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American Guild of Organists

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Executive Board 2011-2012

Dean: Catherine Walker CAGO 559-658-7376 home 559-906-3068 cell	<p style="text-align: center;">SO WHAT IS TWELFTH NIGHT, ANYWAY?!</p> <p>In some branches of Christianity Twelfth Night is a festival marking the coming of the Epiphany and concluding the Twelve Days of Christmas. It is observed as a time of "merrymaking!"</p> <p>Now we have Christmas on our minds and in our hearts. We are in the midst of rehearsals, practicing our favorite Christmas arrangements of carols to enhance our worship services, listening to beautiful choir music in our churches and through various media forms, and singing carols. We are busy!</p> <p>When January comes, the SJV/AGO gets their chance to make merry with our friends in our chapter. We enjoy our Twelfth Night event each year. In fact, one of our members, Laverne Cottet, brings a King's cake. It follows the traditions of France, Spain and other countries for the Feast of the Epiphany celebrations. There is a porcelain figure inside the ring cake, and whoever is lucky enough to get the piece of cake with the figure inside is appointed King or Queen for the day! Who will be the lucky one next January 6 when the SJV/AGO celebrates Twelfth Night?</p> <p>We hope you will read the details of our party below, and join in the festivities. Our merry spirit will be extended to include entertainment by Bill Thornbury, Director of the Choir of Angels at St. Helen's Catholic Church School.</p> <p>Let's make merry in our Christmas music and again on January 6. Merry Christmas!</p> <p><i>Catherine Walker</i></p>
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TWELFTH NIGHT PARTY
Friday, January 6, 2012 at 6:30 pm
Home of Carey and Elaine Johnson
2288 W. Birch, Fresno

Ham will be provided by the AGO. Please bring a salad, vegetable dish or dessert
with a serving spoon!
RSVP by Tuesday, January 3 to Lynda Roberts, 439-2950 or Andrea Belau, 897-7076
Entertainment by Bill Thornbury

Directions to the Johnson Home – 2288 W. Birch, Fresno:
From Herndon Ave., turn north on West Ave. From West Ave. turn left on Minarets Ave. Minarets will eventually merge with Birch Ave. The Johnson home is on the right.

SJV/AGO Presents
2012 POEx

Sunday, January 22, 2012 at CSUF Concert Hall
Open to All San Joaquin Valley Piano Students.
Participating students should prepare one of the following:
1. A piano or organ solo
2. A hymn
3. An accompaniment, ensemble, or duet

Event A – 1:00 pm Workshop Session for students with POExperience
Concert following
Event B – 3:15 pm Workshop Session for students NEW to POEx
Concert following

To receive an application please call Laurell Huber at 222-8114 or sign up on the website. (No charge for participants)

Save the Date!
SJV/AGO HYMN FESTIVAL
Sunday, February 26, 2012 at 3 pm
Fowler Presbyterian Church

DECEMBER EVENTS

- Saturday, December 3, 7 pm – Palm Ave Community Church, Fresno – THE MESSIAH – presented by Fresno Choral Artists – Tickets available at the door or from their website
- Sunday, December 4, 3 pm – Second Church of Christ Scientist, Fresno – Students play Christmas piece on the pipe organ – Presented by Fresno Pipe Organ Academy
- Sunday, December 4, 3pm – Fowler Presbyterian Church –MUSICAL MEDITATIONS OF THE SEASON- Presented by: Marilyn Miner Helsley, harp, Larry Belau, oboe, Andrea Miner Belau, organ
- Friday, December 9, 7 pm – St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Merced – SEVENTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS – Adult and Children's Choirs, Scholarum Cantorum and instrumental ensemble
Director: Lyle Peters – 209-383-3924
- Saturday, December 10, 7 pm – First Presbyterian Church, Fresno – "A TIME FOR PEACE" – Presented by Bach Children's Choir and Youth Chorale – Tickets required: bachchildrenschoir.org or 226-6500
- Sunday, December 11, 5 pm – "A CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS" concert – First Congregational Church
Director: Scott Horton
- Sunday, December 11, 4 pm and 6:30 pm - "LEAD ME BACK TO BETHLEHEM" – Sierra Vista Presbyterian Church Oakhurst – Presented by choirs of Sierra Vista Presbyterian Church, New Community United Methodist Church and Oakhurst Lutheran Church – Directors: Catherine Walker, Monika Moulin and Susan Moore
Organist: Lee Todd
- Sunday, December 18 – 8:30 am and 11:00 am – Hope Lutheran Church, Fresno, "THE VOICES OF CHRISTMAS"
Presented by Hope Lutheran Church Choir, Organist: Ruth Andersen