MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear NPM Members,

The NPM Columbus chapter has been working hard for the last nine years to bring you workshops (“Care for the Singer”, Cantor Express, “Sound and Balance” etc), concerts (Daughters of God, Dan Schutte, Bobby Fisher and Marty Haugen) and other programs (St. Cecilia Sing, Reading Sessions, Organ Crawls, and retreats) that have hopefully helped you or your ministry each Sunday. This task which you have dedicated yourself to is so very important to the thousands of church members who look forward to the special gifts you bring to the church. This year we are in search of new ideas for programming for you and your choirs. We will sponsor a “Chew and Chat” coming January 10th 2009 at St. Thomas the Apostle church, in the basement, on the corner of Fifth Ave and Cassidy Ave. Registration will be at 9:30 AM with a Continental breakfast and the discussion starting at 10:00 AM. This gathering is an opportunity for all of you to voice your needs. We need for everyone to come out and be part of the planning for the coming year. Bring your ideas and needs that will help your choir. You never know your needs might be the same as another choir. Please feel free to join us for the bi-monthly planning meeting at St. Thomas on Sunday evening October 19th at 7:00 PM. These meetings are open and we welcome newcomers. Also, feel free to contact any of the Core Committee members to share your ideas, needs or feedback on an activity. I hope that as you enter your busy season that you will take time to attend one of the workshops or concerts. I am sure you will be blessed! My prayer for you is… That God would bless all of your planning and efforts, That your ministry will grow, That your music ministry will touch the people who hear your songs of praise each Sunday, That God will keep you safe and ever close to Him. These things I ask through Jesus Christ’s name, Amen! God Bless, Liz Carle NPM Columbus Chapter Director

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• Next Core Committee meeting
• St Cecilia Sing
• Chew & Chat
• NPM National Convention 2009

ST CECILIA SING

St Cecilia Sing coming November 16th 2008

Join the Columbus NPM Chapter in celebrating St Cecilia Sing with guest conductor Robert Batastini 7 PM at St Agatha. This hymn fest is based on new text set to familiar hymn tunes such as: McKee, Brother James’ Air, Detroit, Finlandia, Beach Spring, Passion Chorale, Puer Nobis Rendez A Dieu, Picardy, Hymn to Joy, Sine Nomine with "Go to the world" by Sylvia Dunstan, Holy Manna with "As we gather at your table" by Carl Daw, Forest Green, Morning Song, Shirley Erena Murray’s "For the Music of Creation" to a recent tune by Sally Ann Morris. For those of you that participated in the NPM Regional Convention, Cleveland July 2008, this program is formatted in a similar manner. Contact Andy Wallace at (740) 965-3462 or email to amwallaceco@embarqmail.com for more information. Reception following, bring a friend or two.
Upcoming Events

• Next Core Meeting
  Sunday September 14, 2008
  7:00 PM
  St Thomas The Apostle

• Chew & Chat
  September 20, 2008
  9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
  St Thomas The Apostle
  2693 E 5th Ave, Columbus, Ohio

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  November 16, 2008
  St Agatha, 1860 Northam Rd, Columbus, Ohio
  Guest: Bob Batastin

• National NPM Convention
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North and East sides of Columbus, plus Licking, Knox and Delaware County Churches. Also available for Funerals, Weddings, etc.

Limited availability. Rich Krehnovi (614) 882-8399
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Available mostly during the week and any Sunday evening services.

Available weekdays and Saturdays prior to evening mass obligation in Urbana. Bill Antoniak at polkaboy@insight.rr.com (937) 580-0973

St Cecilia Sing join other Diocese of Columbus musicians to celebrate the Feast of St. Cecilia November 16, 2008 at St. Agatha's at 1860 Northam Rd, Columbus, Ohio see the website for any updates. Call Andy Wallace at 740-965-3462 for details and to RSVP for the event or via email at amwallaceco@embarqmail.com. Contact Bill Miller to reserve a place in the Mass Choir which includes a commitment on 11/2/08 for a rehearsal for SATB choir. Please RSVP for the Mass Choir by 10/24/08 to Bill Miller (614) 439-0096 or wmkmiller@sbcglobal.net

Join fellow Columbus NPM Chapter members at the Chew & Chat free of charge, and includes a continental breakfast of doughnuts, coffee, juice, bagels, soda, and water. The event will be January 10th 2009 from 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM at St. Thomas The Apostle, 2693 E 5th Ave, Columbus Ohio. This is your chance to provide input into your chapter. The event is based on “The World Café” style and will be a chance to meet and greet other chapter members.

Want to be included in the Musician Substitute list? contact joedonlindsay@embarqmail.com or complete the Substitute Musician online form located on the newly updated website at http://www.npm-columbus.org

Next year’s National NPM Convention, Rosemont, IL July 6 - 19, 2009 - See you there. Look for updates on the Columbus NPM Chapter web site as details become available, with registration to begin early May 2009, and a bus will also be available. There will be an opportunity to receive a discount for this event as a Columbus NPM members’ register for convention through Columbus Chapter NPM to receive this discount.

Interested in an e-Newsletter? Electronic version is here available in full color in HTML or PDF format just email your preference to Peggy Wallace at mmr_wallace@embarqmail.com to be added to the list.

Visit the newly revamped website at http://www.npm-columbus.org please take a peak at the new design and updated event list.

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**A MEMBER’S PERSPECTIVE NPM REGIONAL CONVENTION**

Imagine a choir made up of people from states away, that requires no rehearsing, and sings their heart out from morning prayer to late by candlelight! Is it heaven? Is it a dream? No, it's Su-per Choir! Well, actually, it's hundreds of musicians gathered to sing praise to the Lord at the NPM Regional Convention.

But why do all of these people take time out of their summer to gather at the convention?

For the student in me, it's the chance to expand my conducting style and brush up on my choir accompanist technique. I found that despite how much I think I know about training our singers and choosing liturgically appropriate music, the new friends I meet at convention have even more ideas for me to try. Discussion sessions cover music director essentials such as recruiting tips and rehearsal planning. And what do I do with the 75 kids in my children's choir? The 25 years of experience by my workshop facilitator will help me to teach the kids how to pray with song in a way they can understand.

There is a thrill to hear (by attendees sight-singing them) new music for our church. Hands-on instrument demos, music recordings, and scores of all styles and levels are available in the exhibit hall. Fellow musicians deliver fantastic concerts in beautiful area churches. But that's not all: it helps me become grounded in my prayer life again -- to participate in the liturgy, rather than lead every Mass -- and to be reminded that these sometimes tiresome evenings and early Sunday mornings are always for the Glory of God.

After just a few days, I am energized to starting up our fall choir again. I hope you consider attending next year’s convention. It is a boost that I look forward to every year.

Rich Krehnovi, St Elizabeth, Columbus, Ohio