SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2017
2:00 P.M.
ANNUAL MEETING
IN THE
COMMUNITY ROOM

ST. CHRISTOPHER’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
7845 RIVER ROAD
RIVER HILLS, WI

3:00
MEMBERS RECITAL

PERFORMERS:
TOM KOESTER
JANE LATVA
TIM PFEIFER
CHRISTIAN RICH
SCOTT RIEDEL
STEPHEN ROHDE
North Central Regional Convention
River Valley Chapter
Iowa City, IA
June 19-22, 2017

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May Dean’s Column

FROM THE KEYBOARD of Sheri Masiakowski

Spring greetings to all. I sadly bid farewell to my morning reflection before the crackling fire but the greening of the countryside in my multiple trips to Madison is welcome. This is the final week of school at UW-Madison. Yesterday was the last day of my Notation class that has been my biggest challenge. Multiple transcriptions of manuscripts from the 11th—15th centuries give me great appreciation for the evolution of musical scores. Modern rhythmic notation communicates clearly (my judgment) though based on common performance one might not know that. My teacher, Professor Lawrence Earp, retires at the end of this semester and he is the expert in this field in the western hemisphere (his comment yesterday).

A proof copy of the May 7 Members’ Recital just arrived in my email box. Audrey Rhinehart has done a smashing job with this program. I’m delighted by the offerings in this Recital and Festival of Hymns with Scott Riedel, Stephen Rohde, Jayne Latva, C. Christian Rich, Tim Pfeifer and Tom Koester. David Beyer’s suggestion to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Holtkamp installation with the faith community of St. Christopher’s Episcopal (River Hills) is exciting for both the Milwaukee Chapter and the local congregation. Join us on May 7th at 2pm (Annual Meeting) / 3pm (Members’ Recital) with reception to follow. Donations of organ scores / recordings received this past year will be available for you from 1:45pm onward.

Many thanks to David Bohn who led two recent Organ Crawls that involved our members: Saturday March 18th explored organs in the Beloit area and Friday April 21st focused on Catholic churches in Milwaukee (OHS/ALMA-Archipiscopal Liturgical Musicians’ Asn.). As always it is beneficial to work with organizations that share our interests. The visit to St. Anthony Parish—Milwaukee was a special treat for me as my parents were married there in 1947. I now have a treasured photo of the baptismal font over which I was baptized in 1952.

Left: First Congregational/Beloit—2001 Rieger-Kloss
Middle and Right: St. Anthony/Milwaukee—Wangerin/Erickson

My school semester is almost finished and (Thank God!) I have no final exams. Among this week’s assigned reading (for the Notation class that I spoke about above) is an article on “Improvisation and Musical Authorship in the Low Countries, 1450–1500.” Can you imagine improvised polyphony? That was the norm at this time. Meanwhile, this quote struck my fancy:

“Among others: music pleases God, adorns his praises, chases away the devil, exalts to ecstasy or pious contemplation, banishes melancholy, softens a hard heart, cures those who are ill, and adds to the pleasure of a banquet.” Tinctoris—music theorist, Opera theoretica, late 15th c.

May your music-making bring you and yours these rich experiences.  

Cordially,  
Sheri
**May 2017**

3 (Wed) 12:15 Louis Menchaca, Trumpet  
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist  
812 N. Jackson St  
Milwaukee, WI

7 (Sun) 2:00 Chapter Annual Meeting  
3:00 Members Recital  
St. Christopher’s Episcopal Church  
7845 N. River Road  
River Hills, WI

7 (Sun) 3:00 The Sepulcher –  
A Liturgical Easter Play  
Choral Scholarship Fundraiser Concert  
The Cathedral Church of All Saints  
818 E. Juneau Ave  
Milwaukee, WI

9 (Tues) 7:30 Simone Gheller, Organ  
Church of the Gesu  
1145 W. Wisconsin Ave  
Milwaukee, WI

10 (Wed) 12:15 Kevin Bailey, Organ  
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist  
812 N. Jackson St  
Milwaukee, WI

14 (Sun) 4:00 Karen Beaumont, Organ  
St. Casimir Church  
2600 N. Bremen  
Milwaukee, WI

17 (Wed) 12:15 Aaron Zeuner, Cello  
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31 (Wed) 12:15 Steve Jensen, Organ  
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