

JANUARY 2023

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Binghamton Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

DEAN'S MESSAGE...

Happy Holidays. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas. Despite all the COVID issues this past year, we were able to resume our successful Young Artist Series with a wonderful performance by our guest organist, Katherine Jolliff, at Central Methodist Church in Endicott. In case you missed it, you can hear the entire recital at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4y5GLs74NqU>.

Looking forward to the new year, we are having our post-Holiday dinner at Cortese Restaurant, Binghamton, at 5:00 pm on Sunday, January 15. We will need to know how many are coming, so please contact me (607-770-9865 or jholt@stny.rr.com) by Wednesday, January 11 to let me know if you will be attending. You are welcome to bring friends and family as well.

In addition to the resumption of our Young Artist Series, we are also delighted to resume our tradition of viewing the Fugue State Films documentaries with the newly released and highly anticipated DVD set on J.S. Bach. The first of two sessions will be held on Saturday, February 4 at 10:00am at Central Methodist Church in Endicott. We will start gathering at 9:30am and will begin the DVD presentation at 10:00am. The second session will be on March 4. Previously, we have shown Fugue State Films documentaries on Cavallé-Coll, Franck, Reger, and The English Organ, all of which have been excellent. The Bach DVD also should be first-rate.

Our condolences to Nancy Wildoner and her family on the passing of Nancy's husband, Robert Wildoner II. The obituary can be read at <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/robert-wildoner-obituary?id=38441158>.

John



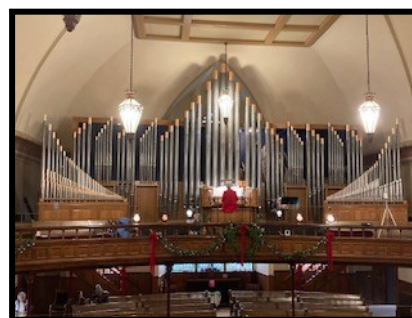
UPCOMING EVENTS...

- ♦ Saturday, January 7 - 4:00 pm - Trinity Memorial Episcopal Church, Binghamton and
Sunday, January 8 - 4:00 pm - Church of the Immaculate Conception, Greene, NY - **Ceremony and Celebration for Twelfth Night** - The Madrigal Choir of Binghamton bids farewell to the old year and welcomes the new with readings, early instruments and costumed singers. <https://madrigalchoir.com/concerts/>
- ♦ Sunday, January 15 - 5:00 pm - Our post-holiday dinner at Cortese Restaurant, 117 Robinson Street, Binghamton.
- ♦ Saturday, February 4 - 10:00 am - 1st session of the Fugue State Films documentary on J.S. Bach. Gathering at 9:30 am at Central Methodist Church, 17 Nanticoke Avenue, Endicott.
- ♦ Saturday, March 4 - 10:00 am - 2nd session of the Fugue State Films documentary on J.S. Bach. Gathering at 9:30am at Central Methodist Church, 17 Nanticoke Avenue, Endicott.
- ♦ Date and Time TBA - A 2 hour workshop **Piano to Organ - How Do You Get There!** This workshop will address the common hurdles that pianists encounter in transitioning to playing the organ in church.
- ♦ Sunday, June 11, 2023 - 4:00 pm - Members' Recital

ANOTHER COMPOSER AMONG US...

On Friday, December 9, I attended the second of Paulette Fry's **Advent Eats and Ears** at the United Presbyterian Church, Cortland, and was thrilled not only by the number of people in attendance, but by Paulette's delightful 1/2 hour of organ music on the expansive Holtkamp organ. She revealed herself as a talented composer/arranger with her clever pieces, *Romp on WINCHESTER NEW* and *Decked Halls*. You can no longer hide from us, Paulette. Our **members recital** is in June and we expect you to introduce us to more of your creations!

Sub-Dean Jean



A LOOK AT "THE CHRISTMAS SONG"...

THE MUSIC THEORY SONG

Oc - tave mov-ing to the me-di-ant. Ma - jor 6th step-ping down to do.

Ma - jor sec-onds be-ing sung by a choir, Chro - ma-tic al-ter-a-tions of the scale Di-a-ton-ic

scale de - scend-ing scale to min-or third Ma-jor 6th = V - 7 of IV

Ma - jor sec-onds with their ears o-pen wide will hear a pret-ty tri-tone to-night. There's mi-nor

sev - enth in the bridge. There's al-so lots of mi-nor sec-onds in the bridge. And ev-ry

mi-nor 6th is gon-na try to hear the su-per-ton-ic ov-er V of V A

mo - tif used to build this sim-ple phrase Ma - jor 6th five walks down to one. Al-

though this phrase ris - es to a high lead-ing tone, Drop a per-fect fifth, Meet the

Flint - stones, Sing a per - fect fourth, two one.

BRIO CHRISTMAS CONCERT...



On December 18th at the Endwell United Methodist Church, one could not help being swept up in the holiday spirit while listening to a wonderful array of vocal and instrumental music.

The vocal group BRIO, directed by Craig Johnson and accompanied by Carolyn Corse, outdid themselves with their annual Christmas Concert!



FROM YOUR EDITOR...

As we enter another year, one of my favorite blessings come to mind. There are many translations but all carry the same message and undoubtedly one's 'Higher Power' may replace 'Lord' in it's reading.

"The Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The Lord look upon you kindly you and give you peace!"

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Happy New Year,
Nancy

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