



From the Dean

Last week I had the good fortune to attend an organ recital by David Craighead in New Cumberland. The audience applauded with anticipation and respect as Dr. Craighead slowly made his way across the church to the organ. His age was quite apparent by his slightly stooped shoulders and his careful steps toward the organ. However when Dr. Craighead began to play he had the agility of youth. His fingers and feet were well tuned with years of practice. His musicianship was graced with the maturity of age and the experience of a lifetime. The recital was special because he was dedicating the recital to the memory of his beloved wife, Marian Craighead. The audience was filled with long time friends of the family garnishing support and appreciation to Dr. Craighead. Truly the audience knew that this was a special recital. A man that had devoted his career to the organ. We all felt honored and inspired to be there.

On the way home from the concert, I began

to reflect on how close I had come to missing this experience. I almost didn't attend. I had many legitimate reasons not to attend that day. Lucky for me, I did.

How often we are bombarded by professional and personal opportunities. There are many concerts, workshops, meetings, and work-related obligations. We are left with the gloomy reality that we must choose between this long list of options. We can't do it all. However, we do need to know what we missed.

What have you missed this fall? In September, Wayne Wold provided an inspirational hymn festival for our chapter and community. Unfortunately only about 1/5 of our chapter membership was able to attend. The chapter survey that you completed last spring showed an overwhelming number of requests for church related workshops. This month, the program committee responded to your re-

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Mark Your Calendars for 2001 Events

The January meeting of the Harrisburg AGO will take place on Tuesday, January 23, 2001, at 7:30 p.m. This meeting will take place at **Market Square Presbyterian Church** in Harrisburg (note the change of location). At this meeting, Melanie Moll will lead a presentation on organ and choral music for the seasons of Lent and Easter. Plan to attend. Come and get some new musical ideas!

Looking ahead at the monthly programs, we invite you to mark your calendars for the Clergy/Musician Dinner meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 6, 2001. The theme for the evening activities is "We're All In This Together". In this meeting we will share and discuss personal relationships between Clergy and Church Musicians.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Ann Graves from State College. Ann has served as both Organist and Clergy in her career. There will also be a panel discussion of

local chapter members. We are hoping to encourage interaction among our membership and think that you will find the exchange to be productive and beneficial.

The location of the February 6 meeting will be **Grace Lutheran Church**, 1610 Carlisle Road, Camp Hill. The evening will start with a social at 6:15 followed by a dinner at 6:30 provided by the Board Members. (More on that later). We encourage both Clergy and Musicians to attend but everyone is invited. Registration should be made by February 2 at (717) 774-2633 between the office hours of 11:00 AM and 2:00 PM.

We have tried to reach out to churches in the Central Pennsylvania area by sending them an invitation to this event to encourage participation. If you have any questions about the evening's activities, please contact Doris Savage or Kathy Myers, co-chairs.

Harrisburg AGO
Programs
2000-2001

January 23, 2001
7:30 p.m.
Market Square Presbyterian
Church
Harrisburg
*Organ and Choral Music
for the Seasons of Lent and
Easter*
Melanie Moll, *coordinator*

February 6, 2001
6 p.m.
Grace Lutheran Church
Camp Hill
Clergy/Musician Dinner

March 6, 2001
7:30 p.m.
Mt. Calvary Episcopal
Church
Camp Hill
Using Midi
Robert Lau

March 30, 2001
7:30 p.m.
Pine Street Presbyterian
Church
Harrisburg
Organ Recital by Delbert
Disselhorst
*Event cosponsored by Pine Street
Church*

May
End of the Year Banquet

Getting to Know Your Chapter Officers

The following is the third installment in a series introducing our chapter officers.

Don Golden, Board Member

Originally from York Springs-now living in Mechanicsburg- I had been a member of the Harrisburg Chapter of the AGO back in the 1950's and am glad to be a member again. I am honored to be a board member and to serve as the person to send out the newsletter. This involves getting the copy from Ben Leiby (who is doing a superb job), affixing labels and stamps, running off the letter at Trindle Spring Lutheran Church and getting it in the mail. All this takes about three hours, depending on if any other material is included.

I began my career in church music in York Springs in 1949 at Holy Trinity Lutheran, my home church, while in high school. I have served as organist-choirmaster at Zwingli Reformed in East Berlin, Emory Methodist in New Oxford and St. Mark Lutheran in Hanover. I have a B.A. in Organ Performance from Gettysburg College and a Master of Sacred Music

from Union Theological Seminary, The School of Sacred Music, NYC.

While in the infantry at Ft. Benning, GA, I was Chaplain's Assistant, serving as organist/choirmaster of The School Brigade Chapel and also Lawson Airfield Chapel and was baritone soloist with the Main Post Soldier's Chorus.

From 1962 to 1966, I served Demarest Methodist, NJ and St. John Lutheran, CN, and from 1966 to 1995 was organist-choirmaster and Director of Music of Trinity Lutheran Church and Parochial School, Newport News, VA. During this time I was also accompanist/associate conductor of the Virginia Choral Society and, was adjunct professor of organ and conducting at Christopher Newport University.

I am proud to be associated with the Harrisburg Chapter of the AGO and would hope that all members will attend the wonderful programs that are being offered and give your support wherever and whenever needed.

Pax vobiscum in Domini.

From Your Treasurer

You should have received a copy of the Harrisburg AGO Directory with your November newsletter. Many thanks to Brian Rice, Kathy Myers and Don Golden for their efforts in preparing and sending it to our membership.

If you have any corrections or additions to the information in the directory, please contact Kathy Myers at 774-4465 or e-mail her at kmyersx1@ezonline.com by December 20th. We will prepare an addendum if needed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash in Bank as of 10/20/2000	\$3,153.43
Total Receipts	\$419.63
Less Total Disbursements	\$1,208.30
Cash in Bank as of 11/20/2000	\$2,364.76
Cassel Scholarship Fund (Investments)	\$13,927.21

First Lutheran to hold Lessons and Carols Service

The thirteenth annual Lessons and Carols Service will be presented by the Chancel Choir of First Lutheran Church, High and Bedford streets, Carlisle, on December 17, at 4 p.m.

Following tradition, there will be readings from scripture, anthems for the Advent and Christmas seasons by the choir, and congregational participation in carol singing and candle lighting. The sanctuary will be adorned with wreaths, garlands, and a 15-foot evergreen tree trimmed in clear lights and chrismons.

Selections performed by the choir will include anthems and hymn settings from the traditional choral repertoire of previous centuries, as well as several carol arrangements by twentieth-

century composers. The anthems will include portions of Handel's *Messiah*, as well as selections by Goudimel, Miller, Manz, Nicholson, Ives, Willcocks, Larkin, and Friedell.

Melanie Moll, Director of Music will be organist/director for the service. David Erickson, Director of Music at Christ Lutheran Church, Gettysburg, will also serve as organist and accompanist. The two musicians will join to play the prelude which will feature an organ duet of carol arrangements written for two organists at one organ. The service will also feature oboist Ed Stanley. Offerings received will benefit Divine Redeemer Lutheran Church, First Lu-

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Area Events

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church
101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church's Brass Choir—David Getz, director—and Carol, Westminster, Kirk & Sanctuary Choirs—David Binkley, organist and choirmaster—present **music for the Advent & Christmas seasons**
December 10, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Four Candlelight Christmas Eve Services
Donald Golden, organ preludes at 5:00, 9:00, & 11:00 p.m. CHPC **Brass Choir** preludes at 7:00 p.m. Church Choirs sing at all services
December 24, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00 p.m.

CHPC Youth Perform
February 4, 4:00 p.m.

A free-will offering will be received and child care will be provided.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Sixth and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon

Solemn Evensong and Cantata—*Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland* by J.S. Bach.
St. Luke's Festival Choir and Chamber Orchestra
December 3, 7:00 p.m.

First Lutheran Church
High and Bedford Streets, Carlisle

Lessons and Carols
First Lutheran Church Chancel Choir directed by Melanie Moll
December 17, 4:00 p.m.

Chamber Music for Clarinet
with Ella Forsyth, clarinet; John Eaken String Quartet; and Gloria Whitney, piano.
February 18, 3:00 p.m.

Dickinson College Choir and College-Community Orchestra, directed by Robert Wellington Pound
April 8, 3:00 p.m.

First Lutheran (Continued from page 2)
sister parish in San Miguel, El Salvador. Matching funds have been pledged by Lutheran Brotherhood Central Cumberland Branch #8151. The contribution will help the congre-

Grace Lutheran Church
N. Queen and James Sts., Lancaster

Handel's Messiah: A Public Singing
December 10, 4:00 p.m.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
265 North Enola Drive
Enola, PA 17025

Rudolph A. Lucente, Dedicatory Organ Recital
December 17, 4:00 p.m.

Derry Presbyterian Church
248 East Derry Road, Hershey

Vivaldi's Gloria
Sanctuary and Chapel Choirs and Orchestra
December 10, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Messiah College Concert Choir
March 11, 7:30 p.m.

Spring Musical **It's Cool in the Furnace** featuring the Youth of Derry.
May 4 and 5, 7:00 p.m.

Westminster Choir College Concert Bell Choir
June 1, 7:30 p.m.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
2000 Chestnut Street
Camp Hill, PA 17011

Candlelight Vespers
Using the service of Evening Prayer as found in the Lutheran Book of Worship, this service will be led by the 23-voice **Matins Choir** (youth) and the **Youth Handbell Choir**, Timothy Koch, director

Christmas Choral Concert
The **Chancel Choir** with the **Lancaster Brass Works** by Pachelbel, Pinkham, Rutter, Pelz, and others with carol singing.
Timothy Koch, director

gation meet its most urgent needs and buy supplies for its medical clinic.

A reception will follow the service in the Martin Luther Room. For more information, call 249-3310.

Networking Lunch Update

Networking Lunch was added to the monthly calendar in August with lunches held at four different locations so far. The idea for monthly lunches is to give members an opportunity to get better acquainted. These lunches were very popular in the Chapter where I was a member while living in NY State so I made the suggestion to Shelly that I would initiate them in our Chapter. There is no agenda at these lunches. We come together to enjoy the ambiance and specialties of the restaurant and share good conversation. Have I whet your appetite? Hope to see many of you January 10, 2001 at a restaurant to be announced.

Doris Savage

No Networking Lunch In December

Helen Anthony, Carolyn Evens, Doris Savage, Don Golden & I enjoyed a delicious luncheon today at the Fountain Cafe at Hotel Hershey. Plan to join us in January for a relaxed time of conversation and sharing. An occasional sanity check never hurts!

Dave Binkley

November

Workshop Report

Special thanks to Helen Anthony, Shawn Gingrich, and Tom Clark-Jones for the great workshops they led at the November AGO meeting. The presentations about children's choirs, using handbells in worship, and console conducting were all very informative and full of great ideas, and all of us appreciated being able to share our experiences and concerns and ideas in discussions with our peers. No matter how long any of us have been working in church music, it's always important to take the opportunity to learn new things, or even be reminded of things that we've forgotten. And more importantly, by supporting workshops and events like these, we can encourage younger students and new colleagues in the field. It was great to see a few new faces at the event. A big thank you goes to Shawn Gingrich and First United Methodist in Hershey for hosting the event.

Melanie Moll

Position Available

Wesley United Methodist Church, Simpson and Filbert Streets, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055, seeks organist/choir director beginning January 1. Two Sunday Services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. and a Wednesday evening choir rehearsal at 7:00 p.m. Outstanding Moller organ. Salary: \$9,425-\$11,000. Send resume to Wesley church. For more information call Lary Bock at 652-9585 (W) or 691-1004 (H).

Zion Lutheran Church, Enola, to Dedicate Organ

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Enola, will dedicate its new organ on December 17 at 4:00 p.m. with a recital by Rudy Lucente. Lucente is Director of Music at Saint Rose Catholic Church in North Wales, Assistant Grand Court Organist of Lord & Taylor, Philadelphia, and Assistant Organist at Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square. He is a member of the Philadelphia Organ Quartet, an ensemble that performs music arranged for four organs. He studied with the late Dr. Keith Chapman and Richard Yardumian. His recording, "Christmas at Atlanta's Fabulous Fox" has received wide acclaim from listeners and reviewers alike.

This recital will highlight the recent installa-

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Wanamaker Organ Lives on at Lord and Taylor

I thought it appropriate to tell you about the "Friends of the Wanamaker Organ" this month due to the Christmas Holiday and the spectacular show that will take place at Lord & Taylor in Philadelphia this year. Carrying out a beloved tradition, a Light Show and Organ concert will be conducted in the Grand Court of the Wanamaker Building on December 16 at 2:30 p.m.

Wanamaker Organ. John and Rodman Wanamaker believed that exposure to quality on a grand scale not only cultivated taste and refinement, it enriched the spirit. A visit to their store was more than a journey to the land of plenty. It was a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of Commerce, and the Grand Court Organ was the Holy Grail.

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PIPE ORGAN ENCOUNTER

You can make a difference. As you know, the Harrisburg and Lancaster AGO Chapters are cosponsoring a Pipe Organ Encounter to be held June 17-22, 2001. The purpose of this summer organ institute is to introduce high school students to the organ, and to give them opportunities to develop and enhance their musical and keyboard skills. Please fill out the enclosed form and return to Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, co-chair of the POE committee.

I will give a brochure to five high school piano students and encourage them to attend

I am willing to provide financial assistance as follows:

\$25 to provide one copy of the "First Organ Book" edited by Wayne Leupold (instructional book that students utilize in their daily lessons and is given at the end of the week)

\$25 to reduce the cost of enrollment from \$300 to \$275 for one student

\$25 to provide a student membership into AGO for one student that attends the POE

\$20 to help cover the costs of our recreational night to Hershey Park

\$300 to underwrite one student registration fee

\$300 to underwrite one half of the recital given by two young artists: Paul Jacobs and Sarah Thrush

undesignated gift

Please make your checks out to: Pipe Organ Encounter 2001

Send to: Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, 230 Coachman Lane, Palmyra, PA 17078

If you would like to make a donation but would like to send the check in the next fiscal year, please fill out the form and pledge your gift so that we might have an accurate account of the funds during our planning process.

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Deadline for the January newsletter is December 15.

Please send all submissions to:

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Wanamaker Organ *(Continued from page 4)*

Today the tradition lives on. The organ is played daily Monday through Saturday at 11:30 and 5:15. If you are interested in becoming a "Friend of the Wanamaker Organ", please see their web site at www.wanamakerorgan.com or write to The Friends of the Wanamaker Organ, 224 Lee Circle Dept. W, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010-3726.

Kathy Myers

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