October/November 2013

NPM Rapid City Diocese Fall Newsletter

A Note from the Co-Directors

We are pleased to be your Co-Directors. Our executive board is busy planning exciting meetings for the coming months. Please plan to attend all of our gatherings. There might be something very valuable for you to learn and use in your parish’s liturgies to enliven your community’s faith. You have much to share as well with those gathered. Together we can make a positive difference. Come and join us.

Jackie was recently appointed to be the Co-Chair, along with Dr. Robert Wolf, of all chapters in the United States. She has learned much from our chapter and has shared it with others on a national level. Several of our meetings are now being replicated in other chapters. That’s the way NPM works. We gather, share, learn, and improve. In so doing, we enable our liturgies to be even more faith giving and profound.

We look forward to seeing everyone at OLPH on Nov. 16. Celebrating 25 years as a chapter is a feat most chapters have not experienced. It will be a time of reminiscing while looking forward to new challenges.

Carman Timmerman & Jackie Schnittgrund

Current Executive Board

Back row (left to right): Jacqueline Schnittgrund, Christine Leichtnam, Carman Timmerman, Kathy Little, Julie Gray, Janet Higbee. Front row (left to right): Terry Schroeder, Jessica Hicks

Elections for several NPM Rapid City Chapter Offices were held on June 29, 2013 at the Summer NPM Meeting held at Blessed Sacrament Church in Rapid City, SD. Jackie Schnittgrund and Carman Timmerman were elected as Co-Directors. Jessica Hicks was re-elected as Assistant Director for Recruitment. Christine Leichtnam was elected as the Coordinator for Planning. Janet Higbee and Terry Schroeder were elected as Co-Animators for Koinania. Kathy Little continues in her term as Secretary and Julie Gray continues in her term as Treasurer.

Thank you to Katie Simonyak, former Director, Brenda Schneller, former Coordinator for Planning, and Kerry Peters, former Animator for Koinania. The NPM Rapid City Chapter thanks you for your time and talent!!
### Schedule for the Day

9:30am – 10:00am Registration and Donuts  
10:00am – 10:45am Morning Prayer, Remarks by Fr. Michel Mulloy, & Music Review from the Past 25 Years  
10:45am – 11:00am Break  
11:00am – 11:45am Remarks by Bishop Robert Gruss  
11:45am – 12:15pm Prayer with Commissioning of Musicians by Bishop Robert Gruss  
12:15pm – 12:45pm St. Cecilia Banquet  
12:45pm – 1:00pm Fall NPM Business Meeting  
1:00pm – 1:30pm Presentation of Awards & Recognition of Past Officers  
1:30pm – 1:45pm Slideshow of Rapid City NPM in the Last 25 Years  
1:45pm – 2:00pm Closing Prayer

### To Register for the Fall Musician Retreat and the St. Cecilia Banquet:
Send your name, address, phone number, email address, parish name, any food allergies and a check* for $15 per person to:

Julie Gray, NPM Treasurer  
PO Box 239  
Hill City, SD 57745

**REGISTRATION Must Be Received By: Monday, November 11, 2013**  
**Please make checks payable to NPM Rapid City**

*Non-Refundable

Nominations for the St. Cecilia Award and the Peggy Langenfeld Memorial Award must be received by **Friday, November 8, 2013**. Names for our 25, 40, and 50 year service awards must also be received by **Friday, November 8, 2013**.
Awards and Certificates of Years of Service to the Ministry of Music

St. Cecilia Award Nomination
The St. Cecilia Award, named for the patroness of church music, recognizes one lay person and one clergy member for contributions to making the liturgy alive through music. Recipients will be announced at the annual NPM St. Cecilia Banquet.

Nominations MUST be received ON or BEFORE Friday, November 8, 2013.

Peggy Langenfeld Award Nomination
The award memorializes Peggy Langenfeld as an individual who dedicated her life to good music in church worship. She developed tremendous resources and provided support to parish musicians, clergy and other worship leaders in fostering the art of musical liturgy. Recipient will be announced at the annual NPM St. Cecilia Banquet.

Nominations MUST be received ON or BEFORE Friday, November 8, 2013.

Certificates of Years of Service to the Ministry of Music
Have you, or someone you know been involved in Catholic Music Ministry for 25 (or more), 40 (or more), or 50 (and more) years?

Let us know ON or BEFORE Friday, November 8, 2013.
You will be recognized for all your years of dedication to pastoral music, and receive a certificate at the annual NPM St. Cecilia Banquet on November 16, 2013.

Please see Nomination Forms and Certificates of Years of Service Forms within this newsletter.

Please note: No late entries for any of the nominations or the certificates will be accepted.
CERTIFICATES OF YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Name and Parish of Nominee: _______________________________________________________________
Contact Information for Nominee: ____________________________________________________________
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Please indicate years of service to ministry of Music: _______________________________________
Please provide a description of his/her contribution to the ministry of music (please feel free to attach an additional page if needed):
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Sincerely, Name/Parish of Nominator: _______________________________________________________

Mail nominations to: Jessica Hicks, Asst. Director of Recruitment, 3330 Palm Drive, Apt. #2, Rapid City, SD 57701 or email information to: jessie5268@aol.com

Nominations MUST be received on or BEFORE November 8, 2013.

RAPID CITY CHAPTER OF NPM – 2013 NOMINATION FORM

Indicate award nominating individual for:  _____ St. Cecilia Award  ____ Peggy Langenfeld Award
Please provide an explanation of why he or she deserves this award (please feel free to attach an additional page if needed):
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Sincerely, Name/Parish of Nominator: _______________________________________________________

Mail nominations to: Kathy Little, NPM Secretary, 14645 Country Rd., Rapid City, SD 57701 or email information to: lovingtrust@live.com

Nominations MUST be received on or BEFORE November 8, 2013.
NAME AND PARISH OF NOMINEE: ___________________________________________________________________

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR NOMINEE: _______________________________________________________________
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PLEASE INDICATE YEARS OF SERVICE TO MINISTRY OF MUSIC: _________________________________________

PLEASE PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION OF HIS/HER CONTRIBUTION TO THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC (PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ATTACH AN ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NEEDED):

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NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 8, 2013.

NAME AND PARISH OF NOMINEE: ___________________________________________________________________

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR NOMINEE: _______________________________________________________________
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INDICATE AWARD NOMINATING INDIVIDUAL FOR:  _____ST. CECELIA AWARD   ____ PEGGY LANGENFELD AWARD

PLEASE PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF WHY HE OR SHE DESERVES THIS AWARD (PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ATTACH AN ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NEEDED):

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My daughter, Tammy, and I had the pleasure of attending the National NPM Convention in Washington, DC, July 29-Aug. 2. It was an exciting time as the speakers reflected on the fifty years that have passed since the renewal through Vatican II and the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy. While much time was spent on reflection and analysis of the changes, most of the Breakout Sessions dealt with the “nuts and bolts” of ministry. The convention was wonderful as it opened avenues to areas of music and liturgy both for clergy and laity alike. Some topics were as follows: technology, active participation, conducting, vocal production, psalms, prayer, chant, licensing, organ techniques, small ensembles, Sing to the Lord, sacraments, choirs, multicultural communities, planning, musical repertoire, Hispanic music, and the list goes on and on. You can download some of the handouts at www.npm.org. We had an opportunity to read through “tons” of new music from publishers and were fortunate that our luggage didn’t go over the 50lb. limit. Tammy spent several hours judging cantors for certification. She is on a national cantor team and it was her idea to offer this service at convention. There were over 50 that signed up. I was involved with chapters as Dr. Robert Wolf from the Lansing, MI chapter and I are Co-Chairs for the National Committee for NPM Chapters. The turnout for our events was so encouraging. It's an exciting time to be working with chapters but challenging as well. The best part for me was the Eucharistic Celebration held at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception with Cardinal DiNardo presiding. To worship with music that is “over the top” in excellence and the congregation filled with singers who spontaneously burst into 4-part harmony is thrilling. The postlude was the icing on the cake as the choir sang Ralph Vaughan Williams, “Let All the World in Every Corner Sing” with orchestral accompaniment. It nearly brought me to my knees.

My regret was the fact that only Tammy and I were present from the Rapid City diocese. These gatherings are so fruitful. It is our prayer that more from our diocese will attend the next convention to be held in St. Louis from July 14-18, 2014. St. Louis is so much closer and I can guarantee that all the attendees will be showered with a volume of information and inspiration. The theme of the convention will be Proclaim Good News. What could be better than that?

Jacqueline Schnittgrund
Co-Chair Rapid City NPM Chapter
Co-Chair National Committee for NPM Chapters
Member of NPM Council
Tammy Schnittgrund, former Assistant Director of Recruitment for NPM's Rapid City chapter and local cantor trainer, was recently appointed national administrator for the "Intermediate Cantor Certificate" (ICC). Ms. Schnittgrund has been a member of the national Cantor Steering Committee since joining the committee in 2009 and helped write the ICC. In addition to her work on the committee Ms. Schnittgrund is an orchestra teacher in the Rapid City Public Schools as well as Director of Strings at South Dakota School of Mines and Technology.

The ICC recognizes the achievement of more developed skills expected of cantors. The test for this intermediate certificate has three components:

- Singing and leading advanced service music – two responsorial psalms from suggested lists, a published Gloria, and an Alleluia.
- Sight singing a hymn and a responsorial psalm.
- A written test of musical and liturgical knowledge plus a short paper on the psalms.

A list of the music as well as an application can be found at NPM's website: [www.npm.org](http://www.npm.org)

Tammy is available to conduct cantor training for individual parishes. That training can include cantor certification if desired. Her fee is negotiable. Call 605-390-2221.

### Contact Information for 2013 NPM Rapid City Chapter Executive Board

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Upcoming NPM Events

NPM RC Chapter Winter Meeting
January 2014

37th Annual National NPM Convention
July 14-18, 2014
St. Louis, MO

Visit npm.org for more information!