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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

Please plan to attend our next chapter meeting on Saturday, March 9, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in New Cumberland. Karl Moyer will offer a Workshop on Hymn Playing, A Continental Breakfast will be served at 9 AM and the event will begin at 9:30 AM. There is always something to learn about hymn playing, an art fundamental to our calling as church musicians. So do plan to attend. Dr. Moyer is well-known to our chapter members. He has had a distinguished career in Church Music, and we welcome him to this year's roster of clinicians.

You will find the 2013-2014 Slate of Nominations on page 2. I wish to thank our Nominating Committee, Shirley King, chair, and chapter members Ellen Hunt, Julie Jones, Kay Shupp, and Ron Sider, for preparing the Slate. Additional nominations may be submitted by written petition, signed by at least five (5) chapter voting members in good standing. Please mail the petition to Kenneth Walker, chapter Secretary, postmarked no later than, March 25, 2013. Official ballots will be mailed to chapter members in April.

Plan to attend our Annual Banquet and Annual Meeting at the prestigious Harrisburg Civic Club on Tuesday, May 14, 2013. You will not want to miss this event. Glenn Rodgers, our new Region III Councillor, will be our guest. Please see the details of this important event in our chapter's life on page 3.

The remainder of this column will take the form of a brief essay on "Conducting from the Console," by Dr. Robert Lau. Please find Dr. Lau's essay on page 2.

In closing, let me wish everyone a most Holy Lent and a glorious Easter Day.

Soli Deo Gloria
Ralph Kneeream

March Events

Chapter Program

Saturday, March 9, 2013 9:30 AM
9:00 AM Social / Coffee Time
Hymn Playing, Karl Moyer, clinician;
St. Paul's Lutheran Church,
539 Bridge Street, New Cumberland,
Karen Worley, Host.
(see details below)

Educational Outreach

Saturday, March 16, 2013
Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza
Lebanon Valley College, Annville
Pedals, Pipes and Pizza is a partial-day event that introduces young people to the pipe organ.
(see details next page)

For the March Chapter program we are pleased to welcome veteran organist and teacher Dr. Karl E. Moyer to the Harrisburg Chapter. His presentation is described in the following paragraphs.

What can we as organists do to encourage better congregational singing? What should we seek to avoid doing? How does what we do with the keys and the pipes help or hinder the people's experience in sung prayer and praise?

This session analyzes musical and textual aspects of hymns, plus a few liturgy items, and how to play them so as to enhance deeper spirituality through hymn singing that reflects both solid theology and the entire catholic essence of the Church. Substantial hymnody need not be boring, nor need it yield to trite hymnody, when we play it with skill and fervor.

Dr. Moyer took degrees at Lebanon Valley College, with organ study under R. Porter Campbell; at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, including organ study with Vernon deTar; a master's degree

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Slate of Candidates for Office

The following slate of candidates for office in the Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists has been submitted by the Nominating Committee:

Dean: Thomas Clark-Jones
 Sub-Dean: Steven Middernacht
 Secretary: Kay Shupp
 Treasurer: Arnold Sten

Executive Committee (2013-2015):

[We will elect three]

Bob Carbaugh
 Anthony Ciucci
 Donald Golden
 Judy Schrack
 Charles Seifert
 Michael Shoemaker
 Richard Zentmeyer

Any additional nominations must be made by petitions signed by at least five (5) Chapter Voting Members in good standing, and be received thirty (30) days after this slate is announced to the membership. With the release of this newsletter on February 25, 2013, the due date of petitions is March 25, 2013. Send petitions to the Secretary, Kenneth C. Walker, 1200 Forge Road, Carlisle, PA 17013.

Treasurer's Report

by Brian Rice

Cash in Bank as of 1/1/2013	\$ 6,764.40*
Disbursements (-)	\$ 671.43
Receipts (+)	\$ 435.00
Cash in Bank as of 2/1/2013	\$ 6,527.97*
Invested Funds:	
Cassel Award	\$ 5,993.63
Stahle Award	\$ 1,143.03
Yocum Scholarship	\$ 3,328.31
Shenk Scholarship	\$ 6,604.15
Throne Money Market	\$ 9,623.36
Reserve Money Market	\$20,816.51
General CD	\$ 5,035.06

*Includes \$1,000.00 from Clapper Estate

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in music history at Temple University; and the doctorate in Organ Performance and Church Music at Eastman School of Music, with David Craighead (organ) and The Rev. Dr. M. Alfred Bichsel (Church music) as his primary professors. As of about four decades ago, he became a Fellow of the AGO and has served congregations, with intermittent breaks, since 1951. A particular learning experience as the organist in Hilltop Chapel at Ft. Knox, KY, during a half-year of Army training, will illuminate part of his presentation at New Cumberland.

He served on the music faculty at Millersville University from 1964 to 1996, continuing in retirement in concertizing, in parish music, in historical research and writing and as an avid recreational runner. For the second time in his life he has drawn his concert career to a close (as of 2009) and plays only short programs at this point.



Pedals Pipes & Pizza
 Introducing Young People to the Pipe Organ

On Saturday, March 16, 2013 the Harrisburg Chapter AGO will join forces with the Lebanon Valley College Chapter to present a Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza event at Lebanon Valley College. The day will be free to participants ages 12 to 18 and registration opens at 8:45am. The event will run from 9am to 2pm and will include a pizza lunch. For more information or to ask questions contact Justin Weilnau at (484) 550-9731 or email jnw003@lvc.edu.

Harrisburg Chapter members are needed to be guides during the event to assist the LVC students as well as to assist in serving the lunch. Please contact subdean Shawn Gingrich if you can help (717) 877-8554 or email subdean@harrisburgago.com.

Please share the flyer and registration form inserted into this newsletter with a young musician you may know.

Conducting from the Console

by Robert Lau

Many of our chapter's members hold combined positions as both choir director and organist of a church. This means they are required to both play and conduct, most frequently when the choir presents an anthem. The study of conducting techniques (or the absence of them) needed in this role is rarely presented in formal conducting courses. Although there are some approaches to learning how to deal with some of the problems, let me suggest a more general approach I have found beneficial in my own career. My mantra is "less is better." By this I mean that less conducting may be the best course of action.

The approach: solve problems during rehearsals. Instead of incorporating conducting gestures into the actual performance, present and rehearse solutions to problems during rehearsals. While it is important that the choir sings correct pitches, rhythms and tempos, work also on attacks and releases, changes of tempo, dynamics and even phrasing and musicality. But DON'T conduct! STRONGLY encourage them to write directions/corrections/

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A Gold Letter Year for Ken Walker

by Mary Jane Nelson

Reminiscing over a 50-year period at one venue can bring up a lot of memories and Ken Walker can identify quite a few. Before beginning his tenure in a local congregation, Ken graduated from Carlisle High School in 1954, Shippensburg State Teacher's College in 1958, and received his Master's degree from Temple University in Philadelphia in 1961. His organ teachers during this educational period were James C. Weaver at Shippensburg, and Bernard Wert from St. Patrick Cathedral in Harrisburg.

As a result of his chosen field of training, he taught Business Education at Perry Joint High School in Bloomfield from 1958 through 1962, and the same subjects at Carlisle High School from 1962 until 2004. He was also their yearbook advisor for 33 years. During these teaching years, he found time to travel to Europe several times, including England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, and the Scandinavian countries. He has also zipped around to Russia, South America, Mexico, Canada, the Caribbean Islands, the Holy Land, Puerto Rico, Bermuda and over the United States.

In 1963, St. John Lutheran Church in Boiling Springs asked Ken to become their organist. He has been there now for 50 years! Also, in the 1970s, St. Patrick Church in Carlisle asked Ken to be "on-call" for weddings, funerals and Saturday evening Mass. He states that, although he doesn't keep track of the number of funerals he has serviced, he has played at 488 weddings!

Ken has seen grooms pass-out during their wedding, brides lose their veils, and mothers of the bride or groom faint, as well as some wedding-party members. He says there was one wedding where the groom did not show up...he just sent a note!

In 1983 he was on the Board of the Harrisburg Chapter of the AGO and was asked if he would consider being the Secretary. Long-story-short, that position has lasted 30 years, over which he has attended many Regional and National AGO Conventions.

Ken presently lives outside of Carlisle in South Middleton Township. His house-mate is a German Shepherd/Norwegian Elk Hound named Lady Katherine Victoria. We thank him for his service as Secretary of the Chapter, and for his 50-years of service at St. John Lutheran Church at Boiling Springs. I'm sure he has many more stories than he has already told us! Just ask him sometime....

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suggestions in their music (yes I know that amateurs think that is for "amateurs"). Verbalize your intentions. Demonstrate the results you are seeking by playing or singing passages you are working on.

This approach cannot solve every problem (thereby totally eliminating the necessity of conducting).

I have found over a period of years, however, that this concept of more intense preparation has several benefits. You will have to conduct much less than you might think necessary, and the choir will be better prepared in every way for their presentation. You might also find an added surprise: a choir which sings with much more independence and security. "Less is better."

Membership News

by Doris Savage

From the Registrar

The mid-year point for NEW memberships is from February 1–March 31, 2013. If you know of a prospective member, please inform them of the reduced rates and that although they become a member during these months, a renewal will go out in mid-April for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. Contact Doris Savage for further information: dorisagohbg@comcast.net. You will find a mid-year application form at our website.

Email update for members

Peter Hewitt has a new email address: peter.h6743@verizon.net

Walter McAnney has a new email address: wgm.4313@verizon.net

Lunch Bunch

We'll meet on Wednesday, March 13th in the Bridges Café at the Radisson in Camp Hill at 11:30 a.m. Please let Doris know no later than Monday, March 11th if you plan to attend.

About a member:

Best wishes go out to Ken Kline for a speedy recovery to restored health.

Music Scholarship Opportunities Offered

The Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) is pleased to invite piano students from 13 to 18 years of age to apply for the Yocum Pipe Organ Encounter Scholarships to be offered during the summer of 2013. The Pipe Organ Encounter (POE) is a four to five-day event held in various parts of the country for young pianists who wish to explore the organ. The deadline for applying for this scholarship is March 25, 2013.

Also at this time the application for the Shenk Scholarship for summer organ lessons offered by several members of the Harrisburg Chapter, for youth in grades 6-12 is available. The Shenk Scholarship provides the equivalent of ten 30-minute organ lessons, membership in the Guild, as well as an opportunity to play in a chapter program. The deadline for applying for this scholarship is April 30, 2013. More details, application forms and a list of the locations for the 2013 POE experiences are available on the Chapter website or by contacting Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, at (717) 269-8623, or by e-mail at moorman@lvc.edu.

Area Events Listing

Saturday, March 2, 2013—7:00 PM

St. Mark Lutheran Church, 129 Charles Street, Hanover presents the forty-two voice choir from Thiel College in Greenville, PA. This performance is part of the choir's 2013 spring tour. Dr. Michael Bray will lead the choir in a variety of sacred a cappella works, as well as arrangements of spirituals, folk songs and hymns. The concert is open to the public and a free-will offering will be received. For more information please contact the church office at 717-637-8904.

Sunday, March 3, 2013—7:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 South Sixth Street, Lebanon presents a Choral Evensong and concert by David Kreider and Don Horneff, duo pianists from McDaniel College - Offering received.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013—12:00 PM

First Presbyterian Church, 2A North Hanover Street, Carlisle presents Lenten Organ Series featuring organist Steve Middernacht. A simple lunch will be served following the 30-minute concert ~ \$5.00. All proceeds go to Project Share.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013—12:10 PM

Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 North Third Street, Harrisburg presents organist Dr. Raymond Weidner (Organist of First Presbyterian Church, Lynchburg, VA) in a Lenten Recital. There will be a Soup and Bread lunch following offered for a \$3 donation with proceeds going to Downtown Daily Bread.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist Helen Anthony as a part of the 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. A free-will offering will be received. (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org.

Friday, March 8, 2013—7:30 PM

Saint Patrick Cathedral, 212 State Street, Harrisburg presents Le Chemin de la Croix (Stations of the Cross) by Marcel Dupré. The seventh annual presentation of Dupré's monumental organ suite that was inspired by Paul Claudel's poetic meditations on the Stations of the Cross. In February of 1931, Dupré improvised a set of 14 pieces, with each one paired to Claudel's poems. It received such critical acclaim, that he set the improvisations to paper, and the final version was premiered in Paris in 1932. Recurring melodies represent Christ, Mary, the Cross, and other figures in the Passion story. The music ranges from powerful and dissonant to soft and mellow. Presented by organist Nicholas F. Basehore and reader Charles R. Peguese. A requested donation of \$10 per person may be offered at the door.

Sunday, March 10, 2013—3:00 PM

Central Presbyterian Church, 40 Lincoln Way West, Chambersburg presents organist Richard E. Frey, from New Oxford, in an organ recital. He is a graduate of Westminster Choir College and Boston University. He has presented organ recitals at St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City and West Point Cadet Chapel. He is a member of the Harrisburg and York Chapters of the American Guild of Organists. Free will offering.

Sunday, March 10, 2013—4:00 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents Charlie Zahm, singer/guitarist—Celtic, Maritime,

and Traditional American music. A free-will offering will be received. (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org.

Wednesday, March 13, 2013—12:00 PM

First Presbyterian Church, 2A North Hanover Street, Carlisle presents Lenten Organ Series featuring organist Brian Rotz. A simple lunch will be served following the 30-minute concert ~ \$5.00. All proceeds go to Project Share.

Wednesday, March 13, 2013—12:10 PM

Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 North Third Street, Harrisburg presents organist Thomas Clark-Jones (Organist of Pine Street Church) in a Lenten Recital. There will be a Soup and Bread lunch following offered for a \$3 donation with proceeds going to Downtown Daily Bread.

Sunday, March 17, 2013—4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents Candlelight Vespers, Vivaldi *Magnificat* and the Reger *Meinen Jesum Lass ich nicht*. Chancel Choir and orchestra.

Sunday, March 17, 2013—4:00 PM

Grace Lutheran Church, 517 North Queen Street, Lancaster, hosts a program for Lancaster Chapter AGO presenting organist Mark Laubach in recital. The program is offered as part of our annual Lancaster Organ Showcase Series. Admission is \$10 (children under 12 free, students \$5). Tickets will be sold at the door and are available in advance at the Grace Lutheran Church Office, 397-2748. Proceeds are added to the Richard Fritsch Memorial Fund, enabling the Lancaster Organ Showcase to bring the finest organ talents to Lancaster annually. (See page 6 for additional details)

Sunday, March 17, 2013—7:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents the Schola Cantorum of Westminster Choir College under the direction of Dr. James Jordan 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. (See page 5 for additional details)

Sunday, March 17, 2013—7:00 PM

St. Mark Lutheran Church, 129 Charles Street, Hanover presents Cormorant's Fancy in a program for St. Patrick's Day. Clap along with lively jigs, reels and polkas—dance in the aisle! Sigh over beautiful ballads! Lift your voice in fun sing-alongs! The concert will be preceded by an Irish dinner of Shepherd's Pie at 6:00pm. Tickets for dinner and the show may be purchased for \$15/adult, \$10/child 12 & under. Tickets not including dinner are available for \$10/adult and \$5/child 12 & under. Please call (717) 778-1680 or e-mail stmarkmusic@hotmail.com by March 10th to make your reservation! The church is handicap accessible via the Willow Street entrance.

Tuesday, March 19, 2013—8:00 PM

Elizabethtown College, Leffler Chapel and Performing Arts Center hosts Gretna Music's presentation of concert pianist Emanuel Ax. The program will include works by Beethoven and Chopin. Tickets are available online at www.gretnamusic.org/tickets.htm or by phone (717) 361-1508.

Wednesday, March 20, 2013—12:00 PM

First Presbyterian Church, 2A North Hanover Street, Carlisle presents Lenten Organ Series featuring organist Shirley King. A simple lunch will be served following the 30-minute concert ~ \$5.00. All proceeds go to Project Share.

Wednesday, March 20, 2013—12:10 PM

Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 North Third Street, Harrisburg presents organist Alan R. Weamer (Organist of Court

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Street Church, Flint MI) in a Lenten Recital. There will be a Soup and Bread lunch following offered for a \$3 donation with proceeds going to Downtown Daily Bread.

Friday, March 22, 2013—7:30 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents the Eastman Trombone Choir from the University of Rochester Eastman School of Music under the direction of Dr. John R. Marcelus 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. (See page 6 for additional details)

Sunday, March 24, 2013—4:00 PM

First United Methodist Church 520 East Birch Street, Palmyra, presents a choral concert featuring the College Choir from Lebanon Valley College under the direction of Dr. Michael Wojdylak. A free-will offering will be received.

Wednesday, April 3, 2013—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist Deborah Dillane as a part of the 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. A free-will offering will be received. (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org.

Sunday, April 7, 2013—7:00 PM

The newly constructed Parmer Hall in the Calvin and Janet High Center for Worship and Performing Arts, Messiah College, Grantham presents organist Dr. Shawn Gingrich in recital on the newly installed pipe organ originally built by Reuter and rebuilt and enlarged by SDG Organ Company.

Friday, April 12, 2013—7:30 PM

Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 North Third Street, Harrisburg presents an Organ Spectacular with Ken Cowan, concert organist. Suggested donation of \$10 at the door.

Friday, April 12, 2013—7:30 PM

Saint Patrick Cathedral, 212 State Street, Harrisburg presents Lauren Jordan, soprano. Lauren Jordan holds a BFA in Vocal Performance from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and has studied with multiple instructors, including Mary Logan-Hastings and Jack Stamp, and is a two-time winner of the National Association of Teachers of Singing's Eastern Regional Competition. A requested donation of \$10 per person may be offered at the door.

Sunday, April 14, 2013—7:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 South Sixth Street, Lebanon presents a Choral Evensong and concert by the Eaken Piano Trio, Offering received.

Wednesday, April 17, 2013—8:00 PM

The newly constructed Calvin and Janet High Center for Worship and the Performing Arts, Messiah College Cultural Series presents pianist Christopher O'Riley, in "Out of My Hands," the acclaimed host of NPRs "From the Top" in repertoire from Radiohead to Ravel to Chopin. He will be joined by the college's Women's Ensemble to sing his Joni Mitchell song arrangements. For tickets call (717) 691-6036 or visit www.messiah.edu/culturalseries

Saturday, April 20, 2013 —6:00 PM

Trinity United Methodist Church, 415 Bridge Street, New Cumberland, presents Variety Show and Buffet Dinner, a Benefit Concert for Organ Restoration. \$12.00 per person - reservation required by April 12. Call (717) 774-7146.

Sunday, April 21, 2013—3:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents the Messiah College Concert Choir under the direction of

Linda Tedford. 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.

Sunday, April 21, 2013—4:00 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents Lebanon Valley College Alumni Chorale, Gregg Robert Mauroni, conductor. A free-will offering will be received. (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org.

Saturday, April 27, 2013—7:00 PM

St. Edward's Episcopal Church, 2453 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. The concert is free and open to all. A free-will offering will be received. For information call 717-298-7071 or visit www.hersheyhandbellensemble.org.

Sunday, April 28, 2013—3:00 PM

Alumnae Chapel of Wilson College, Chambersburg presents organist Shelly Moorman-Stahlman in the Van Looy Organ Series. For Tickets call (717) 262-2003 or email conferences@wilson.edu.

Sunday, April 28, 2013—3:00 PM

Tree of Life Lutheran Church, 1492 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. The concert is free and open to all. A free-will offering will be received. For information call 717-298-7071 or visit www.hersheyhandbellensemble.org.

Sunday, April 28, 2013—4:00 PM

Fine Arts at First, First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle presents The Maryland State Boychoir, Stephen Holmes, Artistic Director.

Friday, May 4, 2013—7:30 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents the Harrisburg Singers. For tickets visit www.harrisburgsingers.org.

Westminster Schola Cantorum of Westminster Choir College Dr. James Jordan, conductor



First United Methodist Church,
64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey
Sunday, March 17, 2013 at 7:00 PM

The choir's spring tour is entitled "A New Song: Passages of Life" featuring choral masterworks by Duruflé, Taverner, Britten, MacMillan, and more. The concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be received for the choir.

**Eastman Trombone Choir
of Eastman School of Music,
University of Rochester
Dr. John Marcellus, conductor**



First United Methodist Church,
64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey
Friday, March 22, 2013 at 7:30 PM

The Eastman Trombone Choir from The Eastman School of Music, University of Rochester, was founded in 1941 and is under the direction of John Marcellus. The choir is active in touring having traveled throughout the United States and in 2000 they traveled to Germany and Holland where they performed at the International Trombone Festival in Utrecht. The Choir has also appeared at the International Trombone Festivals in Nashville in 1979 and 1987. In 2001 the Choir was the winner of the Emory Remington Trombone Choir Competition. The Choir has also recorded for Mark Records, Stolat Records, and for Williams Music. The sound of the Eastman Trombone Choir has been described as "majestic," "noble," "brilliant," "soothing," and "exciting." The concert is free and open to everyone. A free-will offering will be received for the choir. For more information contact (717) 533-9668 or email music@firstumchershey.org.

**MARCH 17 ORGAN SHOWCASE
RECITAL TO FEATURE
MARK LAUBACH**

Mark Laubach will play a recital at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 17th at Grace Lutheran Church, 517 North Queen Street, Lancaster, as part of the Lancaster Chapter AGO Lancaster Organ Showcase Series.

Since January 1986, Mark Laubach has served as Organist and Choirmaster of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Wilkes-Barre, where he administers an active liturgical and

choral music program, concert series, and *Music from St. Stephen's*, a radio broadcast heard weekly on WVIA 89.9 FM Public Radio. In 2008 Bishop Paul Marshall made Mark Honorary Canon Precentor of the Diocese in recognition of his accomplishments and contributions to the musical and liturgical life of the Diocese of Bethlehem. Mark received a Bachelor's Degree in Church Music from Westminster Choir College, a Master's Degree in Organ Performance and Literature from the Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester, and served for one year as Fellow in Church Music at Washington National Cathedral. His organ teachers have included Clinton Miller, George Markey, Donald McDonald, and David Craighead. Since winning first prize in the 1984 American Guild of Organists (AGO) National Competition, Mark has performed in many of the most prominent churches and concert halls in the USA, and in Great Britain and Germany. Notable UK recitals have included appearances at Westminster Abbey and St. Paul's Cathedral in London, King's College Chapel in Cambridge, and cathedrals in Bristol, Chichester, Gloucester, Lincoln, Norwich, and Wells. He is a frequent recitalist, clinician, and competition adjudicator for National and Regional Conventions of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) and National and Regional Conferences of the AAM Association of Anglican Musicians (AAM). He has recorded three critically acclaimed compact discs on the Pro Organo label: *Teutonic Titanic*, *French Fest*, and *Mosaics in Sound*. A fourth CD recording is planned for recording in late 2013. He teaches organ students privately and at Marywood University in Scranton, where he is also accompanist for the University's Campus Choir.

Admission is \$10 (children under 12 free, students \$5). Tickets will be sold at the door and are available in advance at the Grace Lutheran Church Office, (717) 397-2748. Proceeds are added to the Richard Fritsch Memorial Fund, enabling the Lancaster Organ Showcase to bring the finest organ talents to Lancaster annually.

Upcoming Chapter Programs

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9:00 AM Social / Coffee Time

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Karen Worley, Host. (See details on page 1)

Saturday, March 16, 2013

Educational Outreach Program: Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza
Lebanon Valley College, Annville, (See details on page 2)

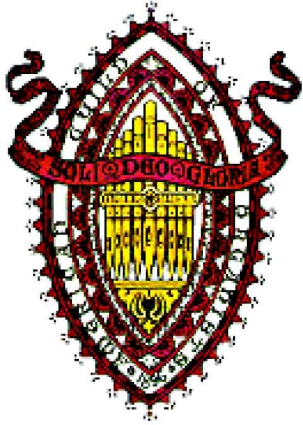
Saturday, April 20, 2013 9:30 AM

9:00 AM Social / Coffee Time

"Anthem Accompaniments and Contemporary Hymns at the Organ",
Dr. Robert Lau, clinician, St. John's Lutheran Church,
44 West Main Street, Shiremanstown, Tom Notestine, Host.

Tuesday, May 14, 2013

Annual Chapter Business Meeting and Banquet,
including installation of officers,
with Glenn Rogers, our new regional councillor, as our guest,
Civic Club of Harrisburg, 612 North Front Street, Harrisburg
(details to follow).



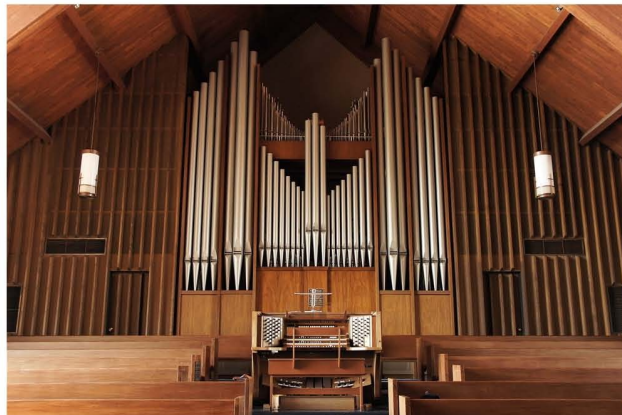
Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza!

Want to learn about the pipe organ? Want to experience the power?

If you're between the ages of 12-18, come join the organists of Lebanon Valley College and the Harrisburg Chapter AGO for a morning of fun! NO organ experience is needed. You will get to explore the variety of pipe organs at LVC, work with organ professor, Dr. Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, and the student organists. Fun workshops are in store for you! We will conclude our fun together by eating pizza (what could be better?!?)

Save the date: **March 16, 2013 from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M.**

**Registration
opens at 8:45
AM!**



No cost to
attend
courtesy of
Harrisburg
Chapter AGO

Lebanon Valley College
101 N. College Ave, Annville, PA 17003

Questions? Contact Justin Weilnau at
484-550-9731 or jnw003@lvc.edu



PEDALS, PIPES, AND PIZZA – REGISTRATION FORM

LEBANON VALLEY COLLEGE, HARRISBURG AGO

MARCH 16TH, 2013

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name of Student: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Age: _____ Gender: ___ M ___ F

Years of Piano Study: _____ Piano Teacher: _____

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Alt. Phone: (____) _____

Please sign below after you have checked this form for completeness and accuracy – THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Monsters of the Steinway, Gretna Music features Emanuel Ax

On Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at 8:00 PM, Elizabethtown College, Leffler Chapel and Performing Arts Center will host Gretna Music's presentation of concert pianist Emanuel Ax.



Emanuel Ax was born in Lvov, Poland, and grew up in Winnipeg, Canada. He studied at the Juilliard School where he subsequently won the Young Concert Artists Award. He also majored in French at Columbia University. Ax captured public attention in 1974 when he won the first Arthur Rubinstein International Piano Competition in Tel Aviv. In 1975 he won the Michaels Award of Young Concert Artists, followed four years later by the coveted Avery Fisher Prize. Since then there is hardly a major concert hall, orchestra or chamber performer with whom Emanuel Ax has not worked. His decades at the top of the classical music scene attests to the depth of his musicality and creativity. Ax has released many recordings, most recently the Mendelssohn Trios with Yo-Yo Ma and Itzhak Perlman, Strauss' Enoch Arden narrated by Patrick Stewart, and discs of two-piano music by Brahms and Rachmaninoff

with Yefim Bronfman. Ax has received Grammy awards for the second and third volumes of his cycle of Haydn's piano sonatas. He has also made a series of Grammy-winning recordings with cellist Yo-Yo Ma of the Beethoven and Brahms sonatas for cello and piano. In recent years, Emanuel Ax has turned his attention toward the music of 20th-century composers, premiering works by John Adams, Christopher Rouse, Krzysztof Penderecki, Bright Sheng, and Melinda Wagner. He is also devoted to chamber music, and has worked regularly with such artists as Young Uck Kim, Cho-Liang Lin, Mr. Ma, Edgar Meyer, Peter Serkin, Jaime Laredo, and the late Isaac Stern. Ax resides in New York City with his wife, pianist Yoko Nozaki. They have two children together, Joseph and Sarah. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and holds honorary doctorates of music from Yale and Columbia Universities.

Program

Beethoven - Sonata in A, Op. 2, No. 2
Beethoven - Sonata in C minor, Op. 13 "Pathétique"
Chopin - Sonata No. 3 in B minor, Op. 58

Tickets are available online at www.gretnamusic.org/tickets.htm or by calling (717) 361-1508.

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**HARRISBURG CHAPTER AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS
MEETING OF OFFICERS, BOARD ,COMMITTEE CHAIRS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2012
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, CAMP HILL**

The Dean called the meeting to order followed by the Invocation by Dr. D. Darrell Woomer.

ROLL CALL--Ken Walker, Secretary

Present: Dr. Ralph Kneeream, Dr. Shawn Gingrich, Kenneth Walker, Brian Rice, Esther Long, Tom Notestine, Ellen Hunt, Beth Palmer, Brian Rotz, Robert Bell, Carol Hunter, Doris Savage, Kathy Gates, Charles Yocum, Karen Appel, Dr. Shirley King, Rev. Steven Middernacht, Mary Jane Nelson, Rev. Dr. D. Darrell Woomer. Excused: Anna Royer, Georgia Clements, Tim Koch, Dr. Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, Fr. James Lease.

READING OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the August meeting were approved on a motion by Dr. Shawn Gingrich and a second by Rev. Steven Middernacht with the following corrections: Under the Dean's report the third from the last sentence SHOULD BE: As National and Regional Directives come down and/or Chapter conditions change, we will need to modify our document. The correct spelling of Kneeream was made under the NEW BUSINESS paragraph. The date under NEXT MEETING was corrected to November 13, 2012.

TREASURER'S REPORT--Brian Rice

The Treasurer distributed statements of Receipts, Disbursements, and Cash in the Bank for August 15, 2012, through November 13, 2012. Also presented was an up-to-date report on Program Year Expenses and Receipts. Reports were filed to audit.

DEAN'S REPORT--Dr. Ralph Kneeream

The Dean thanked all Board members for their work on behalf of our Chapter. Over the summer there were five Board votes, all taken electronically, and tabulated by the Dean. These were: ratifying the appointment of Karen Appel as Hospitality chair, the appointment of Dr. Shirley King as chair of Nominations, the appointment of Georgia Clements to replace Thomas Clark-Jones, who resigned from the Board; final ratification of the Chapter Procedures document following revisions by Jane Errera, Regional Councilor and John Walker, National Vice President; and the appointment of Kathy Gates to replace James Acri, who resigned, as Finance chair. Greetings were extended from the Delaware Chapter, where the Dean had presented a program. Harrisburg was chosen as one of the sites for the Region III competition for young organist. The Donald Clapper bequest will be discussed under Unfinished Business from our last meeting. The Petrof Piano will be put "on consignment" in South Carolina. The organ from the Frysinger bequest will be discussed by our Sub-Dean. The Dean closed his remarks by wishing everyone a rewarding Advent and Christmas Season, and a wish that peace on earth and goodwill among peoples become a true reality for all.

SUB-DEAN'S REPORT--Dr. Shawn Gingrich

As stated in the Dean's Report, the piano from the Frysinger bequest will be placed "on consignment" to be sold by Grand Strand Piano Center in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. We are awaiting a contract from John Mastroberti, owner of Grand Strand Piano Center. The contract is pending upon his visit to the house to see the piano in person. The organ from the Frysinger bequest was visited by Jesse and Janet Betlyon of Spring Grove, and the evaluation gave us information on condition and an opinion on price. The organ is playable and everything is functioning. The concerns are the age of the organ (27 years), and the fact that electronic components are no longer available for purchase if replacement becomes necessary. Mr. Betlyon stated if we were offered \$500 we should take the offer.

We have had two inquiries on the organ; but it is currently unclear how serious either may be or how much they may be willing to spend for the organ. On a motion by Dr. Gingrich and a second by Charles Yocum it was decided to move the organ from the Frysinger residence to First United Methodist Church in Hershey. This move will make the organ more accessible to prospective buyers. Dr. Gingrich will move the organ.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT--In the absence of Father James Lease there was no report.

COMMUNICATIONS--Dr. Shawn Gingrich

The Chapter Website provider will be changed in December. We will receive a free trial period of the package.

COMPETITION--Dr. D. Darrell Woomer

The Harrisburg Chapter has been selected as one of four chapters in Region III to host a 2013 AGO/Quimby Regional Competition for Young Organists. The competition will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2013, at First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle, PA 17013. Thanks were extended to Rev. Steven Middernacht for offering his church as the site for the competition and to Brenda Helwig for agreeing to help with the competition. Announcements of the competition will be sent to the Deans of the AGO Chapters in Central Pennsylvania.

DIRECTORY--Doris Savage

There is going to be an Addendum to the 2012-2013 Directory around December 1 as a PDF File with the names of members added since the directory was printed. This Addendum can be inserted in the directory.

EDUCATION--In the absence of--Dr. Shelly Moorman-Stahlman there was no report.

FINANCE--Kathy Gates

Copies of the Proposed Budget for our Chapter for 2013-2014 were distributed.

HISTORIAN/ARCHIVES-- Charles Yocum

Several items from a personal collection of information were presented. At the present time the chair of this committee is not pursuing outside areas due to divesting furniture and things in a space saving venture.

HOSPITALITY--Karen Appel

So far the activities of this committee have come in under budget. There will be a dinner prior to our January meeting at the cost of \$15 per person. The menu will be published in our newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP--Doris Savage

The lunches continue to be a success on the second Wednesday of each month. As we think about how to grow our Chapter--a goal for 2013--we should keep in mind that all individuals interested in the organ are invited to join the AGO. These persons can be a music

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student of any age, choir director, organ enthusiasts, community art supporters, clergy and denominational leaders, pianists, and music teachers.

NOMINATIONS-Dr. Shirley King

The following names were presented to the Board as members who have agreed to serve as the Nominating Committee for the 2013-2014 year: Dr. Shirley King-Chair, Ellen Hunt, Julie Jones, Kay Shupp, Ron Sider. The persons were approved by the Board.

PLACEMENT-In the absence of Tim Koch there was no report.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-Rev. Steven Middernacht

As of this summer the committee name is changed from Professional Concerns to Professional Development both on the national level and the local chapter levels. This gives a whole new scope to the committee's focus as some areas of work will overlap with the Program Committee. A good example was the October workshop on AGO Certifications. The committee has scheduled a meeting for after the first of the year.

PROGRAM-Dr. Shawn Gingrich

The committee has been working on preliminary discussions for our 2013-14 program offerings. We are using a Blog to share ideas, and the committee met this evening for a face-to-face discussion. Please share any ideas you may have for the coming year's offerings as soon as possible. The May banquet location for this current program year was discussed this evening, and we are exploring holding the event at a local hotel.

PUBLICITY-Mary Jane Nelson

Articles on our programs have been sent to the American Organist magazine. Regarding our ad in the Winchester Regional Convention booklet, Dr. Shirley King will contact the Winchester Chapter and clear up any questions for us.

REGISTRAR-Doris Savage

Our Chapter has a current membership of 135. The breakdown is: 63 regular, 44 special, 17 student, 6 dual, and 5 chapter friends.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Donald Clapper Bequest

Special funds for scholarships-Cassell bequest has to be researched

Memorials for deceased current members and Deans.

Next Officers, Board, and Committee Chairs meeting: Tuesday, February 12, 2013, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Camp Hill.

Kenneth C. Walker
Secretary

Positions Available

Part-time Organist/pianist: to provide accompaniment for Sunday morning worship, Holy Week services, and Baccalaureate, at Gettysburg College (while classes are in session.) Possible collaboration with music faculty in support of concerts may also be requested. Complete description and application instructions may be found at <https://gettysburg.peopleadmin.com/postings/411>.

Director of Music Ministries: Faith Presbyterian Church, the Director of Music Ministries is called to engage our congregation in the love and service of God through the medium of music and corporate worship. This person will lead the congregation's music ministries and strengthen a sense of fellowship, unity, and purpose in the total music program. As a key staff member, the Director of Music Ministries provides leadership in developing, implementing and administering a comprehensive music ministry including music for worship, weddings, funerals, Christian Education and other functions of the church. Responsibilities include organ, directing and growing musical gifts among the congregation. Salary is \$22,000-\$25,000/year for 15-20 hours/week, depending on experience. Shared-cost benefits are available. If this fits with your calling, please mail your CV with references to 1801 Colonial Rd. Harrisburg, PA 17112 or email to debbiek@lifeinfaith.org.

Local Pipe Organ for Sale

Allison United Methodist Church in Carlisle is seeking a buyer for its Möller Pipe Organ originally built in 1958, expanded in 1986, and further expanded in 2011 to the equivalent of 61 ranks (43 ranks of pipes and 18 digital "ranks"). The organ has three manuals, a Peterson ICS-4000 control system, Walker digital voices, multiple memory banks, along with many other features.

Since the three United Methodist churches in Carlisle are merging and the Allison building has been sold to Dickinson College the organ is in need of a new home. All offers will be considered.

Contact Pastor Mira Hewlett (717) 243-5962 or email mhewlett@susumc.org.



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Sub-Dean	Shawn Gingrich
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2010–2013	Esther Long, Tom Notestine, Anna Royer
2011–2014	Ellen Hunt, Beth Palmer, Brian Rotz
2012–2015	Robert Bell, Georgia Clements, Carol Hunter

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