

American Guild of Organists - Harrisburg Chapter



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From the Dean

The Harrisburg AGO season kicked off to a great success with a recital on September 10th on the newly restored organ at the Forum in Harrisburg. The recital was extremely well attended and was deemed a great success by all in attendance. We had a large crowd with many people from the community. Thanks to all who performed. Special thanks to Allen Berlin and Shawn Gingrich for coordinating the event. Our program year will continue in October with a special presentation by one of our own members, Pierce Getz. Please read more about this program in this month's newsletter. Last week was a shock to our nation. I received two e-mails last week that I found to be comforting. I would like to share both of them with you. Throughout history some of our greatest hymns have been written by authors during times of human tragedy and strife. This past week Carl P. Daw wrote the following text. He sent it church musicians in the country along with the permission to share it with others. I hope that you will find comfort in his words.

WHEN SUDDEN TERROR TEARS APART

C.M. (suggested tunes: BANGOR, DETROIT)
or C.M.D. (suggested tune: THIRD MODE MEL-
ODY)

When sudden terror tears apart
the world we thought was ours,
we find how fragile strength can be,
how limited our powers.

As tower and fortress fall, we watch
with disbelieving stare
and numbly hear the anguished cries
that pierce the ash-filled air.

Yet most of all we are aware
of emptiness and void:
of lives cut short, of structures razed,
of confidence destroyed.

From this abyss of doubt and fear
we grope for words to pray,
and hear our stammering tongues embrace
a timeless Kyrie.

Have mercy, Lord, give strength & peace,
and make our courage great;
restrain our urge to seek revenge,
to turn our hurt to hate.

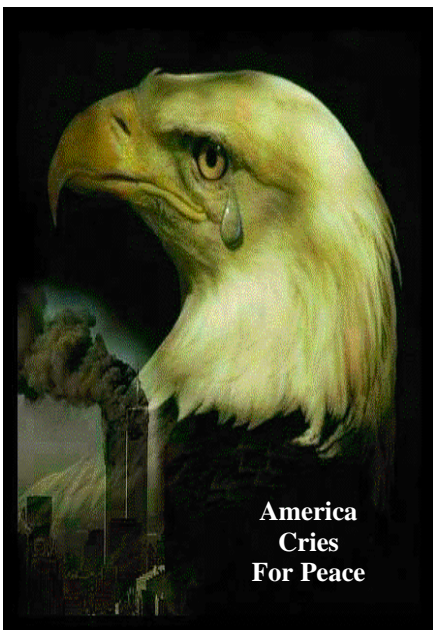
Help us to know your steadfast love,
your presence near as breath;
rekindle in our hearts the hope
of life that conquers death.

--Carl P. Daw, Jr.

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I would also like to share an article that
was written by the National AGO
headquarters. The article was sent to
Deans across the country.

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Chapter Birthday List

Please email, mail, or call me with your Birth Date. We are starting a new article in The Bombarde for chapter monthly birthday greetings. Don't be a sour note, respond today. Only 5 have responded to date.

Thanks, Jeffrey

***Happy October
Birthday!
Jacqui Barnett-19th***

Networking Lunch

Everyone knows the adage, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it". That applies to the decision made to continue having the lunches at the Bridges Café in the Radisson Hotel, Camp Hill bypass. Where can you enjoy a buffet of soup, salads, cold cuts, breads and fruit for just \$6.95, plus there is a variety to choose from off the menu. There is no formal agenda, just good conversation, such as heard today at the lunch: "Wasn't the program at the Forum great? We should do a recital there yearly"; a pitch was made for the National Convention to be held in July in Philadelphia; "the Bombarde looks great"; "gather your unused organ music for the upcoming used organ music sale in January". What your appetite? Please join us on Wed., October 10 at 11:30 a.m. Phone Doris Savage at 697-4042 by Mon., Oct. 8th (or email).

Have Any Organ Music That You Want to get rid of????

We are collecting "Slightly Used Music" to be sold at the workshop in January. Please start to look through your volumes of music now so that we have time to sort and price it before January 26th. We will be collecting music for the sale at each monthly event. The sale will be held during the AGO program on Saturday, January 26th, 2002. This will be a full day of workshops and the music sale will be set up all day for your shopping pleasure. Location of the event is First UCC church, Carlisle. Invite your friends to join us.

The shopping will be set up as a store with nominal prices assigned to the music depending on it's condition. We are asking for music associated with the organ. Instrumental duets with organ are welcomed. No Choral music, please.

Won't it be fun to see what we get for the sale? Drop off will be at any of the monthly AGO events and between 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Faith United Church of Christ, Drexel Hills Blvd, New Cumberland. Questions, please call Kathy Myers at 774-4465.

October Guild Meeting

Dr. Getz has found that the Mkt Sq Garage will close at 7 PM on Oct 9th, and has strongly recommended that we move our meeting up to 7 PM, vs. 7:30. He further recommends that we plan to arrive by 6:50, to be safe.

This will be a slide/commentary/audio presentation, gathered during a 1999 "Bach Organs Tour", under Harald Vogel. This tour covered organs in use during 1700-1750, some of which were played by J. S. Bach. A highlight of the trip was playing a 1 manual instrument that has remained unaltered since being played by J. S. Bach. Light refreshments will be provided. The presentation will be held in the Choir room, 1 level below the Sanctuary. Directions to the Market Square Church, please take the Second Street Exit off of I-83 and proceed North, cross Chestnut Street and turn left into the parking garage. Questions, please call the church office at 257-1270.

Car Pools



For those interested in carpooling to chapter events, please contact Shawn Gingrich at 533-9668. We will try to get some groups together from varied locations.

TREASURER'S REPORT

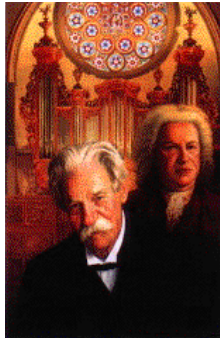
Cash in Bank as of 8/15/2001	3,145.93
Total Receipts (+)	959.00
Less Total Disbursements (-)	582.32
Cash in Bank as of 09/15/2001	3,522.61
Cassel Scholarship Fund plus Investments	14,538.05

Area Events

Saturday, October 6th at 7:30 p.m.

Market Square Presbyterian Church presents Words of Albert Schweitzer and the Music of J. S. Bach,

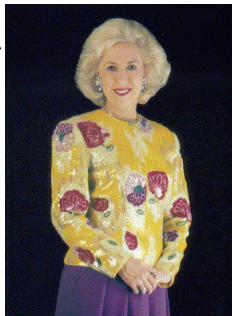
20 South 2nd Street, Harrisburg, PA 257-1274. A Multi-Media Musical Drama with Ellen Hughes, Cary Burkett, Rev. Jim Brown Narrators and Dr. Pierce Getz, Organist. Free parking is available in the Market Square Garage, 2nd and Chestnut Streets in downtown Harrisburg.



Sunday, Oct. 14th 3:00 & 7:30 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church presents Diane Bish. 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill, PA 737-8635. Diane Bish, organist and host of the international TV show *The Joy of Music*, with tenor Christian Seay and the 60-voice Chancel Choir. Tickets are free, but required.

(WAITING LIST ONLY FOR BOTH CONCERTS! Please call the church office ASAP.)

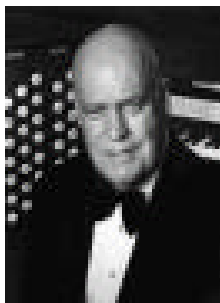


Sunday, October 21st

At 3 p.m., First United Methodist Church presents Brass Works led by Zach Sten. 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey, PA 533-9668. Zach, a member of our chapter leads this group and will be performing an extended work with them for organ and brass quintet. The concert is free and open to everyone. Child care is provided.

Sunday, October 21st

At 4 p.m., Camp Hill Presbyterian Church presents John Weaver. 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill, PA 737-0488. John Weaver, Organist Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church and Julliard School of Music, New York City. A free-will offering will be received to benefit the church's Pipe Organ Fund and childcare will be provided.



Sunday, October 28th at 3:00 p.m.

Hope United Presbyterian Church, The Hope Concert Series presents John Catalano and Sons, Classical Guitar Concert. 931 Red Hill Road, Dauphin, PA 921-2253. A free-will offering will be received and childcare will be provided

Sunday, November 4th at 7:00 p.m.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church presents Festal Evensong and Organ Recital by Douglas Major, Organist of Washington National Cathedral 6th & Chestnut Streets, Lebanon, PA 272-8251.

Wednesday, November 14th at 6:30 p.m.

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church presents ImagiMIME (David Geyer, mime artist) 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill, PA 737-0488. A free will offering will be received.

Sunday, November 18th at 3:00 p.m.

Baughman Memorial United Methodist Church, The Deborah Vowler Posner Concert Series presents The Philadelphia Piano Trio. Third and Market Streets, New Cumberland, PA 774-2005

Sunday, December 9th at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church Choirs present music for Advent & Christmas. CHPC Brass Choir - David Getz, Director and CHPC's Carol, Westminster, Kirk & Sanctuary Choirs - David Binkley, Organist/Choirmaster, John O'Donnell, Guest Organist. 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill, PA 737-0488.

Membership Directory Update

The reprinting the Harrisburg Chapter membership directory is in process. Please report any recent changes to your personal information to Kathy Myers ASAP at 774-4465 or e-mail her at kmyersx1@localnet.com. We will have the Directory available for pickup at the November 4th AGO program at Derry Presbyterian Church, Hershey.

What a difference a Day makes...

On Monday we emailed jokes
On Tuesday we did not

On Monday we thought that we were secure
On Tuesday we learned better

On Monday we were talking about heroes as being athletes
On Tuesday we relearned who our heroes are

On Monday we were irritated that our rebate checks had not arrived
On Tuesday we gave money away to people we had never met

On Monday there were people fighting against praying in schools
On Tuesday you would have been hard pressed to find a school where someone was not praying

On Monday people argued with their kids about picking up their room
On Tuesday the same people could not get home fast enough to hug their kids

On Monday people were upset that they had to wait 6 minutes in a fast food drive through line
On Tuesday people didn't care about waiting up to 6 hours to give blood for the dying

On Monday we waved our flags signifying our cultural diversity
On Tuesday we waved only the American flag

On Monday there were people trying to separate each other by race, sex, color and creed
On Tuesday they were all holding hands

On Monday we were men or women, black or white, old or young, rich or poor, gay or straight, Christian or non-Christian.
On Tuesday we were Americans

On Monday politicians argued about budget surpluses
On Tuesday grief stricken they sang 'God Bless America'

On Monday the President was going to Florida to read to children
On Tuesday he returned to Washington to protect our children

On Monday we had families
On Tuesday we had orphans

On Monday people went to work as usual
On Tuesday they died

On Monday people were fighting the 10 commandments on government property
On Tuesday the same people all said 'God help us all' while thinking 'Thou shall not kill'

It is sadly ironic how it takes horrific events to place things into perspective, but it has. The lessons learned last month, the things we have taken for granted, the things that have been forgotten or overlooked, hopefully will never be forgotten again.



Marilyn Keiser LVC Workshop

On Saturday, September 29, Marilyn Keiser will be presenting workshops at Lebanon Valley College. Dr. Keiser, Professor of Organ at Indiana University in Bloomington, is well known for her work in the church music field. She has also been a pioneer in promoting music for the small church. She will have valuable information for all church musicians.

Please plan to attend and to bring a friend. To register, please send a check for \$40 payable to Lebanon Valley College which covers all workshops and the luncheon. (LVC 101 North College Ave. Annville, PA 17003 attn. Shelly Moorman-Stahlman) If you need a registration form, e-mail me and we will send you a copy

9:30-9:45 Worship
9:45-10:45 Organ Service Playing
11:00-12:00 Organ Service Repertoire
12:00-1:15 Lunch
1:30-2:30 Organ with Instruments
2:45-3:45 Organ Service Repertoire II

If you would like to reserve a spot, please e-mail to alert me that your registration form will be coming. Thanks.

From the Dean

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AMERICA'S ORGANISTS AND CHOIR DIRECTORS COMFORT THOSE WHO MOURN IN OUR NATION'S CHURCHES AND SYNAGOGUES

NEW YORK CITY - The healing sound of the pipe organ will surround worshipers nationwide as the members of the AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS (AGO) go to work this weekend. Attendance at churches and synagogues is expected to be unusually high in the aftermath of the unprecedented and horrific attack on America, and the reassuring power of music will be there to comfort all those who mourn. Organists and choir directors of all ages, races, faiths, and creeds will be ministering through music as they do every weekend, leading hymns of faith and anthems of assurance. The thoughts and prayers of the American Guild of Organists, through its National Headquarters in New York City and 341 local chapters, go out to all of those who suffer from the recent acts of terrorism. The National Chaplain of the AGO, the Rev. Dr. Victoria Sirota, has called upon AGO members to "put on the 'armor of light' in this fight of evil against good," so that through our work "God's holy and loving embrace may be felt in this broken world." She continues, "You are important caretakers of the spiritual life of our religious institutions."

The AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS is the national professional association serving the organ and choral music fields. Founded in 1896 as both an educational and service organization, the AGO seeks to set and maintain high musical standards and to promote understanding and appreciation of all aspects of organ and choral music. The mission of the AGO is to promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles, to encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music, and to provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members. The Guild currently serves more than 20,000 members in more than 340 local chapters throughout the United States and abroad.

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**Harrisburg AGO Programs
2001-2002**

September 10, 2001
7:30 p.m.
Member / Student Recital - The Forum
Harrisburg

October 9, 2001
Changed to 7:00 p.m. Be in garage by 6:50 p.m..
Organs of Bach's Time in Sight and Sound by **Dr. Pierce Getz**
Market Square Presbyterian Church
Harrisburg

November 4, 2001
7:30 p.m.
Hymn Festival by Mark Laubach
Derry Presbyterian Church
Hershey

December 31, 2001
7:30 p.m.
Wassail Party and Impromptu Concert
Faith Presbyterian Church
Harrisburg

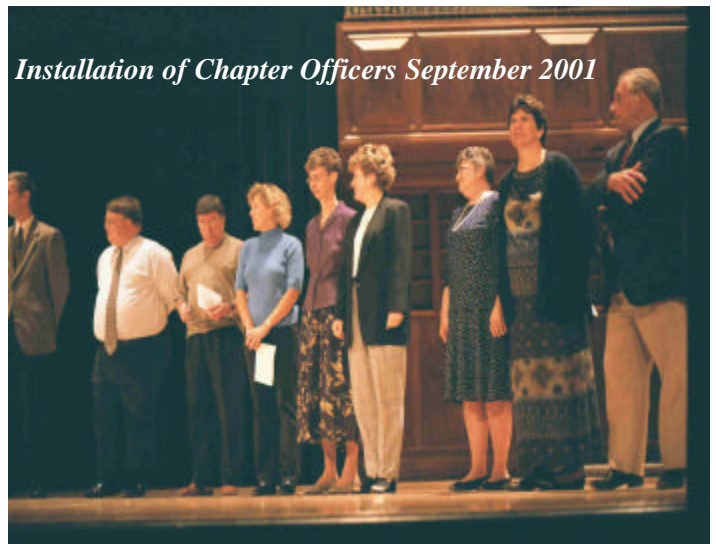
January 26, 2002
Workshop Sessions and Used Music Sale -
First United Church of Christ
Carlisle
Sessions offered: Hymnody, Organ Repair and Maintenance, Choral Repertoire and Techniques, Practical Organ Repertoire for Service Playing.

February 19, 2002
7:30 p.m.
Organ and Piano Technique, Similarities and Differences by Shelly Moorman-Stahlman and Dennis Sweigart
Lebanon Valley College
Annville

March 16, 2002
10:00 a.m.
Meet the Allen Renaissance R450 with Allen Representatives
Zion Lutheran Church
Enola

April 20, 2002
Meet in the parking lot of the Camp Hill Bon Ton at 7:45 a.m.
Organ crawl to the Hanover and Gettysburg Area

May 14, 2002
Time TBA
End of the year social



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