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American Guild of Organists – Harrisburg Chapter



From the Dean

Dear Harrisburg Chapter Members,

I hope that you and your family enjoyed a Happy Thanksgiving, with turkey, all the trimmings, side dishes, and some delicious pumpkin pie!

Those chapter members who were able to attend the Choral Reading Session presented by Dr. William Carroll on November 12 had the opportunity to sing through about 30 anthems. All participants were given a free copy of each anthem, a rarity these days! Dr. Carroll is an experienced clinician, and everyone benefitted from his fine presentation. I want to thank Robert Lau, Program Chair, for planning the workshop. Our thanks to Robert and to Shawn Gingrich for their fine accompaniments, and to Suzanne Klinedinst for her hospitality. This Choral Reading Session was a most rewarding chapter program.

Our next program will be on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at Camp Hill United Methodist Church, Brian Rice, Host. We will start with a Catered Supper at 6 pm, followed by a Members' and Organ Plus Recital at 7:30 pm. If you wish to participate in the program, please contact Robert Lau or Brian Rice. (See details below).

Anthony Ciucci, Nominating Committee Chair, has announced that the following chapter members have agreed to serve with him on the 2012 Nominating Committee: Karen Appel, Mary Jane Nelson, Rev. James Lease, and Richard Frey.

At its November 8 meeting the Board voted to deposit \$7,500.00 in the Shenk Fund. Thanks to the Board's action, this very valuable program for young organists will continue for the foreseeable future. The Board voted, also, to send \$5,000.00 to the Winchester, VA AGO Chapter for its 2013 Regional Convention. These monies were taken from our Regional Convention proceeds. You may read the details and the purpose of the Winchester Grant in a letter sent to the chapter, a copy of which is included in this edition of *The Bombarde* (see page 7)

In closing, let me wish every chapter member a Merry Christmas, a Happy Hanukah. Let us pray that 2012 will bring peace, happiness, health, and joy to all of us and to our loved ones.

Soli Deo Gloria.

Ralph Kneeream, Dean

From the Sub-Dean

Performers are needed for the Member's Recital/Organ-Plus Program, scheduled for Tuesday, January 17, 2012, 7:30 P.M. at Camp Hill United Methodist Church. Brian Rice, organist at the church, is hosting the event. This has always been a popular and interesting program. I encourage you and any guest performers you might know to be a part of this program. The organ is a recently expanded and renovated Moller organ (3 manuals, 5 divisions, 60+ ranks and MIDI). See the Chapter web site for complete specifications. There is also a Yamaha Grand Piano available.

If you want to participate, contact Brian Rice at his home number (717) 233-3420, his cell (717) 418-5452, or email him at brianagohbg@aol.com.

Note: We are again able to have a catered dinner at the church before the program. (See the separate article next page.)

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Our mission 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.

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Upcoming Chapter Programs

Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 7:30 PM

Members' and Organ Plus Recital

Also a catered dinner will precede the recital at 6:00 (see details in the next column)

Camp Hill United Methodist Church, 417 South 22nd Street, Camp Hill; Brian Rice, Host

Saturday, February 11, 2012 at 9:30 AM

Organ Crawl to Hershey

First United Methodist Church,
64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey;

Shawn Gingrich, Host

Also may include a possible visit to The Hershey Theatre (pending approval of date after 1/11/12)

Saturday, March 10, 2012 at 9:30 AM

"Making the Most of Your Anthem"

Robert Lau, clinician

St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral,
221 North Front Street, Harrisburg;
Michael Shoemaker, Host

Saturday, April 21, 2012

from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM

"Marcel Dupre: A PowerPoint Presentation of His Life and Works"

Ralph Kneeream, clinician

presenting the complete version at the behest of the program committee
Army War College, Jim Thorpe and
Claremont Roads, Carlisle

May 2012 date and location
to be announced

Annual Chapter Business Meeting and Dinner,
including the Installation of Officers

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend all of these events!

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Programs for the 2012-2013 year

I am searching for ideas for programs for the 2012-13 year. All ideas are welcome and open for consideration. Have you heard of something done in another chapter which you think may interest us? Is there a birth date/death date of someone in the organ/church music world we need to recognize with a musical program featuring that person's works? Are there topics you think we as a chapter could discuss? Please contact me at (717) 737-7038 or email robertagohbg@hotmail.com.

-Robert Lau

Members' Recital / Organ Plus Program with Dinner

Tuesday, January 17, 2012

Camp Hill United Methodist Church
417 South 22rd Street, Camp Hill; Brian Rice, Host

Catered supper from Premier Caterers - 6:00 PM

Recital - 7:30 PM

Menu

Beef and Chicken Stroganoff

Egg Noodles

Peas

Applesauce

Salad

Desserts

Coffee, Tea

Register for the dinner now!

(Deadline for registration - January 13, 2012)

Cost: \$12.00 per person

Make check payable to:

"Harrisburg Chapter, AGO"

Mark "January Buffet" on memo line of check.

Mail to: Brian Rice, Treasurer,
1430 Green Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

Mary Walsh Remembered

by Chuck Yocum

It was my pleasure to work with Mary at the time she guided our Chapter as Dean. Mary was a fine Organist, playing extremely well as a church organist and as a player in some of our meetings that needed members to participate. She also guided the chapter as Dean at a time when we were in the midst of defining the responsibilities of the officers and placing those responsibilities in print as guidelines. Mary was always prepared, in handling her duties, whatever they may be, and was very gracious. I would like to thank the family for sharing her with us in her Leadership role, and assisting us in so many ways.

Membership Corner

by Doris Savage

Nick Basehore has a new address: 2921 Butler St., Harrisburg, 17103.

Laura Ramsey has a new address: 128 West Portland St., Unit 5, Mechanicsburg. 17055.

Please send contributions of news: happy, sad, congratulatory, etc. to membership chair Doris Savage, 12 Wineberry Dr, Mechanicsburg PA 17055 or email dorisagohbg@comcast.net or call 717-697-4042.

From a Member

“Membership in the AGO has given me the opportunity to associate with other organists and to increase my musical knowledge. The programs of the chapter provide educational tools and ideas that can be put to use in the weekly work of church organists.”

Monthly Lunch Bunch

We'll meet on Wednesday, December 14 at 11:30 a.m. in the Bridges Café at the Radisson in Camp Hill. Please call or email Doris Savage no later than Monday, December 5th if you plan to attend: call 717-697-4042 or email dorisagohbg@comcast.net.

Treasurer's Report

by Brian Rice

Cash in Bank as of 10/1/2011	\$ 7,163.91
Disbursements (-)	\$ 344.43
Receipts (+)	\$ 457.82
Cash in Bank as of 10/31/2011	\$ 7,277.30
Invested Funds:	
Cassel Award	\$ 5,971.16
Stahle Award	\$ 1,139.46
Yocum Scholarship	\$ 2,353.95 ¹
Shenk Scholarship	\$ 578.77 ²
Throne Money Market	\$10,010.90
Reserve Money Market	\$33,241.86 ³
General CD	\$ 5,029.60

¹Does not include \$1,000 held in checking.

²Held in checking.

³Money Market opened for Convention proceeds.

The Bombarde Online

If you are willing to read *The Bombarde* online to save the chapter the cost of printing and mailing, please e-mail the editor Shawn Gingrich at bombarde@harrisburgago.com.

Welcome Manel Frau-Cortes

by Ruth Brommer

If you attended some of the AGO luncheons over the past year, you may have already met Manel Frau-Cortes. His diverse talents bring a unique flavor to the usual understanding of “organist” and of “member of the AGO”. Although playing the organ is not his full time profession, he does serve as organist at Bethany UMC in Marysville. He also plays guitar, ud, percussion and the recorder.



But let's go back to this man's beginnings. He was born on the Mediterranean island of Mallorca in Europe. He has studied music in Mallorca, Barcelona and Philadelphia, specializing in piano, classical harmony and counterpoint as well as jazz piano, percussion and saxophone.

Manel is a published translator and a music scholar, currently working on his doctorate. On his web site, (www.manelfrau.info), he describes himself as a musician, Hazzan (cantor), a researcher and an educator. To that he rightfully adds composer, arranger, producer and performer in styles as varied as folk, gospel, jazz fusion and New Age.

Combined with his work in and love of music is his career as a Hazzan, a cantor in a Jewish temple. He has a Master in Hebrew Linguistics from the University of Barcelona and a Master in Cantorial Arts and Jewish music from Gratz College in Philadelphia. His Cantorial Ordination was from the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, also in Philadelphia. Before coming to our area, he was the Hazzan at Temple B'nai Israel in Burlington, NJ. Currently he is serving as Hazzan at Temple Beth Shalom in Mechanicsburg. Two of his compositions have received awards at the Shalsholet International Festival.

On a more personal note, Manel is very interested in the holistic effects of music as well as in the history and transmission of melodies. He regularly performs Sephardic music and also offers workshops on music and Kabbalah, as well as the role of women and sex in Sephardic folklore. He has taught Hebrew Language at the Harrisburg Area Community College and is currently working as a music teacher at the Silver Academy Yeshiva of Harrisburg. He enjoys meditation, yoga, cooking and jewelry making in his spare time. He

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Welcome Manel Frau-Cortes
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lives with his partner and their cat.

A request for advice to those who are beginning their careers in church music brought forth these words:

Play from the heart. Try to find a piece that moves you, personally. Meditate on it, pray with it, and then work on the details. That makes the difference: your interpretation may be technically perfect and still fail to move others to worship. A simpler melody played from the heart can go so much farther.

Beautiful advice no matter what your faith or what your instrument may be.

News from the Education Committee

The Education is pleased to announce that funds have been designated to support adult educational opportunities made possible by the funds given from the estate of Ida Enck Throne. The education committee will be sponsoring workshops devoted to topics needed to prepare for the AGO certification exams including: hymn playing, transposition, anthem accompaniment, and improvisation. There will also be funds to help support students who wish to take private lessons in order to prepare the repertoire portions of the exams and scholarships to support the costs of the exams. Stay tuned for further information.

Positions Available

Organist/Choir Director: Greencastle Presbyterian Church, located in Greencastle, Pennsylvania, is searching for a classically trained musician with an appreciation for both traditional and contemporary worship. Responsible for directing choir and bells. Strong proficiency with organ and piano, and experience in a broad range of musical traditions. Applicants will be auditioned. Part-time salary of \$10,000 - \$12,000. For an application, please call the church office: 717-597-8333.

Organist/Choir Director: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, a vibrant and growing parish, is seeking a trained and experienced organist. This position will lead an adult choir and either a youth or bell choir. This is a 16 hr/week position and would be attractive to a student or flex-time candidate. The successful candidate should be available one-half day/week for staff meetings and funerals. Our music instrument is a three-manual Buch/Walker organ. Salary range is \$17,500 - \$19,000, based on training/experience. Interested candidates should send their resumes to: The Rev. Dr. David Robson, Rector, at djr6@comcast.net. The church number is (717) 843-3868.

Church Musician: St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Lewisburg, has an opening for a Church Musician who provides a vital presence in the weekly Sunday morning traditional worship celebration. Candidates shall demonstrate proficiency on organ/piano, ability to sight-read music, dependability, flexibility, and experience in Christian worship. Salary will be commensurate with performance ability and experience. A complete job description is available from the church office (570-524-5011, spumc@dejazzd.com). The Church Musician shall be responsible for selecting worship music, preparation, and involvement in the Sunday worship service, in addition to occasional worship services (i.e. Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Thanksgiving Eve, Christmas Eve). The Church Musician may be asked to accompany for weddings and funerals, as available, with additional compensation provided. Those interested will send a resume' to St. Paul's U.M. Church, 42 S. Fourth Street, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

Part Time Organist: Lewistown Presbyterian Church, 17 E. 3rd Street, Lewistown, Pa 17044. seeking a part time (8 hr./wk) musician proficient on piano and organ. Responsibilities include one Sunday morning worship service and special services during the year and rehearsing with the adult choir. Salary \$7000+ depending on qualifications. Please send resume to church or email to lewispre@comcast.net. attention Ruth Fisher. Church web site lewisownpresbyterian.org has additional information.

Organists: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church is looking for 2 organists, one to play an 8AM service, hymns only and one to play a 10:00AM service, hymns and service music and to direct the choir. The 8 AM service is conducted at our facility located at 19th and Market Street in Harrisburg and the 10 AM service is conducted at 4620 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg. Interested persons should contact St. Andrew's Church office at 717-657-8583 or the Rev. William Alford at 717-817-4744.

Music/Choir Director: St Peter Lutheran Church, 130 Nittany Dr, Mechanicsburg PA 17055. Salaried position. Responsibilities include: Directing Senior Choir for two Sunday morning services (September through early June) as well as other special worship events throughout the year.; rehearse the Senior Choir on Thursday evenings and just prior to the services on Sunday; arrange for special music for a single service on Sundays mid-June through Labor Day; direct and rehearse tone chime choir; select hymns and plan choral music in coordination with the liturgical season and pastor; work with the organist to manage music files. Candidate should possess some experience in choral direction or related music experience. Please send resume to stpeter@epix.net or to the church.

Area Events

Friday, December 2, 2011—7:00 PM

St. Luke Episcopal Church, 22 South Sixth Street, Lebanon. The Harmonia Club of Lebanon presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. For information visit hersheyhandbellensemble.org or call 717-298-7071.

Saturday, December 3, 2011—7:00 PM

Grace Lutheran Church, 220 North Charles Street, Red Lion presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. For information visit hersheyhandbellensemble.org or call 717-298-7071.

Sunday, December 4, 2011—11:00 AM

Music at Pine Street Presbyterian, 310 North Third Street, Harrisburg presents “Messiah” of George Frederick Handel – the Christmas portion as worship. The Choir of Pine Street Church with soloists Courtney Gray, soprano; Jonathan Hudson, tenor and counter-tenor and John Sharpe, bass with a festival orchestra, Thomas Clark-Jones conducting.

Sunday, December 4, 2011—3:00 PM

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 839 West Market Street, York presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. For information visit hersheyhandbellensemble.org or call 717-298-7071.

Sunday, December 4, 2011—5:00 PM

Church of the Good Shepherd, 3435 Trindle Road, Camp Hill presents Advent Vespers with Concert Prelude at 5:00pm followed by evening prayer at 5:30pm. Second Sunday of Advent featuring organist Beth Palmer, Organist and Music Director, St. Joan of Arc Parish, Hershey.

Wednesday, December 7, 2011—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill, PA, presents organist Steven Middernacht of First Lutheran Church in Carlisle in a Wednesday Noonday Organ Recital featuring members of the Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Light lunch served at the church before the recital 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM. A free-will offering will be received.

Sunday, December 11, 2011—3:00 PM

Fine Arts at First, First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle presents the Central Pennsylvania Symphony Orchestra with Cantate Carlisle in *A Celebration of Christmas With Symphony and Song*. The concert is free and open to all. A freewill offering will be received. For information, visit www.firstlutherancarlisle.org or call 717-249-3310.

Sunday, December 11, 2011—3:00 pm

Camp Hill United Methodist Church, 417 South 22nd Street, Camp Hill and Oasis Ministries for Spiritual Development, creating contemplative community since 1988, present the Lancaster Chamber Singers in

“Wondrous Mystery,” directed by Jay W. Risser. This concert will feature Jeffrey Van's carols for choir and classical guitar with Harrisburg guitarist, Anthony Derrico, as well as works by Poulenc, Sweelink, Rutter, and others. Doors open at 2:30 p.m., when the audience is invited to visit “Oasis Creations,” featuring artwork and crafts by members of the Oasis Community. Visit www.oasismin.org for further information and tickets. Tickets: \$15. Questions? Call 717-737-8222.

Sunday, December 11, 2011—3:00 PM

Messiah Village Chapel, 100 Mt. Allen Drive, Mechanicsburg presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. For information visit hersheyhandbellensemble.org or call 717-298-7071.

Sunday, December 11, 2011—4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents Christmas at Trinity. Adult, Youth and Children's Bell Choirs; Children's and Matins Choirs; FaithX Band; and the Chancel Choir and Orchestra presenting Saint Saens “Christmas Oratorio”. Free admission. Early seating suggested.

Sunday, December 11, 2011—4:00 PM

Saint Patrick Cathedral, 212 State Street, Harrisburg presents the fifth annual Festival of Lessons and Carols bringing together the Cathedral Choir, the Schola Cantorum of the Diocese of Harrisburg, and this year we also welcome the Bishop McDevitt High School Concert Choir. Featured soloists will include soprano Alexis E. Basehore and tenor Robert M. Goodrich. Following the traditional format as used at Kings College in London, there is a series of nine Lessons read by Lectors who represent the various parish ministries, interspersed with choral anthems and congregational carols. Accompanied by the Cathedral Sinfonia and under the baton of Mr. Nicholas Basehore, this annual musical festival is the perfect way to celebrate the Advent and Christmas seasons. A free-will offering will be taken at the door. \$10 per person is the requested donation, but your individual circumstances may allow you to give more or less.

Sunday, December 11, 2011—4:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 520 E Birch St, Palmyra presents Proclaim the Good News, a Christmas Celebration with a three-part Concert: Three talented organists playing the pipe organ, *The Living Crèche* (Cantata), Classical & Traditional Christmas songs. Participants will be the First Church Chancel Choir & Youth, Harrisburg Men's Chorus, LVC Students, Chamber Orchestra, and Avon Zion UMC all conducted by Tyler A. Canonico. For information visit www.pfumc.us.

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Sunday, December 11, 2011—5:00 PM

Church of the Good Shepherd, 3435 Trindle Rd, Camp Hill presents Advent Vespers with Concert Prelude at 5:00pm followed by evening prayer at 5:30pm. Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete featuring Te Deum Singers, Lancaster, Gregorian chant, Philip Crnkovich, director.

Thursday, December 15, 2011—8:00 PM

Messiah College, Grantham presents a Christmas Concert with Four Celtic Voices in Miller Auditorium of Climenhaga Fine Arts Center. For tickets call 717-691-6036 or visit messiah.edu/culturalseries.

Sunday, December 18, 2011—5:00 PM

Church of the Good Shepherd, 3435 Trindle Road, Camp Hill presents Advent Vespers with Concert Prelude at 5:00pm followed by evening prayer at 5:30pm. Fourth Sunday of Advent featuring *Seasons* Advent music for harp and hammered dulcimer with Members of the Lee Family.

Sunday, December 18, 2011—4:00 PM

Music at Pine Street Presbyterian, 310 North Third Street, Harrisburg presents A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols. The Choir and handbell choir of Pine Street with carols of the season and congregational singing of all the Christmas favorites.

Sunday, December 18, 2011—4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents the Susquehanna Chorale in "A Candlelight Christmas."

Sunday, December 18, 2011—7:30 PM

St. Luke Episcopal Church, 22 South Sixth Street, Lebanon presents Christmas Lessons and Carols sung by the Singing Boys of Pennsylvania., K. Bernard Schade, conductor. A free-will offering will be received.

Wednesday, January 4, 2012—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill, PA, presents organist Chelsea Barton, student at Eastman School of Music, in a Wednesday Noonday Organ Recital featuring members of the Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Light lunch served at the church before the recital 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM A free-will offering will be received.

Sunday, January 8, 2012—5:00 PM

St. Luke Episcopal Church, 22 South Sixth Street, Lebanon presents Epiphany Lessons and Carols and Concert by The Silverwood Trio. Free-will offering.

Sunday, January 29, 2012—5:00 PM

Church of the Redeemer, 5603 N. Charles Street, Baltimore presents Ken Cowan, organist. This is an event of the Baltimore Chapter AGO.

Wednesday, February 1, 2012—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill, PA, presents organist Brian Rotz of St. John's Episcopal Church in Carlisle in a Wednesday Noonday Organ Recital featuring members of the Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Light lunch served at the church before the recital 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM A free-will offering will be received.

Friday, February 10, 2012—7:30 PM

Music at Pine Street Presbyterian, 310 North Third Street, Harrisburg presents Love Songs for Valentines. The popular offering of the last few seasons featuring choir members and friends in both choral and solo renditions of great Broadway and Hollywood favorites. Dessert and coffee are served at the intermission ... a great cabaret night! Tickets - \$10.00.

**Letter from AGO
Executive Director**

Dear Shirley et al.,

Please accept my hearty thanks for your exceptional efforts in producing a magnificent and financially rewarding convention in Harrisburg this past summer. I recently had occasion to review the results of your many years of planning and sterling execution while participating in a meeting last weekend of the Committee on Regional Conventions. It brought home to me how brilliantly you managed this "Capital Event." Your fundraising and financial reporting were absolutely the best, and your focused use of regional talent was exemplary. I also appreciate your many recommendations for ways that headquarters could improve its support of regional conventions as well as your suggestion that future conventions use RegOnline.

Thanks, everyone, for a super job. You and every member of your Steering Committee have every right to be proud of your achievements. It seems abundantly clear to me that you not only met but exceeded the expectations of the 200 participants from Region III as well as the many others who traveled from beyond your region to take part in your convention.

All best,
James E. Thomashower
Executive Director
American Guild of Organists

"Paying it Forward" – A Letter to Convention 2013

14 November 2011

Dear AGO Colleagues in Winchester:

On behalf of the Board of the Harrisburg AGO Chapter, we write to wish you well as you plan for the Region III convention in Winchester. We know how much time, effort and careful planning it takes to host a regional convention and can already imagine where you are in the process of working on your program and budget for two years down the road.

Our program book acknowledged a generous grant to our convention from the Ohio Valley AGO Chapter (that disbanded a few years ago). It seemed especially appropriate to designate their funds to events that focused primarily on young organists – *The Future of the AGO*. This early seed-money was helpful in our cash-flow and helped us cover some critical expenses before other contributions and registration revenue came in. Blessed with many generous individuals and a strong registration base, we were able to end with a significant profit for our chapter at the conclusion of our convention.

In the spirit of the AGO, and in appreciation for the good will and very generous support we experienced from the Tidewater Chapter and the grant from the Ohio Valley Chapter, our board has voted to send the Winchester Convention Steering Committee a grant for \$5,000. Based on the preliminary information shared, we understand that the 2013 Region III Convention also plans to focus significant attention on young organists, which we believe is important if the AGO is to continue to thrive. It is our hope that if your convention also concludes with a profit, that your chapter will consider being part of this on-going "new tradition" and reciprocate our action with a contribution to the next Region III convention. We hope that through this action, we can continue to build a strong collegial and supportive professional organization within the AGO.

Again, we wish you well and look forward to joining you in Winchester in July 2013.

Ralph Kneeream, Dean
Harrisburg AGO Chapter

Shirley S. King, Coordinator
2011 Region III Convention

Minutes of the August Executive Committee Meeting

Harrisburg Chapter AGO Meeting of Officers, Board of Directors, and Chairpersons
August 9, 2011, 7:00 PM., Trinity Lutheran, Camp Hill

Present: Rev. Steven Middernacht, Brian Rotz, Beth Palmer, Nicholas Basehore, Mary Jane Nelson, Dr. Ralph Kneeream, Charles Yocum, Deborah Dillane, Brian Rice, Tim Koch, Shawn Gingrich, Anna Royer, Fr. James Lease, Julie Jones, Ellen Hunt, Kenneth C. Walker, Dr. Shirley King (ex-officio). Excused: Dr. Robert Lau, Doris Savage, Thomas Notestine, Ryan Brunkhurst.

Fr. James Lease, Chaplain, provided the Invocation based on Psalm 34. The Dean introduced the new Board Members: Ellen Hunt, Beth Palmer, and Brian Rotz. Minutes of the February 8, 2011, meeting were approved with corrections to the spelling of Middernacht, and Sophia Delizia St. John-Brainerd on a motion by Mary Jane Nelson and a second by Julie Jones. Minutes of the Annual Meeting and Banquet of May 10, 2011, were approved with corrections to the spelling of Wigand on a motion by Shawn Gingrich and a second by Rev. Steven Middernacht. The Annual Audit Report was approved on a motion by Anna Royer and a second by Deborah Dillane. The

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January Jumpstart

Every January, the Philadelphia AGO Chapter joins with co-sponsoring AGO Chapters from seven nearby areas, and presents an entire day of workshops—anthem reading sessions, organ repertoire sessions, choral and organ technique, the AGO Exams, and many more.

This is the ninth January Jumpstart to be held on the expansive campus of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church as a multi-chapter event.

This entire day on Saturday, January 14, 2012 from 8:00AM - 4:00PM is **FREE for AGO members** and only \$30 for Non-AGO registrants (or join the AGO!). The only cost is \$15 for the luncheon (you can even brown-bag lunch and just join us at the luncheon tables.)

It is a wonderful day to join up with colleagues after the crush of December music. There is an onsite music store filled with resources and recommendations by our presenters, and an inspiring worship service before we all break bread together. If you have never been here, you must come, and bring a friend.

Our very special keynote speaker for this January will be Dr. Eileen Guenther, National President of the American Guild of Organists (AGO), who will be joined by her own clergy partner, Dr. Carol Cook Moore, also of Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C., and together they will lead us through "Creative, Collaborative Worship Planning," "Clergy/Musician Relations and Challenges," and "The Clergy-Musician Dialogue."

Susan Petura

Coordinator for January Jumpstart 2012

Philadelphia Chapter of the
American Guild of Organists
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610-247-8598 (Cell)

For a copy of the complete brochure with registration info visit our chapter website or contact Shawn Gingrich for a hard copy. Email bombarde@harrisburgago.com or call 717-877-8554.

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Treasurer's report was filed to audit.

Dr. Shirley King, Co-ordinator of our Regional Convention, presented a very positive report on the convention. She also expressed thanks for the work of the Steering Committee and all who helped with the success of the Convention. A report on the Convention will be published in The Bombarde and presented by Dr. King at our September meeting.

A Finance Committee has been formed. The Dean reported that the past year was certainly a banner year for our Chapter with the Regional Convention the bequest of \$10,000 for scholarships from the Ida Enck Throne estate, the Cassell scholarship award, the Shenk scholarship awards and the Charles Yocum scholarship award.

The report of the Sub-Dean indicated that programs for the coming year are on track and proceeding well.

The Chaplain reported on his duties of the past year. Shawn Gingrich, Bombarde Editor, restated that the 15th of the month is the deadline for submission of materials for each month. There will be no student competition until 2013. August 28, 2011, will be the date of the recital for the Shenk Scholarship winners at First UM Church in Hershey. On a motion by Mary Jane Nelson and a second by Ellen Hunt \$100 will be given toward the August 28 program. Charles Yocum, Historian and chair of the Archives Committee, presented a written report. It was announced that this is the eleventh year of the Lunch Bunch meetings. Tim Koch, chair of the Placement Committee, reported that there are presently eight openings listed and updates are on the website. The Professional Development Committee is scheduled to meet. The report from the Registrar indicates that there are 98 renewals to membership at the present time. Mary Jane Nelson, Publicity, reported that items have been sent to The American Organists magazine on past programs including the report on our Regional Convention. She requests that you let her know if you see the publication of Chapter news and events on the local level. The Board acknowledges the great job done for the Regional Convention by Dr. King, the Steering Committee, and the host sites for the programs on a motion by Anna Royer and a second by Deborah Dillane.

Tabled as Old Business for the next meeting: Board Members participation on the Committees.

Next Meetings: Tuesday, November 8, 2011, and Tuesday, February 7, 2012, at Trinity Lutheran, Camp Hill, at 7:00 p.m. Date and location of the May Annual Meeting and Banquet to be announced.

Kenneth C. Walker, Secretary

Fine Arts at First

Central Pennsylvania Symphony and Cantate Carlisle



Cheung Chau conducting the Central Pennsylvania Symphony

Central Pennsylvania Symphony will be joined by Cantate Carlisle in a joyous family holiday concert, *A Celebration of Christmas With Symphony and Song*, for the *Fine Arts at First Artist Series* at First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle on Sunday, December 11 at 3:00 PM. The program will include a festival of favorite symphonic and Christmas music, including *Away In a Manger*, *I Saw Three Ships*, *Carol of the Bells*, Copland's *Hoe Down*, Strauss's *Thunder and Lightning Polka*, selections from Rimsky Korsakov's *Christmas Eve Suite*, Berlin's *White Christmas*, *In the Bleak Midwinter*, *Sleigh Ride*, *Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas*, and many others. The audience will be invited to join the musicians in Strauss's *Radetzky March* and Wade's *Sing Along*. The performance is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be received, and a dessert reception will follow the concert. For information, contact the church, 717-249-3310, or visit www.firstlutherancarlisle.org.

Advent Vespers, 2011

Church of the Good Shepherd

3435 Trindle Road, Camp Hill

5:00 p.m. - Prelude

5:30 p.m. - Evening Prayer (Vespers)

November 27, 2011 (First Sunday of Advent)

Croatian Choir and Tamburitians,
Prince of Peace Parish, Steelton, PA

Rick Vukmanic, director

December 4, 2011 (Second Sunday of Advent)

Beth Palmer, Organist and Music Director,
St. Joan of Arc Parish, Hershey, PA

December 11, 2011 (Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete)

Te Deum Singers, Lancaster, PA

Gregorian chant, Philip Crnkovich, director

December 18, 2011 (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

Seasons (Advent music for harp and hammered dulcimer)

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Save the Date...

Sunday, February 26, 2012 at 3:00 P.M.
Miller Chapel, Lebanon Valley College

A recital by Richard Elliott, principal organist at the Mormon Tabernacle.
There is a charge for this recital.

Also, a master class will be offered on Saturday to which all AGO chapter members are invited. This is free to AGO members.

More details will be forthcoming.

Hershey Handbell Ensemble in Holiday Concerts



The fourteen-member Hershey Handbell Ensemble under the direction of Shawn Gingrich will perform four public Christmas concerts. We invite you to attend.

- ◆ Friday, December 2 at 7:00pm at St. Luke Episcopal Church, 600 South 6th St (corner of Sixth and Chestnut Streets), Lebanon.
- ◆ Saturday, December 3 at 7:00pm at Grace Lutheran Church, 220 North Charles Street, Red Lion.
- ◆ Sunday, December 4 at 3:00pm at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 839 West Market Street, York.
- ◆ Sunday, December 11 at 3:00pm at Messiah Village, 100 Mount Allen Drive Mechanicsburg.

Regional Convention Recordings Available

CDs from the Regional Convention are now available to members. The following CDs are available, at \$5 each:

1. Opening Festival Service.
2. Tuesday's Morning Prayer at Pine Street Presbyterian.
3. Rhonda Sider Edgington's Recital in York Springs.
4. Mark Laubach's Recital at Pine Street Presbyterian.
5. Marcos Krieger's Recital at First UMC Hershey.
6. *Shelly Moorman-Stahlman's Recital at LVC's Miller Chapel.
7. Sampler, which contains pieces performed by:
John Tuttle
William Wisnom
Caroline Robinson
Thomas Sheehan
Rhonda Edgington(2)
Mark Laubach(2)
Marcos Krieger
Shirley King
Shelly Moorman-Stahlman

*Shelly Moorman-Stahlman would like to have requests for her Recital CD be sent to her at moorman@lvc.edu.

For more information or to request a CD contact Rick Zentmeyer by email rzentmeyer@verizon.net or phone at 717-533-8421.



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