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<p>Dean: Catherine Walker 559-658-7376 home 559-906-3068 cell</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">AN UPDATE ON THE CASAVANT FRERES ORGAN</p> <p>First Congregational Church of Fresno, is home to the Casavant Freres, Opus 2945. This pipe organ, since 1967, has seen continued use by organists for religious services as well as outside choral and music groups, including our own San Joaquin Valley Chapter. The church has undertaken a long term capital fund drive to raise the revenue needed to keep the organ in top performing condition for the life of the church and community.</p> <p>The original builders, Casavant Freres Pipe Organ of St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, Canada will be responsible for the restoration and any new work completed once sufficient funds are on hand. While it is known that it may be cheaper to go with other individuals or companies, the church has decided to remain with the original builders to keep the integrity of the instrument intact. Information on the different phases of proposed restoration can be found on a website designed specifically for our Casavant Organ. The website is www.pipesonvanness.com. In addition, on this website you can see pictures of the organ, listen to music, and see upcoming events that feature the organ such as our own Artist Series, and upcoming fundraising concerts and events that benefit the restoration fund. We hope you will bookmark this site for future reference. A public thank you to the San Joaquin Chapter for making a donation to this endeavor in the past. With the questionable economy we find ourselves in, we might be at this for a while...but every donation helps. If you can attend any of our concerts or events, donate, or can pass on information to other individuals, it would be very much appreciated as we work together to secure the future of this instrument for generations to come.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SCOTT HORTON-SJV/AGO MEMBER DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST FRESNO FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH</p>
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SJV/AGO MAY/JUNE EVENTS

OPEN CONSOLE AT WARNORS THEATRE – SATURDAY, MAY 7, 10 AM TO 1 PM

WARNORS THEATRE IS AT 1400 FULTON ST. IN DOWNTOWN FRESNO

RICHARD CENCIBAUGH WILL BE AVAILABLE TO MAKE SURE WE ENJOY THIS ORGAN - THE ONLY 4 MANUAL INSTRUMENT IN FRESNO. THE ROBERT MORTON PIPE ORGAN HAS 14 RANKS AND OVER 1,000 PIPES. BRING SOME MUSIC, IMPROVISE, HAVE FUN! TOURS OF THE BACKSTAGE AREA WILL BE AVAILABLE. ORGANISTS, FRIENDS, LISTENERS – ALL ARE WELCOME! YES, YOU TOO CAN RIDE THE ELEVATOR UP AS YOU PLAY!

2011 CENTRAL CA YOUTH PERFORMANCE AWARDS COMPETITION – SUNDAY, MAY 22, CSUF COMPETITORS WILL AUDITION ON THE ELIZABETH LYLES PIPE ORGAN BUILT BY MARTIN OTT.

PRE-COLLEGE DIVISION – 3 PM

COLLEGIATE DIVISION – 4:30 PM

THE COMPETITION WILL BE JUDGED BY ORGANISTS FAYE DELONG AND CLIFFORD BADGLEY.
ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

SJV/AGO GUILD SUNDAY – SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2011 – 3:00 PM. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, 3973 N. CEDAR AVE., FRESNO. THE WINNERS OF THE ABOVE COMPETITION WILL PLAY FOR US.

EVENTS TO ENJOY

EIGHT GUYS AND A DOLL ORGAN CONCERT – Sunday, May 1, 2011. 3:00 pm

Second Church of Christ Scientist – 280 W. Shaw and College, Fresno

Performers: Tyler Baker, Cactus Harris, Sheridan Haskell, Tyrell McKenzie, Luke Shrestha, Slaten Van Saun, Ethan Peterson, Christopher Herrick and Hannah Zentner. Donations will go towards the Fresno Pipe Organ Academy pre-collegiate scholarship of the Central CA Youth Performance Awards Competition.

A CLASSICS CONCERT – Sunday, May 1, 2011. 3:00 pm.

Larry Belau, Oboe and Andrea Belau, Piano – Fowler Presbyterian Church, 408 E. Merced St.

Works by G.P. Telemann, R. Schumann, J. Brahms, C. Debussy, E. Ewazen

An offering will be taken to benefit Habitat for Humanity.

ORGAN CONCERT IN HANFORD – Sunday, May 1, at 3:00 pm – The Episcopal Church of the Savior, 519 N. Douty St., Hanford. Scott Horton, Organist – Works by Mendelssohn, Bach, Dupre, and Guilmant. The organ is the historic Murray Harris Pipe Organ (2m/17r).

FRESNO COMMUNITY CHORUS presents “The Legacy of Leipzig” – Saturday, May 14, 2011 – 8 pm and Sunday, May 15, 2011 – 2:30 pm. CSUF Concert Hall – Tickets \$15 (\$8.00 for students). A few tickets remain. Call Catherine Walker, 658-7376.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE!!

THANKS TO MEMBER SCOTT DAVIS, THE SJV/AGO NOW HAS ITS OWN WEBSITE THAT IS DESIGNED TO PROMOTE OUR CHAPTER EVENTS AND WILL BE A WAY OF UNITING THE ORGAN COMMUNITY.

OUR WEBSITE CAN BE FOUND AT <http://www.sjvago.org>