestions. Please take an extra minute to write on your ballot ideas you may have to help improve our activities and to increase our attendance.

We have two special activities this month. Among your busy schedules please help us support David Ralphs in a very outstanding recital, the first of a series of organ recitals sponsored by the Utah Valley Chapter. We hope you will attend and invite your family, neighbors and friends. Friday, May 27th, 7:30 pm, Provo Tabernacle. Also, on May 20th is our organ crawl in Salt Lake City, hosted by Mervin Brown. We will visit several organs in the valley and will be able to play them, so bring your music. The evening will end at the Brown home to see his pipe organ and to enjoy refreshments. We will meet at the Harris Fine Arts Center, BYU, at 6:00pm for rides and begin the crawl at the Granite Tabernacle, 2100 South 900 East, SLC, at about 7:15pm. We hope to see you at these outstanding events this month.

Scott Mills
Dean

UTAH VALLEY CHAPTER AGO ORGAN RECITAL SERIES

The first recital in this new series will feature artists David Ralphs, organ and Doreen Kurr, soprano in performance Friday May 27th, 7:30pm in the Provo Tabernacle.

David Ralphs received his B.M. degree in theory and composition from Brigham Young University in 1984 and his M.M. degree in organ performance in 1987. He has studied with Dr. Parley Belnap at Brigham Young University, Dr. Doreen Kurr while at Snow College, and following his graduation, with J.J. Keeler.

Soprano Doreen Kurr received her B.M. degree in applied organ and voice, her M.M. degree in theory from Brigham Young University, and her D.M.A. degree in voice and organ performance from the University of Washington in 1971. She presently teaches music privately in Ephraim, Utah.

The vocal works on the recital will include "Et incarnatus est" from the Grand Mass in c minor by Mozart. This exquisite work is in the form of a concert aria, complete with a cadenza. The other vocal works are by Schuetz, Handel, and the early American composer John Antes.

The featured organ work will be the "Sonata in b minor" by LeRoy Robertson, premiered by J.J. Keeler in 1937. It is in the form of continuous variations on two themes in three movements, and is a very colorful work which has also been transcribed for orchestra. Other organ works will include "Prelude and Fugue in G Major" by Bach and "Prelude and Fugue in g minor" by Dupre.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To those of you who may participate in KBYU-FM's fund raising - please ask that your donation be applied to the funding for PIPE-DREAMS, otherwise we may lose this weekly presentation.

Enclosed are your ballots to vote for next season's slate of officers selected by the nominating committee. These need to be returned by June 1st.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

20TH Chapter Meeting, Organ Crawl in Salt Lake City, hosted by Mervin Brown, Dean of the Salt Lake Chapter. Meet at the north door of the Harris Fine Arts Bldg., BYU at 6:00pm.

27TH Recital, David Ralphs, Organ and Doreen Kurr, Soprano. Provo Tabernacle, 7:30pm.

JUNE

1ST Ballots due to vote for next season's officers.



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