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Dr. Frederick Hohman, special guest organist to perform at the July 1 Patriotic Organ Concert.

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Patriotic Organ Concert

Memorial Auditorium • Tuesday, July 1 • 7:00 pm

The 8th Annual Patriotic Organ Concert sponsored by the Chattanooga Music Club will be presented on Tuesday, July 1, at 7:00 p.m. at Chattanooga's Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Auditorium. The program will feature internationally known organist Frederick Hohman, performing on the Auditorium's mighty Austin pipe organ. Dr. Hohman, a leading authority on the life and work of Edwin H. Lemare, world-renowned English organist/composer, will focus on a number of Lemare's original works and exciting transcriptions. A special musical salute to Veterans and Active Duty Military has been arranged by Dr. Hohman and will be played during the recognition of the branches of service. Also, he will play transcriptions of 17 orchestral music cues used by Hal Roach Studios in silent films such as Laurel & Hardy and Little Rascals. He will accompany a Little Rascals silent film that evening. This year marks the 90th birthday of the giant pipe organ and following the concert, the audience will enjoy a sweet treat from Chattanooga Bakery in the front lobby.

The audience will get a "bird's-eye view" of the wonderful music played by Mr. Lemare on the organ in the early twenties. Built in 1924 for the new Memorial Auditorium, the organ was dedicated in February 1925 at a concert presented by Mr. Lemare. For many years the organ was enjoyed by thousands of people but became neglected because of the lack of maintenance funds. In 1985, the Chattanooga Music Club began a long organ restoration project which was completed in 2007.

Dr. Hohman studied organ with David Craighead at Rochester's Eastman School

of Music, where he earned Eastman's Performer's Certificate, Bachelor and Master of Music Degrees and DMA Degrees in Performance and Literature. For over 35 years he has become distinguished in many diverse occupations, such as concert organist, church organist, composer, audio producer/engineer, entrepreneur, inventor, corporate executive, CD label director and video director. His expertise in audio and video media enabled him to produce and engineer over 350 organ and sacred choral albums for his organ and choral colleagues. The Pro Organo CD label, which he founded, has become renowned for excellence in engineering and recording new organ and choral literature. His many recordings of original works and organ transcriptions by Edwin Lemare have established him as a leading symphonic organist. Since 1984, he has toured the USA presenting organ concerts, workshop and lecture recitals, and he has appeared in concert in Australia, the UK, Finland, and the Caribbean. He has appeared before regional and national conventions, festivals and has served as an adjudicator and festival artist in the Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival and Competition.

A CD recording, showing the Lemare connection with Chattanooga and recorded by Dr. Hohman at Memorial Auditorium on May 30 of this year on its Austin pipe organ, will be available for sale at the concert. The album, entitled Lemare Affair IV, is the fourth album in a series of Lemare Affair albums. It focuses upon Lemare's life in Chattanooga and his many marvelous solo organ works, as well as a few excellent transcriptions.

4th Annual St. Patrick's Purse Fundraiser

Stratton Hall • Monday, March 17, 2014

Welcomed in by bagpiper Michael Whinery, guests dined on all things Irish and green, enjoyed the Irish emcee, James Mahon, and dinner music by CMC members Buddy Shirk, Charlyeen Fry, Gary Helton, Margaret Ann Randolph, and Sharon & Jim

Bailiff. Dessert music was provided by the CSOYO String Quartet and Brass Quintet, and Ryan Stinson presented his own orchestrated piano pieces.

Flowers provided by the Chattanooga Funeral Home Crematory and Florist doubled as door prizes and the silent

auction attracted many bids. Thanks to Jim Bailiff, Chair, Marvin Turner, Auction Chair, the committee, members who solicited auction items, and everyone who attended. Net proceeds raised for the organ and scholarship funds came to \$3,207.



Photos from St. Patrick's Purse feature (top left clockwise) Gilford Gibbs, Evelyn Gibbs and emcee James Mahon; • Clockwise: Norm Oien, Mary Ellen Meloan, Lewis Meloan and Barbara Bye; • Seated: Marvin Turner, Paula Turner, Betty Payne, Gerald Payne; Standing: Dorothy Altman, Ralph Altman, Mary Lynn Wilson; • Adm. Vance Fry, Charlyenne Fry, Will Sutton, Katherine Sutton; • and String Quartet members Chandler Custer, Angela Baucom, Isaiah Pennington, Jonathan Martinez

Scholarship Auditions and Presentations

Scholarship auditions were held on March 23 at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and we heard some great talent. Thanks to Janet Sump, Scholarship Chair, and judges David & Linda Pennebaker, Ann Rylands, and Dr. Bruce Ashton for a job well done. Buddy Shirk, Publicity Chair, did an incredible job of spreading the word about the scholarship auditions to the media, including scheduling interviews on all three major television networks! And, we are grateful to Bruce Clark and First Cumberland Presbyterian Church for their hospitality.

Thank you to our scholarship donors Drs. Hilda & Andres Alisago, Jeannette Martin, Fletcher Bright, Vance & Charlyenne Fry, Estate of Opal Swaity, and for CMC members who work hard to raise funds for the CMC Scholarship.



Pictured left to right: Front row – Linda Thompson, President; Austin Ngo, Christine Lau, Janelle Wigal, Nancy Sump, Scholarship Chair
Back row – Justin Smith, Drew Craig, Joey Shultz

The Scholarship recipients for 2014 are:

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JUSTIN SMITH, oboe, \$3,000 Chattanooga Music Club Scholarship

JANELLE WIGAL, French horn, \$2,500 Drs. Hilda & Andres Alisago Scholarship

DREW CRAIG, Tenor, \$2,000 Opal Rhea Swaity Scholarship

JOEY SHULTZ, piano, \$1,500 Dorothy Cobb Martin Scholarship

CHRISTINE LAU, violin, \$1,000 Fletcher Bright Strings Scholarship

AUSTIN NGO, piano, \$1,000 Fry Merit Scholarship

Concert by Previous Scholarship Winners

Memorial Auditorium • Sunday, May 18 • 2:30 pm

The Robert Kirk Walker Community Theatre in the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Auditorium was a fitting stage for six of our previous college scholarship winners to perform. The beautiful 9 foot Baldwin Concert Grand Piano, a gift from Jim and Sharon Bailiff to be used in the newly renovated venue, was featured by the performances of two solo pianists and two accompanists. The occasion was well attended by a most appreciative audience, as this concert was noted as a highlight of the CMC programs for the year.

Performers were Lauren Sherrell, piano, winner in 2001; Samuel Sencabaugh, flute, winner in 2008; Adrienne Benson, vocal, winner in 2010; Kelsey Stansell Huffman, piano, winner in 2012; and Gordon Inman, clarinet, winner in 2008.

LAUREN SHERRELL received her Bachelor of Music Degree in Piano Performance and her Master of Business Administration from UTC and recently graduated from University of Tennessee School of Law, Knoxville. She is a former student of CMC members, Evelyn Gibbs and Charlynn Fry. Lauren performed excerpts of the Waldstein Sonata by Beethoven and Chopin's G Minor Ballade.

SAMUEL SENCABAUGH is the son of CMC member, Laura Sencabaugh, and has performed for the music club on several occasions. He presented three contemporary compositions for flute solo. Sam continues with his music studies at UTC, enjoys performing with different groups around Chattanooga and doing instrument repair.

ADRIENNE BENSON performed songs of Frank, Puccini, Grieg, and Head. She will be continuing her Music Education Degree with Vocal Emphasis at UTC with Dr. Rebecca St. Goar. Adrienne was accompanied by her present vocal teacher, Charlynn Fry.

KELSEY STANSELL HUFFMAN is studying for her Piano Performance Degree with Dr. Sin-Hsing Tsai at UTC. Kelsey played two Liszt Preludes. She plans to establish her private piano studio upon graduation with her Bachelor of Music Degree.

GORDON INMAN performed three clarinet solos accompanied by CMC Member, Jim Bailiff. Gordon recently graduated from Middle Tennessee State University with a Bachelor of Music Degree in Music Performance with concentration on clarinet. He is currently working at Mountain Arts Community Center as a private clarinet teacher, organizing a MACC woodwinds camp, and performing in the orchestra for the Signal Mountain summer play, The King and I.

A special feature of the afternoon was the recognition of the CMC College Scholarship winner of 1949, our very own MISS EVELYN GIBBS. The club was fortunate to hear recordings of Miss Gibbs performing on organ. This part of the program was a complete surprise to Miss Gibbs as our President, Linda Thompson, Evelyn's nephew, David Gibbs, and two special friends made this possible. CMC was so privileged to honor this long-standing member, Evelyn Gibbs.



Evelyn Gibbs, with nephew, David Gibbs.



From left: Kelsey Stansell Huffman, Lauren Sherrell, Adrienne Benson, Samuel Sencabaugh, Gordon Inman.

AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY PRESENTS KEN DOUBLE

The Atlanta Chapter of the American Theatre Organ Society and the Chattanooga Music Club will present Ken Double of Atlanta playing the Wurlitzer Theatre Organ **at the Tivoli on Saturday, August 23rd at 7:30 p.m.** He will accompany the silent film "The General" starring Buster Keaton, and the program will highlight the 90th anniversary of the installation of the mighty Wurlitzer organ. Tickets for the program are \$5. Please mark your calendar and attend if possible.

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Welcome, New Members

We welcome the following new members to the Chattanooga Music Club:

David and Carol Gibbs
Don and Barbie Schumacher
Carolyn Y. Tinker Brown

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Dr. James Greasby, who was a member and loyal supporter of the CMC for many years. He served as CMC President 2001 - 2002, founder of the Chattanooga Bach Choir, a gifted organist/choirmaster who served in several of the city's churches and a music teacher and a member of the Cadek faculty. Prior to coming to Chattanooga, he taught at Bob Jones University and Bryan College. Jim loved gardening and cooking. A memorial service for Jim was held at Christ Episcopal Church where he was a member.



New Officers

The 2014-2015 CMC Officers were elected in March and installed in April. Presiding over the installation ceremony was State Representative Richard Floyd. We were extremely honored to have Richard, as he is a vocal arts advocate. He shared numerous musical memories in thought-provoking and entertaining remarks.

President – Linda Thompson
1st Vice President (Programs) – Margaret Ann Randolph
2nd Vice President (Publicity) – Buddy Shirk
3rd Vice President (Yearbook) – Pam & Gary Helton

4th Vice President (Membership) – Jane Southerland
Recording Secretary – Molly Kennedy
Corresponding Secretary – Lounelle Draper
Treasurer – Gerald Payne
Historian – Mary Ellen Meloan
Parliamentarian – Martin Perez

A big thank you goes to our Nominating Committee for working so diligently on this slate of officers. The Committee included Jeannette Martin, Chair, Jeff Scofield, Gary Helton, Lounelle Draper, and Barbara Kelley.

2014-2015 Yearbook

Plans for the 2014-15 Yearbook are underway. Those who have solicited ads in the past will soon receive a contract copy. If you know of others who want to place ads, please let us know. We also need

to have any other information updates, i.e. address changes, phone numbers and e-mail addresses that have changed. Contact Gary or Pam Helton at 870-2137 or gphelton@bellsouth.net.

The Chattanooga Music Club extends its deepest sympathy to Evelyn Gibbs in the loss of her brother, Gilford, and to the family of Dr. James Greasby.