

Mini-Convention XXII

Saturday, February 29, 2020

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THE MERRIMACK VALLEY CHAPTER, A.G.O.

Mini-Convention No. 22 is coming soon, and we look forward to seeing a lot of familiar faces and some new ones too, so invite a friend, student, or the new organist in town. We have another interesting and varied lineup for you again this year, based on suggestions by former attendees and our chapter members. Attendees are welcome to bring “pre-owned” organ music, books, and CDs for our Scholarship Fund flea market table. **The Party Connection** of Methuen will again be providing a delicious catered lunch, and there will be time for socializing and browsing. Here’s the schedule (bring it with you!):

- 8:30 – 9:00** Coffee and Registration
9:00 – 9:45 Anthem Reading led by MVAGO members.
10:00 – 10:45 Jay Lane: *Inventing Emergency Anthems on Short Notice*
11:00 – 11:45 Lea Pearson: *Balance on the Bench & Other Strategies to Make Playing Comfortable*
12:00 Noon Lunch, Conversation and Browsing
1:30 – 2:15 Alice Johnson Hannon: *Vocal Health and Technique*
2:30 – 3:15 Barbara Owen: *Boston Organ Composers and Recitalists in the Gilded Age*

The 2020 Mini-Convention will again be held at **First Calvary Baptist Church**, at the intersection of Route 125 and Massachusetts Ave. in North Andover (same location as last year). From I-495 take Exit 43 (Massachusetts Ave. – North Andover); follow Mass. Ave. south about two miles, past one traffic light, until you see another traffic light ahead (Rte. 125). The church is a modern building on the left, just before the intersection, and entrance to the large parking lot is just before you get to the church.

We are continuing to keep the cost down as in the past few years. Full day is \$45.00, and either a morning or afternoon half-day session is \$32.00. Coffee break and Lunch are included in all registrations, whether full-day or half-day. Students with appropriate ID may take \$10.00 off the cost. MVAGO members may deduct \$5.00. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.** To register: print out, clip, and complete the form below, enclose a check or money order payable to **MVAGO Mini-Convention** and mail to Linda Paulet, Registrar, 126 Lowell Ave., Haverhill, MA 01832, by Feb. 24, 2020.

Membership in the American Guild of Organists is not required for attendance at this Mini-Convention. Please photocopy or e-mail this flyer around to your colleagues, friends, and *especially* students. If you have questions, please e-mail Barbara Owen, owenbar@juno.com.

Mini Convention Registration

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

All Day _____ Morning only _____ Afternoon only _____ Amount enclosed _____

Detach and mail this form with your registration fee to Linda Paulet, Registrar, 126 Lowell Ave., Haverhill, MA 01832, by February 24.