



GIFT TO SCHOOL — Harold DeMarse, a senior at Potsdam College's Crane School of Music, rehearses on the continuo organ he designed, constructed and has donated to the Crane School.

Crane Senior Builds Continuo Organ

Chateaugay native Harold DeMarse, a student at Potsdam College, has designed, constructed and donated a continuo organ to the Crane School of Music.

The result of three years' effort, the organ is similar to those used by composers like George Frederick Handel, in the late Baroque and early Classical periods. "We found a kit which I think had been purchased some time ago, in the basement of the Crane School," said DeMarse. "I'd had some experience building harpsichords and clavichords, and I've always enjoyed working with wood, so I offered to construct this organ."

DeMarse found, however, that the kit contained organ components of incorrect size and proportion. He salvaged only the keyboard and the electric blower that supplies air to the four sets of organ pipes.

"We found the pipes themselves in a church in Oxbow, N.Y. They were to be discarded. The pipes are almost 100 years old," he said.

The Potsdam College senior, who majors in church music and who has studied keyboard instruments for 12 years, designed the placement of the pipes and the case in which the pipes are placed.

"The organ is lightly constructed to be very vibrant. The instrument, which has a range of four and one-half octaves, is best played in small ensemble pieces or as the continuo, or bass, line of concert," he said.

The light construction contributes to the instrument's portability. It is entirely self-contained; all components are within the case.

"I hope it's used often," DeMarse said. "I plan to perform a Handel concerto on this organ for my senior recital." The size and design of the organ allow the authentic reproduction of the music created. The Handel concerto will sound as it did in the

Fourth Graders Present 'Let George Do It'

Fourth graders at Lawrence Avenue Elementary School will participate in a musical program entitled, "Let George Do It." Everyone will sing in the chorus and there will also be some cheerleaders and an army. The program will be on Nov. 24 at 10 a.m. and at 1:15 in the gymnasium. Parents are invited.

On Dec. 9, the Lawrence Avenue concert including grade five strings, band and chorus will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the gymnasium.

in the arts

Prints, Watercolors To Be Exhibited

OGDENSBURG — An exhibition of drawings, prints and watercolors by Kristen S. Boyesen will open at the Remington Art Museum with the public cordially invited to a reception from 2-4 p.m. Dec. 4.

The artist, who paints under her maiden name, is married to Robert C. Barringer and is the mother of three children. She holds a B.A. in painting from Potsdam College and studied with Curtis Stocking in summer art classes during her high school years at Heuvelton Central School.

Some of Kristen Boyesen's exhibitions and awards are: North Country Women Artists Exhibition at St. Lawrence University where the entry "A Place to Dream" received the Purchase Award, first place in popular vote award and was featured in a "Public Eye" broadcast on WNPE-WNPI. A second entry in the juried show, "February Thaw" received junior's honorable mention and second place in popular vote award. Other juried shows in which the artist's work was accepted were the First Annual North Country Art Show and the Fifth National Drawing Exhibition at the Brainard Art Gallery, Potsdam; First Annual Art Show, State University at Delhi, N.Y.; Syracuse University Art Gallery, Syracuse, N.Y. and the Canton Gallery, Canton.

HONOR STUDENT

Joanna M. Post, a senior at GMI Engineering and Management Institute in Flint, Mich., has been appointed to GMI's Management Honor Society. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Post of Norwood. Ms. Post is a cooperative student with Central Foundry Division, Massena.



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