



UTAH VALLEY
CHAPTER
NEWSLETTER

THOUGHT FROM THE DEAN

I recently read a novel entitled "Divine Inspiration," a Homer Kelly mystery by Jane Langton. The story setting is Boston and involves a missing organist and the organ builder who helps in the search for her and, of course, falls in love with her. The book goes into great detail about the large tracker organ he is building, including a dummy draw knob engraved with the designation "Divine Inspiration." The Minister of Music/Organist of the church that commissioned the organ asked for this "stop" with the idea that if things were not going well during the service, he might pull it along with his other stops, hoping he would then receive the needed inspiration. An interesting concept, isn't it?

However, the source of such help isn't really activated by the pulling of a draw knob. It is simply found only a prayer away. One of my favorite scriptures offers this suggestion: "But behold, I say unto you that ye must pray always, and not faint; that ye must not perform any thing unto the Lord save in the first place ye shall pray unto the Father in the name of Christ, that he will consecrate thy performance unto thee, that thy performance may be for the welfare of thy soul." (2 Ne 32:9)

But how often do we remember this? Makes me wonder if that draw knob, functioning as a reminder of the source of divine inspiration, isn't such a bad idea after all!

--Lella Pomeroy

SPECIAL NOTICE!

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On Wednesday, April 10, at 11:30 a.m., Governor Leavitt will be signing a paper honoring the American Guild of Organists for 100 years of service. All members of AGO are invited to attend the ceremony which will be in the governor's office, 210 State Capitol Building, SLC. This will be an historic event no AGO member would want to miss.

OPEN HOUSE AND AGO MARCH CHAPTER MEETING

On Friday, March 22, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Mike Bigelow will be hosting an open house for the general public to view Opus 24, a 40-stop, 3-manual tracker organ, which has been built for Conception Abbey in Conception, Missouri. There will be one playable stop available for the open house and our chapter meeting the next day, Saturday, March 23, for which we have invited the Salt Lake Chapter to join us. The Saturday event will start at 10:00 a.m. after which we will have a light lunch. You are invited to come to either or both events with family and friends. The address is 130 W. 100 S., American Fork.

This will be an interesting and educational event for anyone to see how organs are made.

MARCH BOARD MEETING

This is a reminder that the next board meeting will be held on Thursday, the 21st at 7:30 p.m. at Lella's. Please let her know if you cannot come.

BACH B MINOR MASS PERFORMANCE

BYU's Early Music Ensemble will be performing the B Minor Mass on Friday, March 22, at 8:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Madeleine, SLC. Douglas Bush is the conductor.

Music for a Sunday Evening - Music for two violins and piano--Janice Vincent and Karen Hughes, accompanied by Dian Baker-Drinkall. March 24, 7:00 p.m., State Hospital Chapel, 1300 E. Center, Provo

SPRING MEMBERSHIP SIGN-UP

Please notice a change in the rates on the enclosed form. Instead of \$33 for special membership, it should be \$30; and, instead of \$27 for student membership, it should be \$16.

PIPEDREAMS - KBYU-FM 89, Tues., 9:00 p.m.

Be sure to listen on April 23rd, when the program, "The United States of Bach," will be aired. It will include excerpts from Douglas Bush's *Orgelbuchlein* CD that he recorded last year at the Cathedral of the Madeleine--"O Lamm Gotes, unschuldig;" "Christe, du Lamm Gottes;" "Da Jesus an dem Kreuze stand;" and "Christus, der uns selig macht." (See page 95 of the 1996 March issue of the TAO for the rest of the program.)

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