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## ANNUAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2007

THOMASTON OPERA HOUSE

& A. JOSEPH'S RESTAURANT

You are cordially invited to join us as we celebrate our 46th birthday on Saturday, February 10th at the Thomaston Opera House to be followed by dinner at A. Joseph's Restaurant. The afternoon portion of our get-together will be devoted to open console on our beloved Marr & Colton, followed by a short business meeting, and will conclude with a concert by our own Mike Foley. Mike has been our host on more than one occasion at his own magnificent Wurlitzer home installation in Tolland, but we seldom have the pleasure of seeing and hearing him at the keyboard.

<u>SCHEDULE:</u>	2:30 - 3:30 P.M.	Open Console
	3:30 - 4:00 P.M.	Business Meeting
	4:00 - 4:45 P.M.	Concert featuring Mike Foley
	5:30 - ??? P.M.	Dinner at A. Joseph's

A Joseph's Restaurant is located at 360 Watertown Road in Thomaston (a five minute drive from the Opera House).

DINNER CHOICES: (\$24.50 per person including tax and gratuity)

Chicken Marsala (boneless chicken in Marsala sauce with mushrooms)  
served with potato and vegetable

Butter Crumb Scrod served with potato and vegetable

10-oz. New York Strip Steak served with potato and vegetable

All meals include cheese and crackers, garden salad, bread, coffee or tea and birthday cake for dessert. A cash bar will be available.

A dinner reservation form can be found on the last page of your Diaphone. Deadline for reservations is Thursday, February 8th.

### DIRECTIONS TO THOMASTON OPERA HOUSE:

From Massachusetts and Hartford: Mass. Pike and/or I-84 to Hartford. Springfield area take I-91 to Hartford. From Hartford take I-84 west to Waterbury, then Route 8 north to Thomaston Exits 38 or 39.

From New York or Stamford: Merritt Parkway (Rte. 15) north to Route 8 (exit 52 off Parkway). Proceed north on Route 8 to Thomaston exits 38 or 39. The Thomaston Opera House is on Main Street in the center of Thomaston.

From Rhode Island and New London: Take I-95 south to Milford, then Merritt Parkway Connector and proceed toward New York City on Parkway (Rte. 15) to Route 8 exit. Turn right at end of ramp (toward Waterbury) and proceed north to Thomaston exits 38 or 39.

Please note: Plans are already underway for a very special meeting on Saturday, May 19th at the home of Mike and Kathy Foley in Tolland, Connecticut. The Foleys' magnificent Wurlitzer installation is not to be missed. Both the instrument and the setting are outstanding. This will be in lieu of our usual April meeting, and we'll give you all the details in the next Diaphone. We understand that Mike has engaged David Peckham as special guest artist.

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MINUTES OF MEMBERSHIP MEETING, DECEMBER 4, 2006, CHRISTMAS PARTY AT ANGEVINES:  
Meeting called to order by President Jonathan Sibley.

The minutes of the last general membership meeting were accepted as written in The Diaphone.

The nominations for officers for the next year were read. There were no further nominations from the floor. As there were none opposing, the secretary was authorized to cast a unanimous ballot.

Jon Sibley talked about the Shelton console, and John Angevine reported about the on-going renovations at the Shelton auditorium. He has covered the reed pipes of the organ.

The following officers were elected for 2007:

President,	Jonathan Sibley
Vice President,	Bon Smith
Treasurer,	Juan Cardona
Secretary,	Norman André

The business meeting was adjourned.

We thanked the Angevines for again hosting our Christmas party. Not only were food and drink enjoyed, but many also took advantage of "open console" at the Robert Morton 3/10 which was in excellent tune. Bon Smith and wife favored us with some organ and piano duets with the Steinway. Juan Cardona Jr. played some joyful Christmas arrangements.

Respectfully submitted,  
Norm André, Secretary

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A.G.O. EASTER PROGRAM: On Saturday, March 3rd at 8:00 P.M., the silent movie "King of Kings" accompanied by organist Peter Krasinski will be presented at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, 140 Farmington Avenue in Hartford. This is a rare treat. The church to which your editor belonged in Washington, D.C. many, many years ago showed this original version every Easter, a fond memory.

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2007 CONCERT SEASON OPENS AT THOMASTON: The first concert of 2007 will be on Saturday, March 24th at 2:00 P.M. at the Thomaston Opera House and will feature Lew Williams at the Marr & Colton and vocalist Jan Peters. Lew is an old friend and has entertained us on previous occasions at the Opera House. Ms. Peters has performed with various artists in eastern Mass. and appeared with Lew for EMCATOS.

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

We are looking forward to a year of outstanding concerts and meeting venues, the result of the excellent work of Beth Boda and Bon Smith.

The upcoming CVTOS Birthday Party will feature Mike Foley who has a 3/25 Wurlitzer installed in his home. Our spring membership meeting will be at Mike's home to enjoy his "Mighty Wurlitzer".

The next concert will be at the Thomaston Opera House on March 24th featuring Lew Williams and Jan Peters, vocalist. Lew and Jan put on an excellent program recently for EMCATOS which some CVTOS members may have heard. Jan has performed with various artists for that chapter over the past six years or so and has an excellent cabaret style of singing.

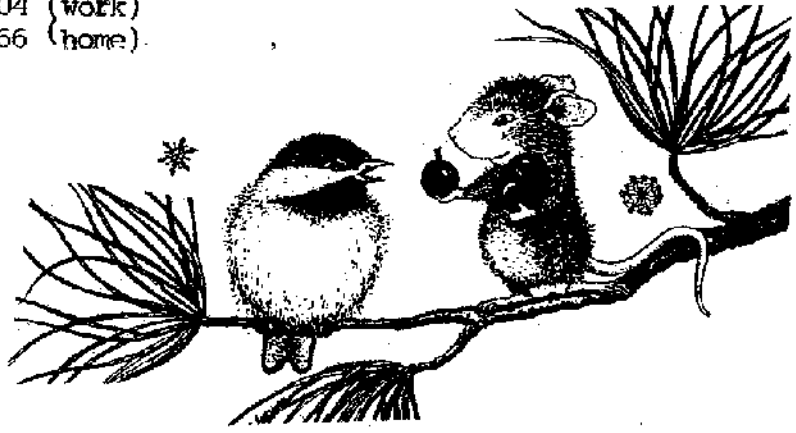
We are hopeful that Shelton High School will have the auditorium renovations completed by September to give us an opportunity to hold a fall concert at that venue. The auditorium has had a total renovation from the bare concrete floor up and should be a vastly improved venue for CVTOS concerts.

Best regards to all.

Jon Sibley

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CVTOS BIRTHDAY DINNER RESERVATION FORM

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2007. (24.50 per person)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Entree selection ( ) Chicken Marsala ( ) Butter Crumb Scrod ( ) New York Strip Steak

Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to CVTOS and mail to Juan Cardona, 13 Brookwood Drive, Newtown, CT 06470-1842. Telephone (203) 426-2433.