



# Women's Council Spring Luncheon

The Granger Homestead & Carriage Museum will soon welcome one of the earliest surviving American-made chamber organs—a ca. 1815 instrument attributed to Jacob Hilbus and newly restored by Parsons Pipe Organ Builders and S.L. Huntington & Co. The Organ Historical Society describes the instrument as “a priceless artifact... restored according to the highest archival standards.”

Before its official unveiling at the Organ Historical Society headquarters during the nation's 250th anniversary celebrations, the organ will be transported to the Granger Homestead for a filming and documentation project. The Homestead's 1816 Federal-era mansion provides an ideal period setting for capturing the organ as it may have appeared and sounded in early American homes.

The organ's provenance is unusually rich. Once owned by William Cranch—friend of George Washington and Chief Justice of the D.C. Circuit Court, appointed by Thomas Jefferson—the instrument remained in his family for more than a century. A surviving family sketch even depicts “the organ being played while family members danced,” offering the only known visual evidence of how such parlor organs were used in the early 19th century.



Please join us at noon on Wednesday May 6<sup>th</sup> for this very special presentation, lively discussion, and a delicious luncheon.



Luncheon Reservation: Please provide your name and entree choice (Chicken French or Grilled Salmon) for each attendee.

The price of the luncheon is \$30. Deadline is April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Luncheon Choice(s): Chicken French \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please use additional sheet if necessary)

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues: Your \$10 for dues can be included with check for the luncheon or paid separately using this form.

Check one: \_\_\_\_\_ I have included my \$10 for dues with my luncheon payment.

\_\_\_\_\_ I cannot attend the luncheon but would like to pay my \$10 dues.

Please make checks payable to Women's Council of the Granger Homestead

Send to: Granger Homestead & Carriage Museum

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