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American Guild of Organists — Harrisburg Chapter



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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From the Dean

"What a wonderful presentation...so many great ideas." "The program was extremely helpful." "I never thought of my voice in quite those ways." "I wish I had been given this information twenty-five years ago."

These are just a few of the comments that I received about our November program on healthy singing. Some 80 persons were on hand that Saturday morning, and many of those were NOT Guild members. Dr. Brenda Smith led us all through helpful and healthful exercises and analogies, all with the intent of making folks of any age better singers. It was a great and insightful morning, and special thanks are extended to Robert Lau, Tim Koch, and Ralph Kneeream for making the program the success that it was.

If you are looking for an end-of-the-year tax deduction, why not consider making a donation to the chapter's Regional Convention. The committee responsible of obtaining gifts and/or grants is already hard at work seeking funding for the 2011 event. Most members of the Chapter Board, as well as members of the Convention Steering Committee have already made contributions that will go far to cover the expenses of the convention. A tax deductible contribution will be most appreciated. Checks in any amount should be made out to *Region III Convention 2011*, and sent to PO Box 247, Harrisburg, PA 17108.

It is with honor and pride that I announce to you that Chapter member Dr. Shirley King has been nominated by the National Nominating Committee for the position of National Vice-President. The Harrisburg Chapter is indeed fortunate to have Shirley in our midst. All of us should thank Shirley for her untiring work of and for the Guild. Look for her name to appear on the national ballot next spring. Congratulations, Shirley!

Here's wishing each of you a splendid Christmas celebration. May all of you preparations come off without a hitch. Don't forget to be inspired by the live broadcast of the Service of Nine Lessons and Carols from Kings College, Cambridge at 10:00 am on December 24th on WITF Radio.

Arnold Sten

Dean





Monthly Lunch Bunch

I hope those of you who attend the luncheons or those planning to come for the first time can break away from your demanding December schedule to join us at the luncheon on Wednesday December 9th at 11:30 a.m. in the Bridges Café at the Radisson, Camp Hill. Please phone Doris Savage at 697-4042 or

email at dorisagohbg@comcast.net no later than Monday, December 7^{th} if you plan to attend.

Treasurer's Report

Cash in Bank as of 9/30/2009	\$ 6,979.55
Disbursements (-) Receipts (+)	\$ 643.25 \$ 184.00
Cash in Bank as of 10/31/2009	\$ 6,520.30
Total Invested Funds:	
Cassel Award	\$ 6,245.28
Stahle Award	\$ 1,099.84
Yocum Scholarship	\$ 2,067.96
Evens Memorial Fund	\$ 6,762.08
General CD	\$ 6,813.09

A total of \$126.00 was received at the November Workshop.

The Bombarde Online

Please e-mail Shawn Gingrich at <shawn.gingrich@firstumchershey.org> if you would like to sign up to receive *The Bombarde* on line.

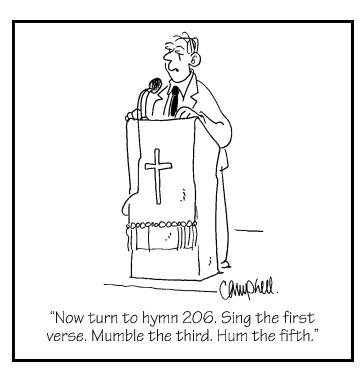
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A.G.O. Long-Range Planning Survey

On Thursday morning, November 19, the Task Force on Long-Range Planning distributed a survey by blast email to all members of the American Guild of Organists. All members of the AGO with e-mail addresses on file at National Headquarters have received an invitation to complete the online survey. Within 24 hours of its release, more than 1,500 members had completed that form.

The Task Force has been working for many months to develop and refine this survey. Results from this survey will be used to create plans for the important work of the AGO in the second decade of the 21st century. To optimize the value of this process, it is vitally important that all AGO members complete and submit this survey in a timely manner. Survey results will be communicated to the entire Guild membership during the early months of 2010.

The Task Force hopes every member, every chapter, and every region of the AGO to be fully represented in this process. The deadline for all submissions is December 31. The survey is available online at: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=ZZNu9JDbpveQB8rzz1CenQ~3d~3d.





The Philadelphia, Delaware, Lancaster, Lehigh Valley, Southeastern Pennsylvania, Southwest Jersey, Reading, and York Chapters of the American Guild of Organists Present

JANUARY JUMPSTART 2010

A workshop for the church musician seeking new ideas for a new year.

Saturday, January 16, 2010 from 8:15 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Ave, Bryn Mawr, PA

2010!! Where have those last 10 years gone? It's definitely time for that January "transfusion" of new ideas, exciting literature, old friends, new friends, and a gourmet luncheon together. So bundle up and join us on a blustery mid-January Saturday – this is our gift to all of you for your dedication to churches throughout the land. Venite to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church!

This January, right after the morning workshop sessions, we will gather together in that beautiful sanctuary and lift our voices in praise to God. The Service of Morning Prayer will be led by The Reverend Dr. Thomas Troeger, Yale Divinity School, and Dr. John Walker, Peabody Institute. Dr. Troeger's message for us all will be "The Perfect Registration" – the interrelationship between word and music. And the preaching, the organ music, and the singing will be magnificent!

The morning and afternoon workshop sessions will be packed with talented presenters from across our region. They will be sharing their favorites, the Best of the Best (organ, choral, and handbell music), teaching us new techniques, elevating our expectations with new challenges, and inspiring us with new visions in our common mission as church musicians. Read on for the January Feast:

SCHEDULE:

8:15 – 8:45 Registration, coffee, doughnuts

Throughout the day.. Music Display by Young's Music Store, Whitehall, PA

8:45 – 10:00 Workshop Session #1 Walker, Krentz, Mau (Basics), Troeger, Fields.

10:15 – 11:30 Workshop Session #2 Elwell, Furniss, Fraley, Schelat, Barr, Fleckenstein

11:45 – 12:15 WORSHIP SERVICE: Dr. Thomas Troeger and Dr. John Walker. Sermon: "The Perfect Registration"

12:15 - 1:15 LUNCHEON

1:15 - 2:30 Workshop Session #3 Walker, Krentz, Mau (experienced), Schelat, Fields, Geist

2:45 – 4:00 Workshop Session #4 Elwell, Furniss, Fraley, Troeger, Barr, Fleckenstein

BONUS OFFERINGS:

Young's Music Store in Allentown (Whitehall) will bring a bookstore display. Bring your Christmas money! Bring your credit card!

Bring music scores and CD's which you no longer use. Take some new ones. Make a donation to the January JumpStart.

Important Change Regarding Reading Sessions: all music used in reading packets will be FREE.

REGISTRATION: Registration is **free for AGO members**. Non-members: \$30

Lunch is \$15 for everyone; brown-bagging is welcome.

Registrar: Paul Marchesano: JanuaryJumpStart@agophila.org or 215-287-8955

Questions: Sue Petura: spetura@aem-inc.com or 610-247-8598

Positions Available

- **Organist Wanted:** First United Methodist Church, 64 E. North St., Carlisle, PA. Traditionally strong Sacred Music ministry. One Worship service per week/ one choir rehearsal. Three-manual Allen Organ. Successful candidate will work collaboratively with the Director of Music / Choir Director to develop a creative, inspiring and inviting music ministry working with singers of all ages and abilities. Experience or knowledge of organizing and directing a bell choir is a plus. Call the Church office at 717-249-4729 or email us at firstumc1@embarqmail.com to receive more information and an application.
- Director of Music and Organist: A half-time position, one- or two-year renewable contract depending upon qualifications. Excellent salary based upon choral and organ training and experience. Health and retirement benefits included. Three-week paid summer vacation. Play two Eucharist services each Sunday throughout liturgical year, as well as additional feast days, conduct Parish Choir and Men and Youth Choir, and organize musical repertoire for the worship of this "singing church". Director of Music may offer music instruction for additional income using church facilities at no cost. To receive a complete Job Description please send a request to Ms Lynn Kintz, Parish Administrator at lkintz@stjohnschurchcarlisle.org or by US Mail to Ms. Kintz at: St. John's Episcopal Church, PO Box 626, Carlisle, PA 17013. Submit resume with cover letter and two current letters of reference to mscheneman@stjohnschurchcarlisle.org, or The Reverend Canon Mark Scheneman, Rector, St. John's Episcopal Church, PO Box 626, Carlisle, PA 17013 by December 1, 2009.
- Director of Music Ministry: Central Presbyterian Church, Chambersburg PA, seeks a full time Director of Music Ministry who is willing and able to encourage the church to join together glorifying God and to draw people into His presence. The successful candidate will have a vision for worshipping through music, be well versed in sacred music, adept in traditional and contemporary worship, relate well to a variety of ages, and possess the ability to grow our music program. A music related degree from an accredited college is required, as is training and experience directing sacred vocal choirs, hand bells, and contemporary worship. Central Presbyterian, founded in 1868 in the center of downtown, is a healthy, prayerful, growing, traditional congregation led by the Holy Spirit. God has blessed us with numerous musical resources, including but not limited to: a congregation of talented children, youth, and adults; a Casavant organ and Steinway concert grand piano; a 5-octave bell choir; Orff instruments; chimes; and recorders. Interested candidates should send a resume & references to: Central Presbyterian Church, Director of Music Ministry Search Committee, Attn: Mr. Duane Gooch, Chair, 40 Lincoln Way West, Chambersburg, PA 17201 Or electronically to: search@centralonthesquare.org
- **Organist/Choir Director:** The Memorial Church of the Prince of Peace, 20 West High St, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, seeks a part-time (15 hr.) Organist/Choir Director to lead traditional Episcopal worship. The position includes both an adult and children's choir. Current position also includes a hand bell choir and men's chorus. Quality leadership skills are required and growth in the music program is a desired goal. A degree in music is required and demonstrated ability in organ performance is a must. Prince of Peace is an active historical church located in downtown Gettysburg. www.gettysburgepiscopal.org Contact: Duane Botterbusch dbotterb@gettysburg.edu
- Church Organist/Keyboardist Wanted: Trinity Lutheran Church, 38 West Baltimore Street, Taneytown, MD is seeking an Organist to play for a well established music ministry that includes traditional and occasional contemporary services. This position could be filled by one or two part-time people. The successful candidate(s) will fit well within the congregation's leadership team, demonstrate strong faith, and have the ability to work well with musicians of all ages and abilities. They should have good organizational skills and be proficient on one or more of the keyboards available: the historic Felgemaker tracker organ in the sanctuary, the Allen organ in the chapel, and the Clavinova for Contemporary Praise Services. Salary (up to \$14K) and benefits will be based on education and performance experience. Please email a cover letter and resume to our committee chairman, ednull@cen3.com. If questions, please call Trinity's church office at 410-751-1203.
- Organist/Director of Music: St. John's U.C.C. seeks a part-time (30hr) Director of Music to lead a dynamic program of music activities. The successful candidate will be adept in traditional and contemporary worship, relate to a variety of ages, able to work in a team, possess the ability to grow our music program, and sees music in the life of the church as an act of worship. A music related degree is required as well as organ and keyboard expertise. Send resume to: Director of Music Search Committee c/o St. John's UCC, 1811 Lincoln Way East, Chambersburg, PA 17202 or email to office@stjohnschambersburg.org
- **Director of Choirs:** (Leading to the Position of Minister of Music) ½ time position with negotiable salary. First United Church of Christ, 30 N. Pitt, Carlisle, PA 17013. Contact: Iva 717-243-2512 oneucc@embarq.com for full job description. Qualifications required: Baccalaureate degree with strong music emphasis, meet First United Church of Christ Safe Church Policy and Procedure Manual requirements.

Harrisburg Chapter American Guild of Organists Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting, Tuesday, November 10, 2009

The board met on Tuesday evening, November 10, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., at Trinity Lutheran Church in Camp Hill. Present: Karen Worley, Ray Edmison, Doris Savage, Arnold Sten, Mary Jane Nelson, Brian Rice, Robert Carbaugh, Kenneth Walker, Dr. Shirley King (ex officio), Dr. Ralph Kneeream, Tim Koch, Nicholas Baseshore, Julie Jones, Rev. Steven Middernacht, Deborah Dillane, Shawn Gingrich, Kay Shupp. Excused: Kenneth Kline. Absent: Tom Notestine.

Minutes of the August 11, 2009, meeting were approved on a motion by Rev. Steve Middernacht and a second by Julie Jones. Treasurer Brian Rice presented a written statement of receipts, disbursements, and cash in bank for the period August 11, 2009, through November 10, 2009. The statement was approved on a motion by Dr. Ralph Kneeream and a second by Mary Jane Nelson. Doris Savage, chair of the Membership Committee reported that as of this date we have 134 members of our chapter. A list of former members not renewing this year was passed around, and members of the board were requested to contact any of those persons they may know.

Rev. Steven Middernacht was appointed chair of the Professional Development committee. Dean Arnold Sten provided a document listing responsibilities of the Professional Development committee. Rev. Middernacht stated that in January 2010 changes will be discussed in the area of professional development.

Dr. Ralph Kneeream, chair of the Program Committee, expressed thanks to the following: Helen Anthony and Shawn Gingrich for their work with the August student recital, Dr. Shirley King for her efforts with the Carlisle program in September, and Sue Klinedinst for hosting the October workshop on the Alexander Technique. The Program Committee will meet following the November 14 program.

Mary Jane Nelson, chair of Publicity, inquired as to what type of publicity she should use for the February and March programs. Dr. Lau's presentation on Improvisation will be best suited for chapter members and friends only and not advertised to the general public. The St. Matthew Passion program in March by Susanna Faust will be announced to the general public. The Board agreed that flyers for the Ken Cowan recital in April should be available for those attending the November 14 program as well as whenever possible to distribute.

Dr. Shirley King gave an oral report on the progress of the Steering Committee for the 2011 Regional Convention we are sponsoring. A more detailed written report will be presented at our January meeting.

The secretary was instructed to send a thank you note to Richard Zentmeyer for his work in recording the programs of our Chapter.

Dean Arnold Sten read a letter from the National Office thanking our Chapter for the contribution to the Endowment Fund. The Dean stated that Board members may offer assistance to fellow organists in questions of employment disputes but care needs to be taken that anything said or written may be misconstrued as AGO policy.

Meeting adjourned on a motion by Shawn Gingrich and second by Doris Savage.

Next meetings: January 12, 2010 and April 13, 2010.

Ken Walker, Secretary

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers needed for March AGO Program: Susanna Faust will present a program on March 12 about Bach's St. Matthew Passion. Anyone interested in singing a few choruses and chorales in English, please contact Susanna via phone (891-1162) or email (annehoijer@yahoo.com). Altos and basses are needed most. Sheet music will be provided and there will be a few rehearsals scheduled to accommodate as many singers as possible. Open to non-AGO members.

Area Events

Wednesday, December 2, 2009—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North Twenty-third Street, Camp Hill, presents Helen Anthony, organist from Derry Presbyterian Church, Hershey. A light lunch will be served prior to the recital from 11:45-12:15. A free-will offering will be received. (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org

Saturday, December 5, 2009—7:00 PM

Winterstown United Methodist Church, 12184 Winterstown Road, Felton presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble, Shawn Gingrich, director, in concert. The concert is free and open to all. A free-will offering will be received. For information call (717) 533-9668 or visit www.hersheyhandbellensemble.org

Sunday, December 6--8:30 & 11:00 AM Worship

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North Twenty-third Street, Camp Hill Singing Choirs present music for Advent and Christmas, David Binkley, organist/choirmaster. A free-will offering will be received (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org

Sunday, December 6, 2009—3:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble, Shawn Gingrich, director, in concert. The concert is free and open to all. A free-will offering will be received. For information call (717) 533-9668 or visit www.firstumchershey.org or www.hersheyhandbellensemble.org

Sunday, December 6, 2009-3:00 PM

St Paul Lutheran Church, 530 Bridge St, New Cumberland, offers a Messiah sing-along as part of their Centennial celebration. Tim Dixon, music director of the West Shore Symphony Orchestra, director of orchestral activities at Messiah College, and conductor of the Harrisburg Opera Association, will conduct.

Saturday, December 12, 2009—12:00 PM

Strawberry Square Shopping Center, 11 N. Third Street, Harrisburg presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble, Shawn Gingrich, director in concert. The concert is free and open to all. A free-will offering will be received. For information call (717) 533-9668 or visit www.hersheyhandbellensemble.org

Sunday, December 13, 2009—8:30 & 11:00 AM Worship

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North Twenty-third Street--Brass Choir presents music for Advent and Christ-mas--David R. Getz, conductor. A free-will offering will be received (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org

Sunday December 13, 2009—3:00 PM

Baughman Memorial United Methodist Church, 228 Bridge St. (Third and Bridge Sts.), New Cumberland presents **The Keystone Brass Quintet** in an afternoon of Christmas music, including a carol singalong. This concert is part of the church's Deborah Vowler Posner Concert Series. Free admission. Parking in rear of church.

Sunday, December 13, 2009-4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents *Christmas at Trinity* - our yearly Christmas extravaganza with choirs and orchestra including Vivaldi's "Gloria".

Sunday, December 13, 2009—5:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. Sixth Street (Sixth & Chestnut Sts.), Lebanon presents Christmas Service of Lessons and Carols. Valley Forge Choir of Men and Boys with Paul Jacobs, organist. Free-will offering. For more information, please call (717) 272-8251.

Sunday, December 20, 2009—4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill hosts "A Candlelight Christmas" with the Susquehanna Chorale. Tickets \$22.00 (Trinity Patrons - \$10).

Thursday, December 31, 2009—7:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents singer Mark Cable in concert. The concert is free and open to all and will precede the outdoor New Year's Eve celebrations. A free-will offering will be received. For information call (717) 533-9668 or visit www.firstumchershey.org

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Wednesday, January 6, 2010—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North Twenty-third Street, Camp Hill, presents Deborah Dillane, organist from Christ Lutheran Church, Elizabethtown. A light lunch will be served prior to the recital from 11:45-12:15. A free-will offering will be received. (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org

Sunday, April 11, 2010—3:00 PM

St. Luke Lutheran Church, Shaefferstown presents Carl Iba, violin and Randy Day, piano in a duo concert. A freewill offering will be received. For information call (717) 949-3375 or email stlukelutheran@verizon.net

Saturday, April 24, 2010—7:00 PM

Fawn Grove United Methodist Church, 67 South Market Street, Fawn Grove, PA hosts the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in a concert sponsored by the churches of southeastern York County, sponsored by Prospect UMC. The concert is free. A free-will offering will be received. Visit www.hersheyhandbellensemble.org for details.

Saturday, May 1, 2010—7:00 PM

Hostetter Chapel, Messiah College, Grantham, PA presents the Messiah College Concert Handbell Choir in concert, Shawn Gingrich, conductor. The concert is free and open to all. Contact sgingric@messiah.edu for details.

Harrisburg Chapter A.G.O. 2009-2010 Chapter Programs

JANUARY: CANCELLED

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 9:30 AM-11:30 AM: WORKSHOP WITH DR. ROBERT LAU, "EASY IMPROVI-SATION FOR THE CHURCH ORGANIST," ZION LU-THERAN CHURCH, 2730 BOOSER AVE., HARRISBURG

FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 7:30 PM: A POWERPOINT PRESENTATION ON BACH'S SAINT MATTHEW PAS-SION, SUSANNA FAUST, WITH EXAMPLES SUNG BY CHAPTER MEMBERS & CHAPTER FRIENDS, ST. MI-CHAEL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, HARRISBURG

SUNDAY. APRIL 11. 4 PM: KEN COWAN IN RECITAL. CO-SPONSORED BY CAMP HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & OUR CHAPTER, AT CAMP HILL PRESBYTE-RIAN CHURCH

MAY: ANNUAL BANQUET, WITH ELECTION/INSTALL-ATION OF OFFICERS: LOCATION, DATE, TIME: TBA

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, & SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 4, 5, & 6: BOB CHILCOTT AT MARKET SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CO-SPONSORED BY MARKET SQUARE & PINE STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES & OUR CHAPTER; CHAPTER MEMBERS ARE ENTITLED TO FOUR EVENTS-- AUDIT 2 REHEARS-ALS, ATTEND A CHILCOTT WORKSHOP, & ADMIS-SION TO A GALA CONCERT WITH CHOIR & ORCHES-TRA: SPECIFICS TO BE ANNOUNCED

Program Committee: Tom Clark-Jones, Susanna Faust, Don Golden, Brenda Helwig, Ken Kline, Suzanne Klinedinst, Tim Koch, Robert Lau, Esther Long, Eric Riley, Darrell Woomer, Ralph Kneeream, chair; Arnold Sten and Mary Jane Nelson (ex-officio).

2009/2010 Music, Art & Drama Series

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church 101 North 23rd Street Camp Hill, PA 17011 (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org

Wednesday Noonday Organ Recitals Featuring members of the Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

> 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM Light lunch served at the church

> > 12:15 – 12:45 PM Organ Recital

December 2—**Helen Anthony** Derry Presbyterian Church, Hershey

January 6—**Deborah Dillane** Christ Lutheran Church, Elizabethtown

February 3—**Eric Riley** Market Square Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg

March 3—Arnold Sten Trindle Spring Lutheran Church, Mechanicsburg

April 7—Esther Long

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Lewisberry

The Chapter Program Committee Voted to Cancel the January 5, 2010 **Twelfth Night Celebration**

Chapter Members who desire additional information on this decision should contact Ralph Kneeream, Sub-Dean and Program Committee Chair.

Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists Tom Notestine, Editor 112 Ashford Way Camp Hill, PA 17011-3919

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The Bombarde

The deadline for each edition of **The Bombarde** is the fifteenth of each month unless otherwise noted. Whenever possible, please submit your items in electronic format.



Deadline for inclusion in the January 2010 newsletter is Tuesday, December 15, 2009. Please forward **all** submissions to:

Tom Notestine, Editor 112 Ashford Way Camp Hill, PA 17011-3919

E-mail: bombarde@harrisburgago.com

Note: Please use **Bombarde** in the subject line of e-mail.

Thank you!