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Let me be the first to wish you ...

Yes, let me be the first to wish you a Merry Christmas! No ... I'm not trying to get ahead of Wal-Mart and the Mall in getting my Christmas decorations out. I'm one of those rare folk who actually likes to celebrate Christmas during the Christmas Season ... from December 24 until January 6. But my family does have a way of getting the tree up by Advent II!

Nonetheless, for those of us in the church music profession, Christmas is literally just around the corner. My choristers give me a funny look when I say this kind of thing ... after all, it's hardly the middle of October as I write this. Then I remind them that before our big service of Lessons and Carols on December 15 there are only 9 rehearsals. Well, that sounds reasonable, doesn't it? NOOO! What it means is that we have 18 hours to get ready for that big service and 20 hours to get ready for Christmas Eve ... and while doing that we still have some big anthems to prepare for All Saints (observed in my church on November 3) and the Feast of Christ the King on

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November Program

Saturday, November 9, 2013 Organ Crawl to Washington, DC

Leave Church of the Good Shepherd, 3435 Trindle Road, Camp Hill at 7:00am and return late evening.

Reserve your seat by November 1. Contact Sub-Dean Steven Middernacht, <u>musician@firstlutherancarlisle.org</u> or 717-249-3310.

Box lunches are available—request one when you reserve a spot. Dinner will be served at Augustana Lutheran Church.

Venues we plan to visit:

- First Baptist Church, 1328 16th Street NW, Austin, Op. 2795, 114 ranks.
- St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 313 Second Street, NE, Hook & Hastings, Op. 1491 (1891), 29 ranks.
- St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 619 10th Street NW, Lively-Fulcher, 1994, 44 ranks.
- Ascension and St. Agnes Church, 1217 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Orgues Létourneau, Op. 68, 55 ranks.
- St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 2430 K Street, NW, Schoenstein, Op. 123, 64 ranks.
- Augustana Lutheran Church, 2100 New Hampshire Ave NW, Orgues Létourneau, Op. 66, 34 stops (mechanical).

Web Links with details on all instruments are posted on the program page of the chapter website: <u>www.HarrisburgAGO.org/programs.htm</u>.



First Baptist Church

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November 24 ... AND we have a concert event on the evening of November 3 to prepare also! So ... indeed, Christmas is just around the corner.

I don't suppose it will ever be possible to really share with our choristers, much less our congregations, the huge task that lies before each of us each year between September I and December 25. There is a daunting amount of music to be learned and performed ... and all of it needs to seem effortless and perfectly natural.

To make that happen takes a lot of planning and personal rehearsal. I have found over a lot of years in this business that it really pays to plan carefully. From the careful planning of repertoire that can be achieved in the time given, to a rhythm of challenging and not-so-challenging anthems as the time goes by, giving a chance for a breather so it doesn't seem like the huge project it really is to either the chorister or the director.

Also, carefully planning rehearsals so that one accomplishes what needs to be done by a certain time in the cycle on harder works while keeping the week to week repertoire chugging along at just the right pace. Many of you already know this ... but for those who find themselves in the 'jam up' that comes near the holidays ... some careful planning and personal rehearsing can save your singers and yourself a lot of grief. As the funny sign that runs out of space on the bumper stickers says ... Think ahead!

In spite of the challenges of this time of year, I hope you will also experience the joy of this music. There's nothing like a newborn babe to cheer us all up in this dark world in which we find ourselves. Keep the faith alive ... the Babe is worth it!

Soli Deo ... Tom

Monthly Lunch Bunch

The luncheon in November will be held on Wednesday November the 13th at 11:30 a.m. in the Bridges Café at the Radisson. Please let Doris know no later than Monday, Oct. 11th whether you plan to attend. Phone 717-697-4042 or email dorisagohbg@comcast.net.

Upcoming Programs

Theme: "The Well-Rounded Church Musician"

- Saturday, November 9, 2013 Organ Crawl to Washington, DC Leave Camp Hill at 7:00am and return late evening. SEE ARTICLE PAGE 1.
- Tuesday, January 14, 2014 6:30 PM Dinner / 7:30 PM Program Catered Buffet Supper at 6:30 PM followed by a Member Recital featuring New Organ Repertoire for Worship at 7:30 PM. Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 North Third Street,
 - Harrisburg; Thomas Clark-Jones, host.
- Saturday, February 8, 2014 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM (gathering at 8:30am) A rotation of church music mini-sessions . . . three offerings on varied themes: Organ presented by Shelly Moorman-Stahlman; Choral presented by Eric Riley; Handbells presented by Shawn Gingrich.
 - Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill; David Binkley, host.
- Tuesday, March 11, 2014 7:00 PM Workshop on Technology for the Church Musician.
 - Paxton United Methodist Church, 3550 North Progress Avenue, Harrisburg; Robert Bell, host.
- Saturday, April 5, 2014 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM (gathering at 9:00am)
 - Beyond the Anthem Slot: Choristers and the Congregation's Song, Introducing Psalms for All Seasons: A Complete Psalter for Worship (by Martin Tel, et al), Sue Ellen Page, clinician.
 - Derry Presbyterian Church, 248 East Derry Road, Hershey; Helen Anthony, host.
- **May** (details to be determined) Annual Chapter Business Meeting and Dinner including the Installation of Officers.

Positions Available

Director of Music: St. Michael Lutheran Church, Harrisburg, is seeking an enthusiastic and talented person for the position of Director of Music. This is a part-time position averaging 10 hours per week. St. Michael is a vibrant and affirming congregation made up of a diverse group of devoted members welcoming all to our community located on historic and beautiful State Street near the State Capitol. Candidates need to be proficient on both the organ and the piano, specifically willing to enjoy the blessings of a refurbished John Brown Tracker Organ, Responsibilities include one Sunday morning worship service per week, Wednesday evening choir rehearsal and special worship services throughout the year. Additionally, the Director of Music will need to attend scheduled meetings of the Worship and Music Committee. Candidates shall demonstrate the ability to sight read music, will have knowledge of Lutheran theology, reverent liturgical practices, and the use of music to enrich worship. The successful candidate will also have experience and competency directing a choir and be able to work well with others. The Director of Music 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 Director of Music may be asked to accompany for weddings and funerals, as available, with

From the Archivist ... THE YEAR 1937 From handwritten notes

On January 25, 1937, Dean Henry called an Executive meeting at her home to plan the "Question Box" meeting. The "Question Box" meeting was a meeting of organists and pastors to discuss various questions regarding the organists/clergy within the churches. Several suggestions were discussed, and a decision was reached to get either Dr. Sykes or Dr. Maitland to be the leader. The clergy of the churches whose organists are members of the Guild are to receive written invitations from the Guild Secretary to attend the meeting.

There must have been some issue about paying an organist for a recital at Fifth Street Methodist church. The Secretary was instructed to write to the organist and ask for an itemized bill for the Guild records. The plot thickens as reported at a meeting in April at which time a check was received from Lester Etter for \$20 to pay the organist; but the Executive Committee returned the check to Mr. Etter with thanks. The Guild would be glad to accept the check for the Treasury; but not for the purpose it was sent!

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$10.58 at a meeting in May. At this business meeting names of the candidates for offices for the coming year were read, and ballots were distributed to all present. Officers elected: Dean, Mrs. John R. Henry; Sub Dean, Mr. Clarence Heckler; Secretary, Arnold Bowman; Registrar, Miss Laura Zimmerman; Treasurer, Miss Doris Stuart; Executive Committee: Miss Sarah Spotts, Mrs. Minnie Lehr, Miss Laura Garman.

On August 21, 1937, the members of the Executive Committee and several guests motored to the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Henry at Mount Gretna. Luncheon was served in the beautiful grove below the home, and everything was enjoyable until a severe thunder storm broke up the picnic!

On October 3, 1937, Rev. A. B. Haas, of Grace Methodist church became the first Chaplain of the Chapter. A Charter for the Harrisburg Chapter AGO was received from Headquarters and presented to Mrs. Henry. The Thanksgiving service of the Chapter was held at Fifth Street Methodist church.

At a meeting on November 7, 1937, it was decided that each person attending a function of the Chapter would be charged 10 cents to help pay for refreshments. The Program committee reported an invitation to the home of Mr. VanPelt for January 11, 1938 for the Chapter members to hear a program of records on the Victrola.

Ken Walker, Archivist

The Bombarde Online

If you are willing to read *The Bombarde* online to save the chapter the cost of printing and mailing a hardcopy, please send an e-mail request to the editor, Shawn Gingrich, at <u>bombarde@harrisburgago.org</u>.

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additional compensation provided. Salary range for this position is \$10,100 - \$11,200 depending on experience. A complete job description is available from the church office at 717-234-0092. Interested persons should send their completed resume including references to St. Michael Lutheran Church, 118 State Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101-Attention: Worship & Music Committee.

- Director of Choirs / Organist: Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church, Hanover, is in search of a part time Director of Choirs to plan and coordinate the Music Ministry of the church, which includes a chancel choir and bell choir. We hope to be able to organize a children's choir and a chime choir in the future. Prior experience is necessary. We are also seeking a part-time Organist to play organ for all regularly scheduled worship services and choir rehearsals. If interested please email or call for job description, salary scale а and requirements. We are flexible and open to this being one or two positions. We are especially interested in applicants who have a vision for using their talents to enhance the music program at Mt. Carmel. If you are interested, please send your resume and cover letter to Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church. 1398 Moulstown Rd N., Hanover, PA 17331, and resumes can also be faxed to 717-632-8304, or emailed to Helen@mtcarm.net.
- **Church organist/music director**: Zion Lutheran Church, Glen Rock, PA. Seeking a musician with commitment to ministry through church music, including: experience as a member of a faith community and with church music, knowledge of church music, the Lutheran calendar, the liturgical year, and liturgical worship. Annual salary of \$14,600 -\$17,000 to be negotiated based on qualifications. This position is ¹/₄ time position with an average of 10 hours per week. Please contact Church Office at 717-235-3276 for additional information. Contact the editor or the church for a complete job description.
- **Organist / Pianist:** Mt. Zion United Church of Christ, 1054 Ridgewood Rd., York, Pa. beginning January I, 2014. We have two worship services, 8 AM & 10:30 AM each Sunday. To learn more about us, check our website: <u>www.mtzionucc.org</u>. Interested persons are asked to send a resume to the above address to the attention of the Personnel Committee.

Area Events Listing

Saturday, November 2, 2013—6:30 PM

First United Methodist Church, 520 East Birch Street, Palmyra presents a Benefit Concert for Habitat for Humanity entitled "Just Build It!" Habitat for Humanity is "A nonprofit, Christian housing ministry that believes that every man, woman, and child should have a decent, safe, and affordable place to live." The concert will feature The Hershey Handbell Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Shawn Gingrich, two praise bands, a mass choir under the direction of Mr. Tyler Canonico, and Mr. Lee Smedley as emcee. This concert is family friendly and will be a blast! There will also be fun activities and goodies following the concert.

Sunday, November 3, 2013-4:00 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents Steven Rudolph, piano with Christyan Seay & Diane Wilson, vocalists in a program of classical, gospel, and jazz music.. A freewill offering will be received. 717-737-0488 www.thechpc.org.

Sunday, November 3, 2013-4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents All Saints Vespers, Selections from Verdi's *Requiem* and other music for the Festival of All Saints. Chancel and Matins Choirs with orchestra; Timothy Koch, conductor. See article, page 5.

Sunday, November 3, 2013—6:00 PM

Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 North Third Street, Harrisburg presents well-known Welsh musician Mari Morgan in a Welsh Hymn Festival. \$10 donation suggested at the door.

Sunday, November 3, 2013-7:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. Sixth St., Lebanon presents a Requiem for all faithful departed with Henry Walford Davies' *Short Requiem* sung by the St. Luke's Festival Choir -- Offering received.

Wednesday, November 6, 2013—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist Nicholas Basehore 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.

Saturday, November 9, 2013-7:30 PM

Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 925 S. George St, York presents a Solo Handbell Concert featuring Brian A. Tricoli. A freewill offering will be received. Also donations of nonperishable food items and winter clothing will also be accepted for the community. See article, page 5.

Saturday, November 16, 2013—2:00 PM

Messiah College, Grantham presents a Group Organ Student Recital in Parmer Hall of the Calvin and Janet High Center for Worship and Performing Arts.

Sunday, November 17, 2013—3:00 PM

Market Square Presbyterian Church, 20 2nd Street, Harrisburg: Haydn's "*The Seven Last Words of Christ.*" Presented by Central PA Oratorio Singers and orchestra, directed by Eric Riley. General Admission: \$15; seniors and students: \$12. FREE parking next door in Market Square parking garage (entrance to church inside garage on second level). More info at: <u>www.cposingers.com</u>. See article, page 6.

Friday, November 22, 2013-7:00 PM

Jerusalem Lutheran Church, 36 Church Street, Rothsville will

present organist Don Kinnier accompanying Steamboat Bill, Jr., a 1928 comedy silent film featuring Buster Keaton. Don is a regular performer at Longwood Gardens and has been called "the premier silent film accompanist in the northeastern United States." He has appeared at The Philadelphia Museum of Art, The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., and numerous venues as far south as Argentina. The instrument is a combination Moeller/Walker (digitally sampled Aeolian-Skinner voices). A free-will offering will be received. The church is handicap accessible. For more information contact Roger Kurtz 717-626-1527 or <u>rogerk@dejazzd.com</u>.

Sunday, November 24, 2013-4:00 PM

Fine Arts at First, First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle presents Dickinson College Orchestra and Choir featuring Fairouz's Anything Can Happen, Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings, and the Winner of 2013 Student-Concerto Competition.

Sunday, December 1, 2013-3:00 PM

Masonic Village, Brossman Ballroom, Freemason Cultural Center, Freemason Drive, Elizabethtown 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.

Wednesday, December 4, 2013-12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist Timothy Braband 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 <u>www.thechpc.org</u>.

Friday, December 6, 2013-7:30 PM

Grantham Brethren in Christ, 421 Grantham Road, Mechanicsburg 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.

Saturday, December 7, 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 <u>www.hersheyhandbellensemble.org</u>.

Sunday, December 8, 2013—11:00 AM

Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 N Third St, Harrisburg presents Advent Music Sunday. Chamber Choir with baritone soloist Jonathan Hays. Includes the presentation of the cantata "Welcome All Wonders" by Richard Shephard, commissioned in 2005 to honor the late Donald Clapper.

Sunday, December 8, 2013-3:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey 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, December 15, 2013-4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents Christmas at Trinity Choirs, handbells and orchestra; Timothy Koch, conductor.

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Sunday, December 15, 2013-4:00 PM

Saint Patrick Cathedral, 212 State Street, Harrisburg presents The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols featuring the Cathedral Choir, the Schola Cantorum of the Diocese of Harrisburg, the Bishop McDevitt High School Concert Choir, accompanied by Cathedral Sinfonia under the direction of Nicholas Basehore. Sunday, December 15, 2013—4:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 520 East Birch Street, Palmyra presents A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols. This is a festival for choir and congregation. It is a perfect way to start your holiday! The choirs will be singing and the music will be absolutely amazing. It will be music of the Christmas season.

Sunday, December 15, 2013-6:30 PM

Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 North Third Street, Harrisburg presents Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols.

Sunday, December 22, 2013—7:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. Sixth St., Lebanon presents s service of Nine Lessons and Carols sung by the St. Luke's Festival Choir -- Offering received.

Trinity Lutheran Church 2000 Chestnut St., Camp Hill PA 17011 (717) 737-8635

www.trinitycamphill.org

presents



Candlelight Vespers for the Festival of All Saints

Choirs and orchestra including selections from Verdi's Requiem.

Sunday, November 3 4:00 PM

Elizabeth Colpo, soprano Amy Yovanovich, mezzo-soprano Brian McClinton, tenor Charles Beckley, bass

Timothy Koch, conductor Rev. Nancy Easton, cantor

Solo Handbell Concert Featuring Brian A. Tricoli

Saturday, November 9, 2013—7:30 PM Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 925 S. George St, York



Brian Tricoli has nearly 20 years of handbell experience and in his concerts plays up to 37 bells pursuing his music with an "unlimited desire to share the sights and sounds of handbells." Doors open at 7:00 with coffee and snack service. A freewill offering will be received. Also donations of non-perishable food items and winter clothing will also be accepted for community service partners. For more information contact Richard Frey, 717-476-3226 or email <u>richardefrey@gmail.com</u>.

Dickinson College Orchestra and Choir in Concert

Dickinson College Orchestra and Choir, directed by Robert Pound and Amy Wlodarski, will present an afternoon of classical music at First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle on Sunday, November 24 at 4:00 P.M.



The concert will feature Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings and Fairouz's oratorio Anything Can Happen. The 2013 winner of the annual studentconcerto competition will also be showcased.

Serenade for Strings was written by Tchaikovsky as an homage to Mozart, driven by his great admiration for Mozart's serenades. It premiered in St. Petersburg in 1881 and met with instant success.

Anything Can Happen, by criticallyacclaimed contemporary composer Mohammed Fairouz, melds Middle Eastern modes and Western structures to create a deeply expressive effect. The composition places poetry by the late Nobel Prize for Literature recipient, Seamus Heaney, into new thought-provoking and contexts. Hailed by The New York Times as "an important new artistic voice" and by The New Yorker as "an expert in vocal writing", Fairouz will attend the performance at First Lutheran Church.

Sponsored by *Fine Arts at* First, the concert is free to all. A freewill offering will be received, and a dessert reception will follow the performance. For more information, contact the church, 717-249-3310, or visit the church website: www.firstlutherancarlisle.org.

Central PA Oratorio Singers Fall 2013 Concert

featuring The Seven Last Words of Christ By Franz Josef Haydn

Chorus, Solo Quartet & Orchestra, Eric R. Riley, Conductor

Sunday November 17 ~ 3:00 p.m.

Market Square Presbyterian Church 20 S. 2nd Street, Harrisburg

Tickets at the Door \$15 or \$12 for Seniors and Students

Eric Riley wrote, "The music of Haydn is simply wonderful! There is a certain joy and gracefulness about it, no matter the subject matter. He considered his Seven Last Words of Christ to be among his best works, and the critics of his time agreed.

This is an unusual work, in that it started life as an orchestral suite. A Spanish cardinal commissioned Haydn to produce a series of orchestral "meditations" on the socalled "seven last words" from the various Gospel accounts of Jesus' crucifixion. These were to be used in Holy Week services, alternating with the utterance and sermonizing upon these seven statements of Jesus on the cross. The piece became rather popular and, at the suggestion of his publisher, Haydn produced a string quartet version that still gets performed and recorded with some frequency in our time.

Some years later, Haydn encountered a performance of this work where the local musician had added a choral component. Haydn liked the idea, and hired a librettist to provide a text which he used to compose the choral and vocal solo portions of the "oratorio" version. Each of the seven "words" in the oratorio version is "spoken" by the unaccompanied chorus before the orchestra begins the formal movement.

Performances of the oratorio version are rather rare, so what a pleasure to present some of master Haydn's best music in a way that is little heard in our time! Though rarely heard, there is also some familiarity here, as all the well-known and well-loved elements of his symphonies, string quartets, and the popular CREATION are here, along with surprising a capella singing and great drama.

The oratorio ends with an earthquake, so you don't want to miss this!"

Soloists:

Debra Hancock (soprano) Mike McKeever (tenor), Sherry Powell (soprano) James Riggs (bass) Saralee Riggs (mezzo-soprano) John Sharpe (bass)

Treasurer's Report

Cash in Bank as of 09/01/2013	\$ 10,656.69
Disbursements ()	\$ 2,827.49
Receipts (+)	\$ 877.00
Cash in Bank as of 09/30/2013*	\$ 8,706.20
*includes: \$ 693.78 (Stahle Award) \$ 2900.28 (Yocum Scholarship)	
Investments:	
Cassel CD	\$ 5,006.50
General CD	\$ 5,036.74
Reserve Savings	\$ 20,823.41
Shenk Savings	\$ 4,185.13
Throne Savings	\$ 9,135.22
Clapper/Frysinger Savings	\$ 7,200.40
Total assets as of 09/30/2013	\$ 60,093.60

American Guild of Organists, Harrisburg Chapter Board Meeting Tuesday August 13, 2013 Trinity Lutheran Church, Camp Hill

Attending: Rick Zentmeyer, Josephine Freund, Tony Ciucci, Fr. James Lease, Bob Bell, Shawn Gingrich, Tim Koch, Mary Jane Nelson, Ken Walker, Judy Schrack, Doris Savage, Brian Rotz, Kathy Gates, Ellen Hunt, Phyllis Conrad, Steve Middernacht, Tom Clark-Jones, Carol Hunter, Kay Shupp. Excused: Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, Beth Palmer

Meeting was called to order by Thomas Clark-Jones, chapter dean.

The invocation was given by Fr. James Lease, chaplain.

It was not necessary to approve the <u>May 2013</u> <u>board meeting minutes</u>, as they were previously approved electronically. The secretary requested that all board members submit electronic reports to her (via email) at least 10 days before the quarterly board meetings in August, November, February, and May. Email address is: azmon1088@gmail.com.

The <u>treasurer's report</u> was presented and filed for audit by Finance Chair Kathy Gates. Josephine Freund suggested that we procure a safety deposit box for storage of our CDs. Action: Kathy will ask Citizen's Bank for a 'free' box; or if necessary we will pay for one. It was mentioned that AGO President Eileen Guenther said that chapters should file a nonprofit tax form; our chapter does file this form. The Bombarde - Page 7

Board Meeting Minutes (Continued from page 6)

The chapter <u>audit of finances</u> was conducted by Josephine Freund and David Messner. The financial statement was reviewed and was found to be true and correct.

<u>Dean Thomas Clark-Jones</u> thanked all those who will be serving on the board in the coming year. He asked that we function 'by consensus' during his term, and it was agreed 'by consensus' to do so, unless the board feels that there is an issue that requires an official 'yes-no' vote.

<u>Sub-dean Steve Middernacht</u> reported that he and Phyllis Conrad will be coordinating <u>program events</u> for the coming year. Shawn Gingrich will be the host for the <u>August 25</u> organ event at Messiah College. At this time, there are approximately 40 people planning to attend the September 10 meeting with Guild President Eileen Guenther. The November organ crawl to Washington DC seems a "little heavy", so Steve will recheck to be sure that the group can make it to all venues within the time frame allowed. Church vans for the trip have been volunteered by Steve Middernacht and Shawn Gingrich (so far). Sites are online on the program page of the website.

Fr. Lease's 'words of wisdom' included the fact that Mexico City has splendid organs!

Shawn Gingrich reminded us that our chapter web address has changed: www.harrisburgago.org. We will not be changing package features as previously announced.

<u>Doris Savage</u> reported that the campaign to renew by June 30 was a success. Currently we have 126 members. Instructions will be forthcoming from National regarding their new January 1, 2014 procedure for their collection of our dues. Directories have been printed and are being distributed the week of August 12, 2013.

<u>Archivist Ken Walker</u> announced committee members for the coming year: Dr. Ralph Kneeream, Brian Rotz, and Kay Shupp. All archival materials given to Ken are now being sorted by year and type of document, including handwritten notes and the documents from the Chapter founding in 1935. Please remember that our archives are for our chapter members only.

<u>Phyllis Conrad</u> announced that Karen Appel has been helping with hospitality. It was established that Hospitality is responsible for hiring caterers. Reservation info for the September meeting will soon be sent out by Shawn Gingrich to members and to other chapters in the area. The menu will also be published. Cost is approximately \$22. Some people may wish to come to Eileen Guenther's after-dinner presentation only. AGO will pay for beverages, and AGO members will pay for their food.

Tim Koch announced that the <u>sub list</u> has been updated; there are currently three openings for organists in the area.

Steve Middernacht mentioned that he would like to be replaced as <u>Professional Development</u> chair since he is now sub-dean of the Chapter. Brian Rotz was nominated by Steve as new chairperson, and it was accepted by the board. Other members are Nick Basehore, Bob Bell, Brian Rotz, Don Golden and Delight St. John-Brainerd.

Mary Jane Nelson announced that she distributed information for the August 25 student/teacher organ recital at Messiah College and has requested that the information be put in members' church bulletins.

Secretary Kay Shupp was named chairperson of the newly-formed <u>Ad Hoc committee</u>, and is responsible for calling everyone together for the purpose of reviewing the new Operating Procedures document. Committee Members are: Brian Rotz, Shawn Gingrich, Tom Clark-Jones (ex officio). As outgoing dean, Ralph Kneeream will be asked to be on the committee.

<u>Other business</u>: The piano that was given to the Chapter in member Pat Frysinger's will was bought by a piano teacher. Dean Clark-Jones reminded the board of the August 25 student/teacher organ recital to be held in Parmer Hall at 4pm.

Suggestion from Shawn Gingrich: invite younger (student) representatives to be on our board. This suggestion was approved by consensus and will be added to our Operating Procedures when it is revised.

Next meeting is Tuesday, November 12 at 7pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, Camp Hill, PA.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

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HARRISBURG CHAPTER BOARD

ELECTED Officers

Dean Sub-Dean Secretary Treasurer

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Thomas Clark-Jones Steven Middernacht Kathryn Shupp Arnold Sten

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