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The Bombarde

American Guild of Organists – Harrisburg Chapter



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

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

Upcoming Programs

- ♦ Vespers Sunday, May 7 – 4:00 PM St. Catherine Labouré, Harrisburg, Father James Lease, host.
- ♦ Recital and Banquet Monica Czausz Berney, organist Sunday, June 4 – 4:00 p.m. Market Square Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg, Tyler Canonico, host. See details below.

For more information regarding programs, please contact our Sub Dean, Tyler Canonico, canonico@marketsquarechurch.org or 717-257-1270 ext. 18. All programs (except the banquet) are free and open to the public!

Annual Meeting and Banquet

The annual meeting and banquet will be held on Sunday, June 4 following the Monica Czausz Berney recital at Market Square Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg. A buffet dinner, prepared by Rebecca Briody from *Chef on the Go*, will include the following menu:

- Hors d'oeuvres
- Sesame Chicken with Honey Mustard Sauce
- Baked Ham
- Penne Pasta with Marinara and Romano Cheese
- Herbed Green Beans
- Salad Greens/Dressing
- Multigrain Bread/Rolls/Butter
- Assorted Desserts
- Assorted beverages

The cost of the dinner will be \$30.00/person and will be served at Market Square Presbyterian Church. Guests are welcome. The deadline for reservations will be Tuesday, May 23. Reservation checks can be sent to Shawn Gingrich at 1102 Ballyshannon Drive, Elizabethtown PA. Info on paying online will be forthcoming.

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Regional Competitions

Our local competition named in memory of Violette Cassel was held Saturday, April 15 at First UMC, Hershey. The judges were Ross Ellison, Ellen Hunt, and Hannah Koby. Shawn Gingrich was the competition coordinator.

Jacob Gruss, a native of Greensburg, PA and a second-year student at Julliard studying with Paul Jacobs won the first place prize and will go on to compete at the Regional Convention in White Plains, NY on July 1.

Ethan Draper, a native of Metuchen, NJ and a student of Shelly Moorman-Stahlman at Lebanon Valley College won the second-place prize. Ethan is a member of Harrisburg Chapter and serves as the young adult representative on the Board.

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Congratulations to both Jacob and Ethan!

Chapter member Abigail Wood competed in the North Virginia competition, held in Alexandria in March, and was awarded first prize also sending her forward to compete in the Regional



Left to right: Ross Ellison, Ethan Draper, Jacob Gruss, Hannah Koby, and Ellen Hunt

Convention in White Plains, NY on July 1. Abbie is a former scholarship student of the chapter, now studying at Syracuse University with Anne Laver. Congratulations Abbie!

Lunch Bunch

We have taken a little break from gathering for lunch and networking but we will meet in May. Join us for the next lunch on Wednesday, May 17 at 11:30am at Perkins 7 Erford Rd Lemoyne.

To signup visit harrisburgago.org or for more information contact: harrisburgago@gmail.com or call Shawn Gingrich at 717-877-8554.

Archivist Report

2013—2014

ELECTED OFFICERS

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

APPOINTED CHAIRPEOPLE

Archives, Kenneth C. Walker
Auditors, Josephine Freund and David Messner
Chaplain, Father James Lease
Communications and Competition, Shawn Gingrich
Directory, Membership, and Registrar, Doris Savage
Education, Shelly Moorman-Stahlman
Finance, Kathy Gates
Historian, Charles Yocum
Hospitality, Phyllis Conrad
Nominating, Shirley King
Placement, Tim Koch
Professional Development and Program, Steven Middernacht
Publicity, Mary Jane Nelson

PROGRAMS 2013



- August 25—Shenk Scholarship Student/Teacher Recital: Messiah College
- September 10—Dinner and Program with Dr. Eileen Guenther's presentation on her new book, "Rivals or Team? Clergy-Musician Relationships in the 21st Century": All Saints Episcopal Church, Hershey
- October 5—Workshop on Chant presented by Italian organist Elena Sartori: Market Square Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg
- October 6—Organ Concert with Italian organist Elena Sartori: Market Square Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg
- November 9—Organ Crawl to Washington, DC



2014

- January 14—Dinner followed by Member Recital featuring new organ music for worship: Pine Street Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg
- February 8—A rotation of church music mini-sessions: Organ presented by Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, Choral presented by Eric Riley and Handbells presented by Shawn Gingrich: Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, Camp Hill
- March 11—Workshop on Technology for the Church Musician by Robert Bell: Paxton United Methodist Church, Harrisburg
- April 5—Beyond the Anthem Slot introducing "Psalms For All Seasons" with Sue Ellen Page as clinician: Derry Presbyterian Church, Hershey.
- May 12—The Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers at the Civic Club of Harrisburg with a

social hour followed by dinner and a brief business meeting. A program of solo handbell music presented by Chapter members Shawn Gingrich and Helen Anthony (accompanist) concluded the evening.

FROM THE BOMBARDES

- The first recital made possible by the bequests to the Chapter by Donald Clapper and Patricia Frysinger was presented by Nicholas Capozzoli, winner of the 2013 Region III American Guild of Organists Quimby Competition, on May 31 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Camp Hill.
- The AGO National convention was held in Boston.
- The National Office of the American Guild of Organists announced that the ONCARD system for members to renew membership directly with National will be available to all local Chapters.
- Eleven Chapter members traveled to Washington DC on November 9, 2013, for an organ crawl.

Ken Walker
Archivist

Positions Available

There are numerous positions listed on the website. We encourage you to visit www.harrisburgago.org/placement for the most up-to-date information.

Area Events

Please visit the website for the listing of events: www.harrisburgago.org/area-events
Events listed are those submitted to the editor.

Handel's Messiah Sing In

SINGERS and LISTENERS

Save the date:

Saturday, November 11, 2023

Scholarship Fundraiser
sponsored by the

Harmonia Music Association and
co-sponsored with Lebanon Valley College

Held in LVC Miller Chapel
Performance time 3:00 P.M.

Dr. Mark Mecham, Director
Dr. Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, Organist

Soloists:

Jessica Weidman, Soprano
Amy Yovanovich, Mezzo/Alto
Jonathan Walker-Vankuren, Tenor
Jason Widney, Bass/Baritone

More details will be forthcoming.
Donations accepted for Harmonia's Scholarship Fund.

Finance Report

Shawn Gingrich, treasurer

Balance in Checking as of 11/20/2022	\$1,857.86
Balance in Checking as of 2/15/2023	\$1,534.39

Invested Funds as of 11/23/2022

Harrisburg AGO Savings ¹	\$3,853.77
Thrivent Investment Fund ¹	\$47,797.93
Frances Bishop Fund	\$134,118.14
Total	\$196,761.79

Invested Funds as of 2/15/2023

Harrisburg AGO Savings ²	\$3,814.75
Thrivent Investment Fund ²	\$50,678.52
Frances Bishop Fund	\$142,306.47
Total	\$198,334.13

NOTES:

¹Harrisburg AGO Savings is the total of the HAGO savings and the Thrivent Investment Fund. Detail as of 11/23/2022:

Cassel Competition Fund	\$4,529.70
Clapper-Frysinger Bequests	\$3,199.96
Reserve Savings	\$21,222.64
Shenk Scholarship Fund	\$8,867.42
Throne Fund	\$6,745.47
Yocum Scholarship Fund	\$7,086.51

³Harrisburg AGO Savings is the total of the HAGO savings and the Thrivent Investment Fund. Detail as of 2/15/2023:

Cassel Competition Fund	\$4,782.57
Clapper-Frysinger Bequests	\$3,378.60
Reserve Savings	\$22,407.42
Shenk Scholarship Fund	\$9,362.45
Throne Fund	\$7,080.11
Yocum Scholarship Fund	\$7,482.12

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HARRISBURG CHAPTER BOARD

ELECTED

Officers

Dean	Justin Myers
SubDean	Tyler Canonico
Secretary	Justin Pechulis
Treasurer	Shawn Gingrich

Members at Large

2020—2024	Deb Dillane, Robert Lau, Dan Stokes
2022—2026	Ellen Hunt, Andrew Meade, Grant Wareham

APPOINTED COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Archivist / Historian	Kenneth Walker
Chaplain	Fr. James Lease
Communications (Newsletter, Emailed Quick News, Website)	Shawn Gingrich
Competition	(to be appointed)
Education	Andrew Meade
Finance	Shawn Gingrich
Hospitality	Phyllis Conrad
Membership	Justin Pechulis
Placement	Ellen Hunt
Program	Tyler Canonico
Publicity	John Robinson
Registrar	Justin Pechulis

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Submission to The Bombarde

The deadline for *The Bombarde* is the fifteenth of Dec, Mar, Jun, Sep for the following quarter's edition unless otherwise noted. Whenever possible, please submit your items in electronic format. For area events, please follow the format.



Deadline for inclusion in the third quarter 2023 newsletter is June 15, 2023.

Please send **all** submissions to:
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