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is to enrich lives through organ and choral music.*

DEAN'S MESSAGE
Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

On Monday evening, November 19th, congregations and choirs from twenty of the Boise downtown area worshipping communities will gather at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist for a worship service which emphasizes shared spirituality. The perspectives run from Traditional Christian to Progressive; from Eastern to Western; from ancient Faiths to (relatively) new. And this idea is replicated during the week of Thanksgiving around the city, the state, the country—the world. There is, for instance, the Interfaith Festival of Hymns held in the Temple Square Assembly Hall in Salt Lake City in which hymns of Thanksgiving from all faith traditions are sung by everyone.

While Ecumenism has blossomed since W.W.II (and the World Council of Churches) and especially since Vatican II, church musicians have always shared an ecumenical spirit: it has always been easier to get the musicians of various faiths in “harmony” than the theologians. A glance though the various hymnals will show a variety of religious traditions, such as a Catholic hymn reset by a German Lutheran translated by the Church of England found in a Presbyterian hymnal. While fellow Christians may not be able to share the Lord's Supper, they can always share what Jesus and his Disciples did after the Last Supper—singing together God's praises with a great hymn. Make an Ecumenical or Interfaith Thanksgiving Service part of your Thanksgiving week—at St. John's or another location—and lend your voice to the shared spirituality of fellow musicians-in-faith. It can become part of a profound Thanksgiving Week tradition.

2013 AGO CERTIFICATION

There is still time to plan and practice for
2013 AGO Certification.

You can do it!

What's Coming Up?

Les Bois Christmas Party
At the home of A.J. and Suzie Balukoff
Details are forthcoming

Downtown Christmas Church Walk
December 26 , 3-6 p.m.

There will be live music at four churches. **Members**—would you like to be part of this by playing 15-20 minutes of background music at one of these churches during the Church Walk? Contact me at civillo2@hotmail.com if you would like to play.

From 5:30 p.m. there will be a half hour Christmas song and carol sing at St. John's Cathedral with Ray Morvant directing and Michael Civiello as organ accompanist. As you know, the twelve days of the Christmas season doesn't begin until Christmas so that's why we will be singing Christmas songs at that time. You can get details and a map at www.agoboise.org.

Cathedral Concert Series
Features Chamber Music

The second event of the Cathedral Concert Series will feature chamber music on **Friday, November 2** at 7:30 PM in the Cathedral of the Rockies sanctuary. Performing artists include Professor Craig Purdy, violin; Carola K. Winkle, clarinet; Dr. Bill Winkle, tuba, and Peggy Purdy, piano. One of the highlights of the evening will be a work by the late, Melvin Shelton. Professor Emeritus at Boise State, Shelton was the Director of Bands from 1968- 1992 and is a nationally recognized ASCAP composer. This premiere performance entitled Every Blessing was written for Winkles and was the last composition by Shelton. Other chamber works include Milhaud, Joplin, Blavet, Ernst, and Vaughan. The public is invited to attend the event free of charge. A suggested donation of \$10.00 for adults will assist in operation of the series.



**Where in the
USA is this con-
sole?**

A wonderful video of Nathan Laub's full length organ recital played on a spectacular restored Skinner pipe organ from the 2012 OHS Chicago Convention earlier in July is posted on youtube:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LcKYR24cwpU>



**Answer to the last
mystery question:**
Norte Dame—Paris

“On Monday, May 6th 2013 (Sunday, May 5th 2013 is also possible) works from Notre-Dame de Paris heritage will be played in more than 850 concerts in churches or concert halls all around the world. Due to time difference, the event will span on more than 24 hours, giving it a completely new dimension to the event.



The World Organ Day is part of the 850th anniversary of cathedral Notre-Dame de Paris, therefore we wish that each concert includes at least one piece of work from the organ repertoire of the cathedral. These works can also include choirs and instruments with the organ. You will find a list of organ composers from Notre-Dame de Paris below:”

**2013 MUSIC WEEK ORGANISTS
THINK ABOUT IT!**

“Charles RACQUET	1618-1659
Antoine CALVIERE	1730-1735
Armand-Louis COUPERIN	1755-1789
Louis-Claude DAQUIN	1755-1772
Claude-Bénigne BALBASTRE	1760-1793
Nicolas SEJAN	1772-1793
Jean-Jacques BEAUVARLET CHARPENTIER	1783-1793
Gervais-François COUPERIN	1789-1793
Félix DANJOU	1840-1847
Louis VIERNE	1900-1937
Léonce de SAINT-MARTIN	1937-1954
Pierre COCHEREAU	1955-1984
Yves DEVERNAY	1985-1990
Olivier LATRY	1985-
Jean-Pierre LEGUAY	1985- “

Meet Our Executive Committee

Robyn Henrie—Website



2013 Region VIII Convention

Salem, Oregon
June 23-26, 2013

www.agosalem.com

Make your plans now!



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Announcements, articles or any news of interest should be sent to me by the last Tuesday of each month.

VOTE!



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Les Bois Progressive Dinner and Recitals—October 5, 2012

Immanuel Lutheran Church



Sheryl Hillman
played
Mendelssohn,
Bach,
Widor, and
Gigout



Sylvia Hunt
with cellist,
Lorie Scherer
played
Baker,
Vivaldi,
Widor,
Chopin,
and Vierre

Michael Boney played
Lang, Togni, and Vierre

Hemingway Center—BSU

