

## American Guild of Organists - Harrisburg Chapter

### From the Dean



August has been a time of change and excitement for me and my family. On August 2nd, my family moved into a new house in Annville. We now have a house on 3 acres with a swimming pool and a little barn. Tonight the Harrisburg AGO Program Committee met at my new house. (It was the first time to host a group in the new house..things went well except that my grill ran out of gas before the burgers were done and I couldn't remember where I put the paper plates or napkins when I unpacked). After our meeting tonight, I can tell you with great confidence that the Harrisburg AGO Chapter has an amazing year planned. Shawn Gingrich, our new sub-dean and program chair, is a meticulous planner and is full of ideas. The program committee: Alan Berlin, Don Golden, Kathy Meyers, Mary Jane Nelson, Doris Savage, Lois Van Orden, Church Yocum, Rich Zentmeyer, Helen

Anthony, Tom Notestine, and Zack Sten have worked hard and with great enthusiasm to plan this year's programs. Please review the dates and times noted on page... and mark them on your calendar.

Last night, the Harrisburg Board met. We also had a productive meeting and are excited about the upcoming year. I thought it might be valuable for me to share with you some of the highlights of our meeting. This summer our chapter received a \$2000 donation from Mr. Melvin Shenk to be used for student scholarships. Mr. Shenk had attended an event sponsored by the POE this past summer and was moved to donate money to help support student scholarships. The Board voted to allocate \$325 to be used to sponsor

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### Harrisburg AGO 2001-02 Season Debut

On Monday, September 10 at 7:30PM we will hold our first program of the new season. A member / student recital will be held at the Forum in Harrisburg. Those of you that haven't come out for a meeting for a while, join us!

*See Page 2 for complete details.*

### Do You Have Email?

You can help save the chapter money! Each month our newsletter will be on our web site [www.harrisburgago.com](http://www.harrisburgago.com). You can save our chapter money by choosing to read the newsletter each month on the web site. Another option is that our Editor will email you each month with the newsletter directly into your email. If you are willing to do either of these, please contact Don Golden & he will abstain from sending you a hard copy. Email Don at [OrgelmeisterEins@msn.com](mailto:OrgelmeisterEins@msn.com)

### Chapter Birthday List

Please email, mail, or call me with your Birth Date. I would like to keep up with how old we are all getting! No, actually we would like to start a new article in The Bombarde for chapter monthly birthday greetings. Don't be a sour note, join the party please.

Jeffrey

*Please feel free to comment on the newest format for your AGO Newsletter to your Editor or Dean. Pictures of our events will start in October. Thanks for your input and comments!*

### Networking Lunch

By popular request, we are returning to Bridges Cafe in the Radisson Hotel, Camp Hill bypass on Wednesday, September 12 at 11:30 a.m. Phone or email Doris Savage by Monday, Sept. 10. Won't you join us?

## September Guild Meeting

The Guild is pleased to hold its Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Forum Auditorium in downtown Harrisburg. This program brings us back to an instrument that has not seen a Guild program in many years.

The four manual, 70 rank instrument installed by the M. P. Moeller of Hagerstown Maryland in 1968 was recently brought back into playing condition. Credit goes to the Commonwealth Department of General Services for undertaking this \$10,000 project. The console was completely re-leathered by the Hagerstown Organ Company under the direction of Craig Doyle. In addition, Hagerstown corrected wind leaks throughout the instrument. Under the direction of Colin Walsh and Burton Tidwell, C. M. Walsh Pipe Organbuilders of Sharon Hill, Pennsylvania undertook the complete tuning, regulation, and repair of pipe leathers and dead notes throughout the instrument.

The program, a member/student recital and installation of chapter officers will begin at 7:30 pm. Please enter the Auditorium from the main front entrance under the awning. Playing on the program will be Tony Ciucci, Mark Cole, Brittany Jones, Shawn Gingrich, Don Golden, Kate Luley, Sarah Thrush, and Lois VanOrden. A reception in the Green Room will follow the recital.

Parking is available either on the street or in the Capitol Parking Garage (under the fountain). You will need to enter the garage on Commonwealth Avenue and tell the officer on duty that you are there for the AGO organ recital at the Forum.

### DIRECTIONS

The Forum Auditorium is located in downtown Harrisburg at the intersection of Fifth and Walnut Streets.

### FROM I-83

Exit I-83 at the Second Street exit. Proceed to Market Square (at the Hilton) and turn right on Market Street. Go three blocks and turn left at the light onto Fifth Street and go one block. The Forum is right in front of you. For parking in the Capitol garage, turn left

onto Walnut Street and then take the next right on Commonwealth Avenue. Enter the Garage to the left before the fountain.

### FROM I-81

Exit I-81 at the Front Street exit and go south. Proceed down Front Street to Market Street and turn left onto Market Street. Go four blocks and turn left at the light onto Fifth Street and go one block. The Forum is right in front of you. For parking in the Capitol Garage, turn left onto Walnut Street and then take the next right on Commonwealth Avenue. Enter the garage to the left before the fountain.

### FROM THE WEST SHORE VIA THE HARVEY TAYLOR BRIDGE

After crossing the bridge turn right onto Front Street. Proceed down Front Street to Market Street and turn left onto Market Street. Go four blocks and turn left at the light onto Fifth Street and go one block. The Forum is right in front of you. For parking in the Capitol Garage, turn left onto Walnut Street and then take the next right on Commonwealth Avenue. Enter the garage to the left before the fountain.

### FROM THE WEST SHORE VIA THE MARKET STREET BRIDGE

After crossing the bridge continue on Market Street. Go four blocks and turn left at the light onto Fifth Street and go one block. The Forum is right in front of you. For parking in the Capitol Garage, turn left onto Walnut Street and then take the next right on Commonwealth Avenue. Enter the garage to the left before the fountain.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash in Bank as of 7/15/2001	2,791.72
Total Receipts (+)	2,891.11
Less Total Disbursements (-)	2,536.90
Cash in Bank as of 07/15/2001	3,145.93
Cassel Scholarship Fund plus Investments	14,538.05

# Area Events

HAPPY  
LABOR  
DAY  
HAGO!



## Sunday, September 16th at 3:00 p.m.

**Baughman Memorial United Methodist Church, The Deborah Vowler Posner Concert Series presents The Basin Street Barons.**

Third and Market Streets, New Cumberland, PA Phone 774-2005. The Basis Street Barons, New Orleans Dixieland Jazz Band. Traditional repertoire includes Sweet Georgia Brown, Just A Closer Walk with Thee and When the Saints Go Marching In. Enjoy Dixieland jazz the way it was meant to be played!

**Hope United Presbyterian Church, The Hope Concert Series presents The Encores Big Band.**

931 Red Hill Road, Dauphin, PA 921-2253. The Encores Big Band will present a Benefit Big Band Concert on the lawn entitled "Swingin' for Missions". All proceeds from the free-will offering will help sponsor our upcoming Mission Trip to El Salvador, Central America in April 2002. Bring your lawn chair and join us and swing to Tommy Dorsey and Glenn Miller. Childcare will be provided.

## Sunday, September 23rd

**At 7:00 p.m., Saint Luke's Episcopal Church presents Choral Evensong and Recital of organ solo, organ duet, and organ/harpsichord music by Phillip Compton and Margaret Marsch.**

Sixth and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon, PA 273-3901.

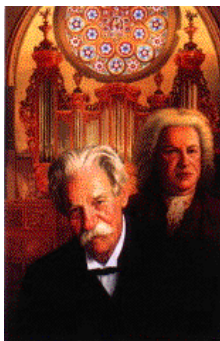
**At 4:00 p.m., Camp Hill Presbyterian Church presents Sweet Water Reunion (Bluegrass Ensemble).**

101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill, PA 737-0488. A free-will offering will be received and childcare will be provided.

## 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 Christyan Seay and the 60-voice Chancel Choir. Tickets are free, but required.

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

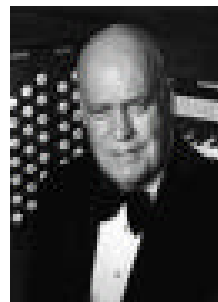


## Sunday, October 21st at 4:00 p.m.

**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.

## 3/4 Position Available

Organist/Choirmaster-Director of Music needed at **Saint Mark Lutheran Church**, 129 Hanover Street, Hanover, PA. Children, Youth, and Adult Choirs with possible Handbell Choir. 3/4 Position—\$23,500 with benefits. Contact Pastors Eric or Joanne Stenman at church 717-637-8904 or email interest to botten25@home.com

## Positions Available

Minister of Music needed at **Harris Street United Methodist Church**, 250 Harris Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102. This congregation of 325 has one Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m. They have an Adult Choir of 8 members, a Children's Choir of 6 members, and a Handbell Choir of 10 members. They have a 3 manual DB-63 Allen organ. They offer a salary range of \$8,000.-\$10,000., 4 weeks paid vacation, study allowance and AGO membership. This is a progressive Harrisburg Church in the historic area. Enthusiastic congregations with many talented instrumentalists. Music ranges from classical to contemporary. Contact Arthur J. Riggs at 717-561-0320 or the church office at 717-238-4036.

Organist/Director of Music is needed at **Middletown Presbyterian Church**, Union and Water Streets, Middletown, PA 17057. This congregation of 215 has one Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. They have a Chancel Choir of 15-20 members, a Bell Choir of 11 members and a Children's Choir of 6-15 members. They have a Rogers 950 Classic Organ, offer a salary range of \$9,000. - \$12,000., 4 weeks vacation, 3 days sick leave. A budget for Chancel Choir Music of \$750., Bell Choir Music of \$300. And Children's Choir Music of \$250. The congregation appreciates quality performance. The organist and choirs endeavor to provide excellence in their music. Hours per week is 10. Contact the church secretary, Diane Rowe at 717-944-4322.

## **REMINDER!!!! Membership Renewal and Dues Collection**

September 15<sup>th</sup> is the due date for late memberships. The official membership year is from July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002. National Headquarters has requested that membership be completed by then. If you have failed to renew, now is the time to send in your membership to ensure that there will be no interruption in receiving the National newsletter. Send all memberships to Kathy Myers, 1701 Creek Vista Drive, New Cumberland, PA 17070

Please remember to fill out the renewal form so the directory will have accurate information. New or renewal membership applications can be obtained by calling Carolyn Evens at 737-6027 or Kathy Myers at 774-4465. Kathy's e-mail address is [kmyersx1@localnet.com](mailto:kmyersx1@localnet.com).

## **Directory Update**

We will be reprinting the Harrisburg Chapter membership directory next month. If you have any recent changes to your personal information, please call Kathy Myers at 774-4465 or e-mail her at [kmyersx1@localnet.com](mailto:kmyersx1@localnet.com) with the changes. We will have the Directory available for pickup at the November 4<sup>th</sup> AGO program at Derry Presbyterian Church, Hershey.

## **From the Dean**

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one student to attend a POE this coming summer. We also voted to allocate up to \$550 to be used this year to subsidize the costs of organ lessons for a young person in our area. A Scholarship Committee consisting of Tom Clark-Jones, Mary Jane Nelson, and Jane Miller was formed to pursue the matter. The remaining money will be invested to be used in the future.

Esther Long has served as our Placement and Substitute Coordinator faithfully for several years. Since she recently completed her tenure on the board, she asked to be relieved of her duties. Tim Koch has agreed to serve as our new coordinator. When churches call you and ask how they might be able to find an organist, be sure to give them Tim's name.

We also voted to update our Salary Guidelines Pamphlet. A committee has been formed to review materials from other local AGO chapters and to submit a recommendation to the board. Please contact these members with your ideas and concerns: Shelly M-S, Don Golden, Shawn Gingrich, Doris Savage, Carolyn Evens, and Tim Koch.

Your board works hard. Be sure to note the names of all the board members listed on the back of the newsletter. They are all eager to hear your concerns and ideas. Please remember that you are always welcome to attend any board meeting. Our next board meeting will be on Monday, January 14, 7:30 p.m.

## **Harrisburg Chapter Receives a Gift**

Our Chapter recently received a very generous gift from Melvin Shenk from the Violette I. Shenk Memorial. Violette, Melvin's mother, was the first cousin to Violette Cassel for whom our student competition is named.

Mrs. Shenk was an organist for 60 years and served as organist of the Manada Hill United Methodist Church. She also taught piano for 30 years and was well known in the area.

The gift will be used to promote and encourage the study of organ to interested students throughout the Central PA region. The Board has approved the gift to be used for future organ lessons to qualified students. We are hoping some of the students from this year's POE will be interested in applying.

There are six new student memberships received into our chapter from the POE. Watch future Bombarde issues for student profiles.

## **Slightly Used Music Sale**

Do you have music that you do not play or would like to donate to the "Slightly Used Music Sale" this program year? If yes, start collecting it for the music sale that will be held during the AGO program on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2002. This will be a full day of workshops and the music sale will be set up all day for your shopping pleasure. Location is First UCC church, Carlisle. Invite your friends.

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.



## **Harrisburg AGO Programs 2001-2002**

September 10, 2001

7:30 p.m.

**Member / Student Recital** - The Forum  
Harrisburg

October 9, 2001

7:30 p.m.

**Organs of Bach's Time in Sight and Sound** by **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

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**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

Time TBA

**Organ crawl to the Hanover and Gettysburg Area**

May 14, 2002

Time TBA

End of the year social



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*Deadline for the September newsletter is September 15.*

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