



PIPELINES

NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

APRIL, 2014

FROM THE DEAN

Sunny and clear skies greetings to you FINALLY! I am looking forward to seeing many of you again at our April 7 dinner and meeting at Covenant Presbyterian Church. ALVIN BLOUNT will be presenting a sacred organ repertoire session. He is currently the Director of Music and Worship at St. Mary on the Hill Catholic Church in Augusta, Georgia. Alvin is active as a recitalist, choral conductor and is Dean of the Augusta AGO Chapter.

April is the month in which we elect chapter officers for the coming year. Ballots will be available as you register for dinner on April 7. You might want to arrive a little early, so that we can expedite dinner payment, nametags, and voting. A sample ballot appears in this issue with directions for absentee voting. Please refer to last month's *Pipelines* for information on the nominees.

April holds many performance and special worship opportunities. Everyone is busy preparing his/her own programs, but take time to attend at least one other concert or service. I am always rewarded with new ideas and inspiration by hearing other musicians. And the collegial support is always encouraging too!

With charity and good will to all,
Marsha Scheusner, Dean

The organ is the grandest, the most daring, the most magnificent of all instruments invented by human genius.

— Honore de Balzac

APRIL PROGRAM – MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2014

SACRED ORGAN REPERTOIRE

Alvin Blount, presenter

<http://www.alvinblount.com>

DINNER — 6:30 PM CONCERT — 7:30 PM

Covenant Presbyterian Church 33 Burton Hills Boulevard Nashville, TN 37215

Dinner Reservations are due by March 26.

You can make and pay your reservation online at <www.nashvilleago.org>, click on Dinner Reservations, or contact Linda Winters at <agodinner@gmail.com> or phone Linda at 615-456-2065.

AN INVITATION TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE NASHVILLE CHAPTER, AGO

We are fortunate as a Chapter to have so many gifted organists who labor weekly in the trenches of voluntaries, hymns, and liturgical, instrumental, and choral accompaniments. With demands of the Sunday-after-Sunday grind, few of us have the opportunity to prepare and present organ pieces beyond those time and place limitations.

To open the 2014–2015 Program Year, the Nashville Chapter will showcase the wealth of talent of our own AGO Chapter. EVERY MEMBER is invited to perform in the NASHVILLE AGO MEMBERS' RECITAL, to be held Monday, September 8, 7:30 pm, at Covenant Presbyterian Church.

A lottery will be drawn of submitted members' names at our May 5th chapter dinner, and eight persons will be chosen to prepare 6–10 minutes of literature of their own selection to be presented in concert at the September program. Names of interested performers must be submitted to Program Chair, Jonathan Setzer, by Wednesday, **April 30**.

Submit your name today, and be part of the concert to open the 81st season of the Nashville Chapter!

Jonathan Setzer, Sub-Dean & Program Chair
setzerjc@gmail.com
615-415-1735 (call or text)

JOB OPENINGS

Brenthaven Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Brentwood, TN is seeking an organist/accompanist for one Sunday morning service, Wednesday night rehearsals and special services. Applicants must be accomplished on piano as well as organ. For information, please contact the church at 615-373-4826.

Donelson Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN is seeking a choir director and an organist (prefer two people, but would consider hiring one for both positions). Duties include Sunday morning services and Wednesday night rehearsals, collaborating with other staff to plan worship experiences consistent with liturgical themes and being available as a resource for music education programs. Qualifications include bachelor's degree or higher in music and/or equivalent professional experience. Resumés can be emailed to <dpcmusicsearch@gmail.com>.

First Presbyterian Church, Lewisburg, TN is seeking an organist for one Sunday morning service and Wednesday night rehearsal each week, beginning April 27, 2014. Bachelor's degree in music is preferred but not required. Specifications for the Kilgen 2/11 (1900) organ can be seen at www.nashvilleago.org. Please contact Bill Lawrie at <blawrie12@att.net> for further information.

Trinity United Methodist Church, Franklin, TN is seeking an accompanist for one Sunday morning worship service and Wednesday night rehearsal, plus special services. Applicants must be accomplished on piano/keyboard and in sight-reading (organ skills desired, but not required). Please submit resumé, with references, to Lynn McGill, Director of Music at <Lynn.McGill@comcast.net> (Phone 615-804-1878) or Rev. Dennis Meaker at <djmeaker@gmail.com>.

Charlotte Hughes, Placement Chair

AVAILABLE SUBSTITUTES

An updated Substitute list may be found on our chapter website <www.nashvilleago.org>



Guest Organist, Wyatt Smith, with Dean Marsha Scheusner, at St. Andrew Lutheran Church after his concert on a snowy night last month.

Developing Keyboard Technique and Maintaining It for Life

A Workshop by Wilma Jensen

at Brentwood United Methodist Church, 309 Franklin Rd, Brentwood, TN 37027

Saturday, April 26, 2014

Workshop A

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Workshop B (optional)

3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

- Explanation of natural hand motions for keyboard
- Demonstration of developing various touches:
 - Legato
 - Over-legato
 - Leggiero
 - Arm-vibration touch (martellato)
 - Various lengths of staccatos
 - Toccata touch, and
 - Pulling-out fast touch
- Effect of controlled touches on Interpretation

Open session for anyone to play short passages of repertoire which use different types of touches for supervision and assistance

RSVP to wilmajensen@comcast.net

ONCARD – Online National Collection and Remittal of Dues

American Guild of Organists

March 20, 2014

The method of collecting AGO dues for 2014-2015 will be different than in the past. Rather than members paying dues to a local chapter and having that chapter forward a portion of those dues to national headquarters, National will now be responsible for invoicing and collecting dues from all members. National will then return the chapter's portion of those dues as well as any other chapter-specific funds (such as our local Endowment Fund) collected during dues renewal.

Each AGO member will receive an invoice for dues, either through email or U.S. Mail, depending on whether National has an email address for you. ONCARD will provide a way to pay your invoice online using a credit card. Invoices can also be paid by writing a check and mailing it to National. Members who don't want to pay by credit card can send a check to the National office along with a copy of their invoice.

If your church pays your AGO dues, you will be able to print out your invoice and give it to the responsible person at your church. Ask him or her to include the printed copy of the invoice when the check is mailed to National.

Each AGO member will be able to use ONCARD to:

1. Update his/her personal data (such as your email address or mailing address).
2. Make contributions to specific chapter and national funds.
3. Print a copy of your dues invoice.

Each member of the Nashville Chapter who has an email address should have received an email inviting them to logon to ONCARD and check their personal data and update it if necessary.

We expect this new process for paying dues to make our treasurer's work much easier. We will try to keep you informed about new features as they are added to ONCARD and hope that you will find it easy to use.

If you want to read more about ONCARD, go to the AGO National website (www.agohq.org) and click on the appropriate link for more information. **You may also contact Gary Scott, who has been selected as the ONCARD liaison for the Nashville Chapter.**

MEMBER NEWS

Welcome New Members:

Elizabeth J Kent

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Nashville, Tennessee 37217
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ekent1231@gmail.com
Substitute

David Madeira

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Nashville, TN 37215
615-243-7974
dmadeira@stbs.net
David is Director of Music, St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Nashville

Anne Aycock has moved to Chattanooga, and we wish her well. She will become a dual member of our chapter and of the Chattanooga Chapter. Her email address and mobile phone remain the same.

ARTS CALENDAR

3/27 — 12:00 PM

Zachary Bowers, Marimba
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville 37203

4/3 — 12:00 PM

Daniel Russell, Organ
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville 37203

4/4 — 8:00 PM

Duo Piano Recital Marilyn Shields-Wiltsie and Steve Alan Hyman
McAfee Concert Hall of Belmont University
2100 Belmont Blvd., Nashville, 37212

4/6 — 4:00 PM

Christ Church Cathedral Chorister Festival Evensong
Christ Church Cathedral Senior Choristers and Regional Guests
Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville
900 Broadway, Nashville 37203
Ben Hutto, Guest Director,
Michael Velting, Canon for Music,
Jon Johnson, Associate Organist and Choirmaster

4/6 — 4:00 PM

“Requiem” by Maurice Duruflé and
“I Was Glad” by C. H. H. Parry
Final from “Symphonie No.1” for Organ & Orchestra by Alexandre Guilmant
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville 37203
Chancel Choir and Orchestra,
Don Marler, Conductor
Andrew Risinger, Organ

4/10 — 12:00 PM

Beyond Pluck — Paula Bressman & Rachel Miller, Harpists
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville 37203

4/12 (Saturday) — 4:00 PM

Organ Concert and Tour
Thomas Russell, Organ
Covenant Presbyterian Church
33 Burton Hills Blvd., Nashville, TN 37215

4/13 — 4:00 PM

J. S. Bach “Passion According to St. John”
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville 37220
FPC Sanctuary Choir & Nashville Symphony Orchestra

4/27 — 3:00 PM

Spring Concert
Nashville Chamber Singers
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
116 N Academy St., Murfreesboro 37130

5/5 — 6:30 PM

“Cinco de Mayo” Dinner
The Nashville Chamber Choir
Installation of Officers
Eileen Guenther,, National AGO President
St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
4800 Belmont Park Terrace
Nashville, TN 37215



OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR NASHVILLE AGO OFFICERS FOR 2014-2015

Ballots to be turned in at the April 7 meeting;
instructions for those not attending this meeting are found below.

Dean-Elect (vote for one)

- Nick Bergin
- Keith Cole

Secretary (vote for one)

- Gary Scott
- Rhonda Swanson

Treasurer (vote for one)

- Joyce Byrd
- James Jordan

Executive Committee (vote for three)

- Justin Bowen
- Marjorie Proctor
- Elizabeth Smith
- Sandy Tipping
- Hank Woerner

Instructions for Mailing Absentee Ballot

1. Print this ballot and mark your votes.
2. Seal your ballot in an envelope addressed to:
Thomas N. Moody
311 West Cedar Street
Franklin, KY 42134
3. On the back flap of the envelope, write you AGO membership number (which may be found on the mailing label of your *The American Organist* magazine), and sign the envelope. Once received, your ballot will be separated from the envelope, so your vote will remain anonymous.
4. Mail the envelope in time for your ballot to be **delivered by April 4**. Mailed ballots received after April 4 will not be counted.