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The Bombarde

American Guild of Organists – Harrisburg Chapter



From the Dean

Whew! I think that's how you spell that deep sigh of relief. For me that reflects my feeling during the twelve days of Christmas. I do pray that you had wonderful celebrations for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Best wishes for a fruitful and happy New Year!

The last call for responses to attend January Jumpstart is below. Act immediately if you plan to attend. Also, please consider participating in the February Members Recital of Organ Music for Lent. The details are highlighted on page 2.

Pax vobiscum,
Shawn Gingrich

January Event

IMMEDIATE RESPONSE IS NEEDED

To attend you must RSVP by 12/28. See details below.

Harrisburg Chapter will attend January JumpStart with Philadelphia Chapter at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Avenue, Bryn Mawr on Saturday, January 14, 2017. Lunch will be provided. RSVP with your intent to attend by Wednesday, December 28. Contact Brett Terry at (717) 238-9304 or bterry@pinestreet.org with your name and whether you wish to carpool.

The featured artist for 2017 is **Dr. Craig Phillips**, renowned composer and Director of Music and Composer-in-Residence at All Saints' Episcopal Church in Beverly Hills, California.

Schedule

8:30 AM-9:30 AM

Registration ◊ Coffee and scones ◊ Young's Music Store (open until 4:30) ◊ Swap table for Organ Music Only (registration lobby)

9:30 AM-10:20 AM - Session I

10:30 AM-11:20 AM - Session II

11:30 AM-12:20 PM - Session III

12:30-2:00 PM - Lunch

2:00 PM-2:50 PM - Session IV

3:00 PM-3:50 PM - Session V

4:00 PM - Coffee/Tea/Cookies ◊ Young's Music Store

4:30 PM - Festive Closing Celebration featuring Craig Phillips, Organ Music for Congregation, Choirs, Organ, and Brass

Presenters and Sessions

Dr. Craig Phillips, Organist and Composer, Director of Music, All Saints' Episcopal Church, Beverly Hills.

Organ repertoire

Choral repertoire

Dr. Ryan Kelly, Choral Director, West Chester Univ.

Repertoire for Smaller Choirs (includes a packet of anthems)

Uplifting Their Spirits and Sounds: Techniques for Nurturing Volunteer Singers

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The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to enrich lives through organ and choral music. To achieve this, we:

- Encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music;
- Inspire, educate, and offer certification for organists and choral conductors;
- Provide networking, fellowship, and mutual support;
- Nurture future generations of organists;
- Promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles; and
- Engage wider audiences with organ and choral music.

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Dr. Ronald Hemmel, Westminster Choir College

*Two sessions demonstrating programs you can use in your teaching or ministry:
Garage Band & MainStage*

Gloria Bracy, Financial Consultant and Member of the Philadelphia Chapter Finance Committee

*Managing Your Department Finances
Personal Financial Management for the Musician*

Dr. Michael Krentz - Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia

500 Years of the Lutheran Tradition (2 sessions)

Kathleen Scheide, Westminster Choir College; Philadelphia AGO

*Executive Committee; Church of the Loving Shepherd
Interpreting Ornamentation*

Jeffrey Brillhart, Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church & Yale Un.

Conducting from the Console

Sándor Kádár, FAGO, First Presbyterian Church of West Chester;

*Chairman of Philadelphia's Education Committee and Member of
Executive Committee*

Introductory Skills for Improvisation

*Sándor will also be available at 4PM to answer questions about
AGO Examinations*

Suzanne du Plantis, Soloist and Voice Coach

*Singing for Life (working with voices at all ages) - 2 sessions - includes repertoire
suggestions*

James Weaver – Organ Historical Society

*Mr. Weaver will speak about the Society's move to Stoneleigh in Villanova, and
the ties between AGO and OHS*

David Schaap – Selah Publishing

Choral Repertoire by Craig Phillips

David will include his view of what publishers are looking for in new music.

**Harrisburg Chapter is a supporting
chapter of this event.**

Lunch Bunch

Our next luncheon will be held on Wednesday, January 11th at 11:30 a.m. in the Bridges Café at the Radisson in Camp Hill. Please email or phone Doris Savage no later than Monday, January 9th if you plan to attend. Email dorisagohbg@comcast.net or telephone (717) 697-4042.

POE+ Success Story

I thought you'd like to know that I was hired for the position of Director of Music Ministries at Avon Congregational Church. The church dates back to 1819 and it is the quintessential postcard New England church with the white steeple. I am not quite sure how I got hired but I had second interviews with three churches back in September and I picked this one. That was after doing a two-month stint at the Cathedral in downtown Hartford where I was "the best organist they had in months!" How'd that happen?

A lot of my success is thanks to you!

Wishing you joyous holidays,
Dianne Rechel

Upcoming Programs

**Saturday, January 14 – 8:30 am–
5:30 pm** January JumpStart, Focusing on the music of Craig Phillips. Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Ave, Bryn Mawr.

**Tuesday, February 7 – 6:00 pm
dinner; 7:00 pm concert**

“Organ Music for Lent” Chapter Members’ Recital. Dinner is \$10 per person. St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, 121 North Spring Street, Middletown. Joyce Gerstenlauer, host

NOTE: If you would like to perform, please send your program information including your name as you would like it to appear, composition title, opus number (if applicable), composer’s name, and composer’s life dates, to Brett Terry at BTerry@pinestreet.org by

Tuesday, January 24.

We only have one person registered to play. Please consider participating.

**Make your dinner
reservations now**

The meal will be provided by the church. Please send your reservation in the form of a check made payable to the Harrisburg Chapter AGO for \$10 per attendee to Phyllis Conrad, 216 Karinch Street, Lebanon, PA 17042. **The deadline for dinner reservations is Tuesday, January 31.**

Saturday, March 18 – 9:30 am

“Tips for Substitute Organists and the People Who Hire Them” Karen Appel and Robert Lau, presenters. St. John’s Lutheran Church, 44 W. Main Street, Shiremanstown, Tom Notestine, host.

Annual Banquet Monday, May 15, 2017 at Harmony Hall, 1400 Fulling Mill Road, Middletown. Details will be forthcoming.

New Music

Robert Lau's just released *Lamb of God Most Holy* is a collection of five postludes for Lent. All are based on hymns of the season. The collection is published by MorningStar Music Publishers (Code10-372).

Treasurer's Report

by Rick Zentmeyer

Balance in Checking as of 11/1/2016	\$3,508.89
Checks:	\$522.37
Debits:	\$14.95
Deposits & Credits:	\$109.50
Balance in Checking as of 11/30/2016	\$3,081.07

Invested Funds as of 11/1/2016

Harrisburg AGO Savings*	\$54,202.53
Frances Bishop Bequest	\$126,455.07
Total	\$180,657.60

Invested Funds as of 11/30/2016

Harrisburg AGO Savings*	\$54,216.41
Frances Bishop Bequest	\$126,558.72
Total	\$180,775.13

*Harrisburg AGO Savings Includes:

Cassel Competition Fund	\$5,093.74
Clapper-Fryinger Bequests	\$6,112.11
Reserve Savings	\$22,716.12
Savings Interest **	\$40.80
Shenk Scholarship Fund	\$2,662.22
Stahle Savings	\$723.78
Throne Fund	\$8,080.85
Yocum Scholarship Fund	\$8,786.79

** Savings Interest will be kept in new Asset Account "Reserve Savings Interest", and will be split up among the other funds at the end of the fiscal year (Jun 2017). This will allow us to share the income with all named funds, but not have to do the split every month.

Plan ahead ...

June 25 – 28, 2017 Mid-Atlantic Regional Convention in Richmond, Virginia. For complete details visit <http://2017.richmondago.org/>.

Mary Jane Nelson will be attending this convention to represent Harrisburg Chapter. Let Mary Jane know if you also plan to attend.

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Archivist Report

For the season of 1962/1963

As reported in the Board Minutes, the search for the missing records did not result in finding anything for the time period. Thanks to Esther Long for sending materials to be added to the archives.

From the Year Book for 1962/1963:

Dean, Mrs. Robert Jones; Sub Dean, Charles M. Yocum, Jr.; Secretary, Mrs. M. Lee Loser; Registrar, Miss Sarah E. Stauffer; Auditors, Miss Mildred E. Johnson, Mrs. Viola Silvernail; Chaplain, The Venerable Kermit L. Lloyd.

September 18, Trinity Lutheran Church, Mechanicsburg—Covered Dish Supper and Anthem Reading Session followed by a Business Session and Vacation Echoes.

October 9, Salem United Church Of Christ—The Ephrata Cloister Chorus. This was a public meeting included in the 175th anniversary of Salem Church.

October 20, Tour of Tannenburg Organ Museum, First Presbyterian Church, First Lutheran Church in York in the afternoon. Supper at Baer's Cafeteria.

November 18, Grace Methodist Church State and Susquehanna Streets—Guild Festival Service Honoring Past Deans.

December 15, Annual Christmas Party at the home of Dean Edith Jones at 3648 Brisban Street, Paxtang.

January 22, 1963, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 217 Front Street, Recital by Alec Wyton, Organist and Choirmaster, Cathedral of St. John The Divine, NYC.

February 26, Messiah Lutheran Church, 6th and Forster Streets—Organ and Other Instruments.

March 26, First E. U. B. Church, Corner W. Main and Railroad Sts, Hummelstown, Organ Music for the Church Year.

April 16, Derry Street E. U. B. Church, Fifteenth and Derry Streets—Guild Exams.

May 7, Pine Street United Presbyterian Church—Annual Business Meeting with a program on Evaluating Church Music.

May 19, Trinity Lutheran Church, 1935 Market Street, Camp Hill—Junior Choir Festival.

June 4, Colonial Park UCC—Annual Banquet and Election of Officers.

Ken Walker,
Archivist

Area Events Listing

Sunday, January 15, 2017—3:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents organist Alexander Ashman in recital. (Inclement weather date is January 22). A free -will offering will be received.

Sunday, January 15, 2017—6:00 PM

St. Luke Episcopal Church, Sixth and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon presents a Festal Evensong and Concert by Lydia Klinger, flute; Alisa Stine, harp; and Esther Dell, piano.

Saturday, January 21, 2017—8:00 PM

Cathedral Parish of Saint Patrick, 212 State Street, Harrisburg presents the Maryland State Boychoir in concert.

Wednesday, February 1, 2017—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist Sean McCarthy in recital. A light lunch will be served before the program at 11:45am. For information contact the church (717) 737-0488 or office@thechpc.org.

Sunday, February 5, 2017—3:00 PM

Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 North 3rd St, Harrisburg presents a concert entitled "The Wind," featuring the Manor Winds Quintet.

Friday, February 10, 2017—7:00 PM

St. Luke Episcopal Church, Sixth and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon presents a Recognition of Valentine's Day with a Recital by mezzo-soprano Gwendolyn Bowers.

Sunday, February 12, 2017—3:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents pianist William Hume with cellist Paul Bergeron in recital. A free-will offering will be received.

Sunday, February 19, 2017—4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents the Harrisburg Youth Symphony and Junior Strings in concert. Come and enjoy the next generation of fine musicians! This concert is free.

Sunday, February 26, 2017—3:30 PM

Cathedral Parish of Saint Patrick, 212 State Street, Harrisburg presents Voices of the Valley and Essence of Joy in concert

Sunday, February 26, 2017—6:00 PM

St. Luke Episcopal Church, Sixth and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon presents a Festal Evensong sung by Saint Luke's Festival Choir and featuring a Guest Preacher.

Wednesday, March 8, 2017—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist Dan Stokes in recit-

al. A light lunch will be served before the program at 11:45am. For information contact the church (717) 737-0488 or office@thechpc.org.

Sunday, March 19, 2017—4:00 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents singer / guitarist Charlie Zahm in a concert of Celtic, Maritime, and Traditional American music. For information contact the church (717) 737-0488 or office@thechpc.org.

Sunday, March 19, 2017—6:00 PM

St. Luke Episcopal Church, Sixth and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon presents a Solemn Evensong and Organ Recital by Jonathan Stark, Organist of Zion Lutheran Church, Bristol, PA.

Sunday, April 2, 2017—4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut St, Camp Hill presents Mozart's Requiem featuring the Church Concert Choir, soloists and orchestra. This concert is free.

Wednesday, April 5, 2017—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist Brenda Leach in recital. A light lunch will be served before the program at 11:45am. For information contact the church (717) 737-0488 or office@thechpc.org.

Sunday, April 23, 2017—3:00 PM

First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle presents the Carlisle Town Band in concert. Sponsored by Fine Arts at First, the concert is free and open to all. A freewill offering will be received. 717-249-3310 www.firstlutherancarlisle.org.

Sunday, April 23, 2017—6:00 PM

St. Luke Episcopal Church, Sixth and Chestnut Streets, Lebanon presents a Festal Evensong and Concert by Paula Maust, Harpsichord and Soprano Voice.

Saturday, April 29, 2017—7:30 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents Harrisburg Singers. Join the Harrisburg Singers in a concert of Disney Classics. Trinity Concert Series Patrons get free tickets. Contact the church office for tickets (717) 737-8635.

Sunday, April 30, 2017—3:00 PM

St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral, 221 N. Front Street, Harrisburg presents Mass in Time of War by Franz Joseph Haydn featuring the choirs of Pine Street, Market Square, and St. Stephens.

Sunday, April 30, 2017—4:00 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents the Messiah College Concert Choir. For information contact the church (717) 737-0488 or office@thechpc.org.

News from National: AGO Salary Guidelines and Contracts

As you may know, the AGO has been negotiating for many months with the Federal Trade Commission to settle a complaint that the FTC initiated in 2015 alleging that the Guild may be violating Federal antitrust laws. Our negotiations with the Federal Trade Commission have now concluded, and with the approval of the National Council we are poised to execute a Settlement Agreement with the FTC thereby avoiding litigation of their complaint in Federal court. This agreement prescribes many steps that the Guild must undertake. Among them are discontinuing the publication of our salary guidelines and model contract provisions and removing them from our website.

AGO National Headquarters will discontinue all circulation of salary guidelines and model contract provisions. All chapters need to begin the process of compliance as well. Salary guidelines and model contract provisions from national and all local variations thereof that your chapter has promulgated should be removed from your chapter website, newsletter, or other publications, and you must no longer reference them or circulate them to AGO members, churches, or the public.

We will be sending all AGO leaders many more details about the terms of the settlement in the weeks to come, but we want to give you advance notice of the imminent execution of the agreement so that you can begin to plan for it and share the news with your members.

Best regards,
Michael Bedford
President

James E. Thomashower
Executive Director

Positions Available

Organist: Shiremanstown United Methodist Church is seeking applicants for a part-time organist. Piano and organ skills are required. Responsibilities include playing for vocal and instrumental rehearsals and for sanctuary worship service on Sunday mornings as well as any additional services, ca. 5 hours per week. Salary is \$10,000. Send cover letter, resume, three (3) references, salary history and requirements to: Shiremanstown United Methodist Church, C/O Ken Baer, Administrator, 125 E. Main St., Shiremanstown, PA 17011.

Organist: St. Mark Lutheran Church, Hanover PA., is seeking an organist to lead worship on Sundays at our 9:00am traditional service of Holy Communion. Additional special services throughout the year are Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, some Lenten times as needed, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. The organist under the leadership of the Director of Music, would also accompany the choir during weekly Thursday night rehearsals from 7-8:30pm, from mid-September to mid-May. St. Mark is blessed with a wonderful 1914 J.W. Steere/1958 M.P. Moller Pipe Organ. A new, four manual console was installed by the R.J. Brunner company in 2010, and is a pleasure to play. For more information concerning our church, contacting us or details and pictures of the organ please go to our website at www.stmarkhanover.org.

Organist: Opening Beginning January 2017, St Paul's UM Church Elizabethtown seeking organist to accompany Sunday AM service. Must have excellent organ and piano performance skills of differing styles, be able to improvise and embellish accompaniments as needed. Resumes can be sent to office@spumcetown.com. Please contact the church office for a job description and with questions at (717) 367-1889.

Organist: Hanover area church is looking for a Church Organist (1-2 services per month). Pay is based on experience. Send resume to: Trinity United Church of Christ, 116 York St, Hanover, PA17331.

Choir Accompanist: Grace United Methodist Church, Hummelstown. The purpose of the Church Choir Accompanist is to provide accompaniment for the Chancel Choir on a regular basis. Salaried, part-time, previous experience accompanying church music, both traditional and contemporary desired. See the full job description in the positions section of the chapter website or visit the church website at gracehummelstown.org.

Director of Music Ministries: St. Jacob's Lutheran Church, Glen Rock, PA. We are a growing congregation with a new facility, including a lovely sanctuary with great acoustics. Our instruments include a three manual Allen organ and a grand piano. We are seeking a Director of Music Ministries who will serve Christ and his Church in ways that are both faithful to tradition and innovative. The Director's duties include playing for two services on Sunday mornings as well as occasional services like those of Holy Week and funerals and weddings. In addition, he or she will direct an adult and a children's choir, work with the pastor planning worship over the course of the Church year, and build on the congregation's present music ministries. This is a part-time position with a competitive salary. Email resume and references to stjacobs@comcast.net or contact Pastor Paula Murray at 717-817-3165.

Part-time Organist/ Leader of Music Ministry: This position is available at St. James Lutheran Church, Lebanon. Offers an opportunity to: work collaboratively in worship planning, use your talents and gifts to lead our congregation in weekly worship, work with a small, multigenerational choir, have creative opportunities to work with other musicians in the Lebanon Lutheran Cooperative Ministry to plan and participate in multi-congregational services and events throughout the year. For more information call 717-272-5563. Send resume or letter of interest to 53 Chestnut St., Lebanon PA 17042 or email stjames15@verizon.net.

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