

American Guild of Organists - Harrisburg Chapter From the Dean



Why attend Philadelphia 2002, the National Convention of the American Guild of Organists?

The count-down continues! One reason is compositions - especially our five major commissioned works. Convention participants will be treated to a great variety of new music in diverse genres by top composers from the U.S.A. and Canada:

-William Bolcom's solo organ work, "Borborygm" to be premiered by Alan Morrison at Princeton University Chapel

-Ruth Watson Henderson's sacred cantata, "From Darkness to Light," for chorus, chamber orchestra, and organ, to be premiered by the Voices of Ascension, Dennis Keene, director

-Ben Steinberg's "Psalms of Thanksgiving," nine psalm settings for children's choir, organ, cello and harp to be premiered by the Toronto Children's Chorus, Jean Ashworth Bartle, director, at Verizon Hall in the newly built Kimmel Performing Arts Center

-Owen Burdick's sacred anthem "Lord, What is Man," for chorus and organ to be premiered by St. Thomas Choir of Men and Boys, Gerre Hancock, Director, accompanied by John Weaver, organ

-Douglas Major's "Love Poem to God," a sacred anthem for choir, organ and synthesizer to be premiered by the Royal School of Church Music. As with most aspects of this year's convention, the planners did not stop with the expected. In addition to the commissions listed above, the work commissioned by the

Philadelphia AGO Chapter for its 100th anniversary, Jennifer Higdon's "Ceremonies" will be performed during the Gathering Convention Celebration on Monday, July 1.

There's more! The six compositions in The Philadelphia Organ Book will be presented during the convention by David Higgs in his Repertoire Enrichment sessions or premiered in recitals by the Rising Star organists, which will precede worship services during the week. The book, to be published by the Theodore Presser Music Company of Philadelphia, will be available for purchase at the convention. Composers of these short organ pieces of intermediate difficulty, each based on a season of the church year. See January 2002 TAO. *Ethel Geist,*

Promotions 2002

Ethel Geist, Promotions

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April Event - AGO Organ Crawl, Saturday, April 20th

Meet in the parking lot at the Bon Ton, Camp Hill, at 7:45 am, ready to **leave at 8 am # please!** Those people who are planning to go should call Gerry Hoover (232-1706) or Email (g Hoover@state.pa.us) by the 12th of April. Those going who can drive and take passengers should also let Gerry know so that we can get make sure of enough passenger room. Following is the itinerary:

9 a.m. - St. Mark Lutheran, Charles St., Hanover	1 p.m.-Gettysburg Seminary
10 a.m. - St. Matthew Lutheran, Chestnut Street	2 p.m.-Gettysburg College, Christ Chapel
11 a.m. - Conawago Chapel, McSherrystown	3 p.m.-Holy Trinity Lutheran, York Springs

LUNCH at the Dobbins House in Gettysburg

This looks like a fun day to hear these outstanding organs and to enjoy fellowship. We hope that you will plan to attend!

Harrisburg AGO Programs 2001-2002

April 20, 2002

Meet in the parking lot of the Camp Hill Bon Ton at 7:45 a.m. Leaving promptly at 8:00 a.m.

Organ crawl to the Hanover and Gettysburg Area

RSVP by April 12th or for info, call Gerry Hoover at 232-1706 or email at ghoover@state.pa.us

May 14, 2002

5:45 p.m. Social Time with entertainment by Oriana
 6:30 p.m. Dinner at Harding's Restaurant \$23. Each Attendee
 End of the year social with program: Christyn Seay, Soloist and Installation of Officers 2002-2003

Pray for our Armed Forces!



Pray for April Showers!

HAGO Sounds Farewell



Colin "Corky" Bender, a longtime member of the Guild passed away at the end of February. Colin served many churches in the area as a substitute organist. The Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists extends its sympathy to the family of Colin Bender.
 "Requiem aeternum"

First Lutheran Carlisle Celebrates 100 Years

GOD IS HERE, a Hymn Festival celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the First Lutheran Church building, will take place on Sunday, April 14, at 4 p.m. as the first event of the Fine Arts at First Spring Series.

The hymn festival will be lead by Wayne L. Wold, Lutheran organist and noted writer. Mr. Wold is the Director of Chapel Music at Camp David. He is also a member of the music faculty at Hood College in Frederick, Maryland. Mr. Wold is a prolific composer of hymns and instrumental and choral works. Well-known for his energetic leadership of congregational song and organ improvisations, he is in demand across the country to lead hymn festivals.

Mr. Wold will lead the festival choir and congregation in songs of praise from the church's newly refurbished 55-rank Aeolian-Skinner organ. The massed choir will be comprised of choristers from local congregations who are ecumenical partners of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America.

After nine months of renovation to its worship space, First Lutheran Church is pleased to again reopen its doors to the public for Fine Arts events. The historic sanctuary's beautiful architecture has been enhanced by improved lighting and sound systems. A restroom is now situated in the narthex, and improved handicap accessibility will offer greater ease of entrance for everyone through the front doors.

Following tradition, the *Fine Arts at First* event is free of charge with a freewill offering received. A reception in the Martin Luther Room will follow where an exhibit from the church archives will be on display. Complimentary booklets containing a brief history of the church building by Donald K. Roeder, MD, will be available.

The *Fine Arts Spring Series* will continue with The American Boy Choir from Princeton, New Jersey, in concert on Sunday, May 19, at 4 p.m.

For information, contact the church at 249-3310 or firstlutheran@fast.net .

Harrisburg Chapter AGO Directory

Please send corrections and/or additions to the 2001-2002 Membership Directory to Kathy Myers at 774-4465 or e-mail her at kmyersx1@localnet.com. Thank you.

HAGO Car Pools



Please contact Gerry Hoover at 232-1706. We are willing to get several groups together from the Bon Ton, Camp Hill to attend the HAGO Organ Crawl. Join us for this great and exciting April Event at 7:45 a.m. Have some FUN!!

Networking Lunch

The HAGO Networking Luncheon resumes on **Wednesday, April 10th at 11:30 a.m. at the Bridges Café, Radisson Hotel, Camp Hill**
Call or email Doris Savage by Monday, April 8, 2002.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash in Bank as of 02/15/2002	\$2,355.42
Total Receipts (+)	\$85.00
Less Total Disbursements (-)	\$202.35
Cash in Bank as of 03/15/2002	\$2,238.07
Cassel Scholarship Fund plus Investments	\$14,800.55

Area Events in The Arts

Sunday, April 7, 2002 4 p.m.

4 p.m. Camp Hill Presbyterian Church

Rehoboth Welsh Choir-Jeffrey Beyers, Director.

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

7:30 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church Susquehanna University Choir under the direction of Cyril Streams.

2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill 737-8635.

Sunday, April 14, 2002

3 p.m. First United Methodist Church The Sweet Adelines.

The concert is free and open to the public. Child care will be provided. 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey 533-9668.

4 p.m. First Lutheran Church "Fine Arts at First" presents Hymn Festival "God is Here" with Wayne L. Wold.

Celebrating 100th anniversary of the church building.

Mr. Wold is the Director of Music at Camp David. Free-will offering. Reception following. 100 East High, Carlisle 249-3310 or firstlutheran@tast.net.

Sunday, April 21, 2002

3 p.m. Christ United Church of Christ Dedication Recital by Carl E. Schroeder, Organist, Stephanie Schroeder Landis, Contralto and James Landis, Baritone.

1931 3-manual

Moller rebuilt by Gundling Organ Company,

Carl E. Schroeder, consultant. 200 South White Oak Street,

Annaville.

7 p.m. St. Luke's Episcopal Church Evensong and Organ Recital-Victor Fields.

6th and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon.

Friday, April 26, 2002 7:30 p.m.

Market Square Presbyterian Church Alumni Chorale of Lebanon Valley College, under the direction of Pierce Getz.

Music of Gabrieli, Schütz, Vaughan Williams, Pinkham and Rutter, for voices, brass percussion and keyboard. 20 South Second, Harrisburg 238-9304.

Saturday, April 27, 2002 7:30 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church ABENDMUSIK CONCERT SERIES "Sounds of America" Featuring York Oratorio Society

An evening of music to honor those Americans who tragically lost their lives on September 11, 2001 in NYC, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C.. To make a reservation for free childcare call by April 24. Free-will offering. 225 East Market Street, York 843-8041x233.

Sunday, April 28, 2002 7 p.m.

Zion Lutheran Church A.M.A.Z.E. Messiah College Concert Choir under the direction of Linda Tedford.

Messiah College's Concert Choir consists of 50 members, chosen each year by audition. In May 2002, they will be touring Ireland. 100 West Main Street, Hummelstown 566-2589.

Sunday, May 5, 2002

3 p.m. Hope United Presbyterian Church 2nd Annual Hope Concert Series presents The Capitol Opera Harrisburg in Concert.

A free-will offering will be received and childcare will be provided. Concert is free and open to the public. Come support this new area outreach program in Dauphin. 931 Red Hill Road, Dauphin 921-2253.

3 p.m. Market Square Presbyterian Church "Baroque and Beyond" Chamber Trio in ensemble and solo performances.

Klement Hambourg, violin; Jill Haley, oboe; Pierce Getz, harpsichord, piano, organ. Music of Bach, Handel, Schubert, Bloch, Vaughan Williams, Reger. 20 South Second, Harrisburg 257-1275.

7 p.m. St. Luke's Episcopal Church Evensong including the Easter portion of Handel's MESSIAH.

6th and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon

Sunday, May 19, 2002 4 p.m.

Zion Lutheran Church A.M.A.Z.E. Hymn Festival. Zion will celebrate God's love and grace with hymns, anthems, original arrangements and improvisations. Joining the singers will be Marsha Roscoe, flutist, Bob Snyder, trumpeter, the Handbell choir and a few surprises. A celebration you surely won't want

Three Positions Available

Organist/Director of Music, Middletown Presbyterian (215 Members) Union & Water Sts, Middletown, PA 17057

Contact: Diane Rowe, Secretary, 944-4322

Responsibilities include: one 10:30 am Sunday service:

Three Choirs-Adult, Bell, and Children's. Rodgers 3 manual 950 Classic organ. Salary-\$9,000 to \$12,000. 4 weeks paid vacation. 3 days sick leave.

Organist, Paxton United Methodist Church (170 members) 3550 N. Progress Ave., Harrisburg, PA 17110

Contact: Barbara Yorks 545-3530

Responsibilities include: one 10:15 am service: two choirs (adult and children's), a men's quartet and an instrumental ensemble. 2 manual Allen organ. Salary \$8,750 (negotiable), 4 weeks paid Vacation. Book/Music allowance and continuing education.

Organist or Organist/Choir Director, Saint James Lutheran Church, 2nd and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon, PA 17042 Contact: Pastor John Merkel @ 272-5563
*Average attendance-105 *two services: 8 am & 10:45 *One 12-member Adult Choir *Two Manual Moeller (New Console 2001) * Salary Range \$7,500-\$11,250 *Four weeks Vacation * Continuing Education*

Susquehanna University Choir Concert

Trinity's *Festival of the Arts* Concert Series will present the Susquehanna University Choir under the direction of Cyril Stretansky on Sunday evening, April 7 at 7:30 P.M. The 50-voice choir, comprised of highly select choral musicians, fills a double roll-functioning as a training laboratory in which future music educators learn the great choral literature and techniques of choral singing, and as a performing organization dedicated to the highest standards of choral excellence.

Besides appearances on campus and at nearby sites, the group takes an annual concert tour. Outside the U.S., it has been heard at Salzburg Cathedral in Austria, Coventry Cathedral and Trafalgar Square in England, Notre Dame and Chartres Cathedrals in France, Palazzo del Congressi in Florence, St. Mark's in Venice, and the ancient Cathedral de Cuernavaca in Mexico.

The Choir has recorded fourteen volumes and has been featured nationwide on the Lutheran Series of the Protestant Hour, as well as National Public Radio, the Satellite Radio Network, and the worldwide Armed Forces Network.

There will be no admission charge-a free-will offering will be received.



He Is Risen!!

POE Interview-Part II

Rachel is the daughter of Ronald and Janice Slabaugh and lives in Cleona, Pa. She is a Junior at Annville-Cleona High School. Rachel has two older brothers, Nathan and Ben and a twin sister, Sarah. She is currently studying voice with Sally Miller at Lebanon Valley College and organ with Karen Umberger. She plays the piano and trumpet in addition to voice and organ. Quite a musical young lady. Her future plans take her to Lebanon Career and Technology Center where she is going to study to be an LPN. She told me she is hoping to also find an organist position at a church when she finishes school. In her free time she enjoys being with her friends.

Amanda Wolfe is from Jonestown, Pa. and attends Northern Lebanon High School. She is a Junior. Her parents are Gary and Joy Wolfe and she is an only child. She is currently studying piano with Elizabeth Shiffer. She is hoping to be able to spend time this summer practicing the organ at her church. She plays the French Horn in her concert band and the mellophone in the marching band. When I talked with her she was leaving the next day for Ireland to march in a St. Patrick's Day parade. She sounded pretty excited! In her spare time she likes to play softball and spend time with her friends. She did say that she gets pretty busy and doesn't always have time to do that. Her future plans will keep her fairly close to home. She would like to find a college in the area where she would participate in music in some way and probably go into the Education field.

I again found these two young ladies to be very personable and willing to share of themselves with me. I think that we have some good young talent coming up in the ranks that appreciate music and it's benefits. Take heart fellow organist's.

Carolyn Houck

Heart Felt Thank You

Suzanne Klinedinst wishes to thank the many members of the guild who remembered her with cards, visits, and calls during recovery time from her total knee replacement on Jan. 7. She was very comforted to hear from friends and know that they were praying for her. After a plateau of three weeks when physical therapy was going no where, she is happy to report that a change in therapists and rehab outpatient care has netted great results. Although her left knee is not bending properly as yet to play Bach on the organ, she will be returning to the console at Mechanicsburg Presbyterian beginning March 3. It appears that anticipated further surgery will not be necessary. A special thank you is expressed to local guild composers Bob Lau and Chuck Yocum whose Lenten music is very playable for the handicapped. It is a blessing to have such caring folks in the Harrisburg Chapter of Organists. Praise to God from whom all blessings flow!

Organ For Sale

Allen Theater Compact from the mid to late 60s Model #B-2583. It is in excellent condition - asking \$400. If interested call Joann Shanks during the day at 717-901-2409.



The Harrisburg Chapter of AGO invites you to their

Spring Banquet
on Tuesday
May 14, 2002
at the Hardings' Restaurant

3817 Old Gettysburg Road
Camp Hill

Directions: From Harrisburg area – take Rt. 83S, 581W to Rt 15S. Take Highland Park exit. Left at stop sign past Bon Ton/Burger King (on left). Go straight through the traffic light for .03 mile to Harding's Restaurant on left. Enter from left rear door to banquet rooms.

Social Hour - 5:45 PM with Hors D'Ouevres and cash bar
Entertainment by Oriana

Dinner – 6:30 PM followed by a program and Installation of Officers
Guest Soloist is Christyan Seay

Please choose from one entrée below. Guests are welcome.

_____ Chicken Cordon Bleu

_____ Salmon Filet w Dill Sauce

Entree includes fruit cup, salad, baked potato, vegetable and dessert. Cost is \$23.00 per person (includes tax and gratuity).

Please return this invitation no later than Friday, May 10, 2002. Make your check payable to the Harrisburg Chapter AGO and send it to Kathy Myers, Treasurer, 1701 Creek Vista Drive, New Cumberland, PA 17070.

Name: _____

Telephone #: _____

2002-2003 Ballot

Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

The nominating committee submits the following names to the membership as their slate of candidates for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

Dean: Shawn Gingrich

Sub Dean: Richard Zentmeyer

Secretary: Kenneth Walker

Treasurer: Kathy Myers

Registrar: Mary Jane Nelson

Chaplain: Msgr. Thomas H. Smith

Auditors: (two positions)

Doris Savage

Brian Rice

Board of Director (three positions to be filled):

Anthony Ciucci

Josephine Bailey Freund

Michael Shoemaker

Please indicate your selections in the space provided and return this ballot to Kathy Myers, Treasurer, 1701 Creek Vista Drive, New Cumberland, PA 17070 by May 10th.

Installation of the Officers will be held at the Spring Banquet (see page 5) held on Tuesday, May 14, 2002 at the Harding's Restaurant in Camp Hill.

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The submission deadline for each edition of the Bombarde is the fifteenth of the month normally. Whenever possible, submit your items in electronic format with minimal text formatting. Thanks for your interest!

Deadline for the May 2002 newsletter is April 15th.

Please send all submissions to:

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