

DEAN'S LETTER

Dear Friends:

As spring approaches, please remember to visit the American Guild of Organists national website (www.agohq.org/home.html) for up-to-date information on programs and opportunities for all members. Many of you will recall the magnificent experience of last summer's Region III Convention in Baltimore; plan to build upon that experience by attending the AGO National Convention in Minneapolis - Saint Paul Minnesota this summer, from June 22-26! Although the early registration period has ended, there is still time to join the 1000+ people who have already registered. View all of the details by clicking on the AGO '08 convention link.

Another item of interest found at the national website includes registration information for Pipe Organ Encounters (7 POE's for teens, plus 2 POE+'s for Adults) This is the time to encourage your young piano and organ students to attend! Finally, be sure to check out "International Year of the Organ," "Organ Spectacular," and click on the link to listen to the winning compositions in the American Guild of Organists "New Music Competition."

Also available at the national website are numerous resources to help organists at every skill level. Please visit this site each week and take advantage of the opportunity to learn a new skill or connect with colleagues and friends through chapter, regional or national activities.. Just as the people in leadership of churches and temples must continue seeking ways to foster healthy ties with their musicians, so must we continue developing our skills as pastors, teachers and musicians. Remember that the Guild is here, in part, to help everyone achieve that goal.

Jason Kissel. Dean

Professional wisdom from a Professional

Those who braved an early Saturday morning on January 19 were treated to a wonderful morning of challenging ideas, inspiring stories and musical interpretations by clinician Sondra Proctor. She supplied our chapter with numerous handouts on AGO pay scales, sample contracts, and a mentoring program, all of which will be available at future meetings.

Sondra's central message was a challenge: "If you want to be treated like a professional, you need to act like one." She laid out guidelines for our responsibilities concerning practice and preparation for services, collaboration with clergy, and ministry to the congregation. Her suggestions for résumés and interviews were also helpful. Her demonstration on conducting from the console was an exercise in "neck flexibility," as she emphasized good posture, economy of movement, and conducting from the neck. Those who came also enjoyed our first ever music and book exchange, something we hope to continue in the future.

All in all, it was the kind of thought-provoking morning that we hope more of our chapter members will take advantage of in the future.

Don't miss our next program. . . .

An evening of Improvisation from the Console

Featuring local and regional artists demonstrating a variety of musical styles

Saturday, April 12, 2008 --- 8:00 p.m.

Grace United Methodist Church

🎵 Noteworthy 🎵

Notices of events sponsored by AGO members will be given priority when space is limited

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

James Harp will accompany silent horror film "The Hunchback of Notre Dame"

St. Cecilia Society of St Mark's Church
1900 St. Paul Street
2:00 p.m.

Maryland State Boychoir
Montpelier Mansion
9650 Muirkirk Road, Laurel
3:00 p.m.

Chamber Music by Candlelight
Musicians of the BSO
Community Concerts at Second
4200 St. Paul Street
7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Celebrating the centennial of Olivier Messiaen
Jonathan Moyer plays his complete organ works in
four recitals at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen

Future dates: June 8
September 7
November 23
5:30 p.m for each concert

Organ Recital with Violin and Trumpet
James and John Anthony, organ
Jeff Howard, violin; Luis Engelke, trumpet
Taylor and Boody organ
St. John's Church
3738 Butler Road, Glyndon
5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

Kaleidoscopes of Song
Lura Johnson, piano, in works of
Rachmaninoff, Scriabin, Debussy, Ravel,
Schubert
Central Presbyterian Church
7308 York Road, Towson
4:00 p.m.

Anabelinda DeCastro and Vincent Henningfield
Pianists
Performing Arts at St. Mary of the Assumption
5500 York Road, Baltimore
4:00 p.m.

Bach Concert Series

Cantata 210 *O holder Tag*
Orchestra and Daniel Hoffner, organ
Pamela Cooper-White, speaker
Christ Lutheran Church
701 S. Charles Street, Baltimore
www.bachinbaltimore.org
4:00 p.m.

Choral Evensong

Canticles of Herbert Howells and Palestrina
Following, organist Ted Davis will play
Vierne's Organ Symphony No. 3
Casavant-Storey organ
St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
4711 Edmondson Ave. (At Uplands)
www.stbartholomew.ang-md.org
4:30 p.m.

Maryland State Boychoir

Choral Evensong and Concert
Saint John's Episcopal Church
9120 Frederick Road, Ellicott City
4:00 p.m.

Kaori Hongo, in recital

presenting Petr Eben's epic work Job
Scripture readings by actor Sheldon Smith
Epiphany Episcopal Church
2216 Pot Spring Road
5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

Svetoslav Stoyanov, percussion
Community Concerts at Second
4200 St. Paul Street
3:30 p.m.

Choral Evensong

Bach *Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied*
Evening Service - Everett Titcomb
Church of the Redeemer
5603 N. Charles Street
5:00 p.m.

Maryland State Boychoir

Sts. Peter and Paul R. C. Church
1210 S. Washington St., Easton
3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, cont.

Beth Miller Ryan, mezzo-soprano
Beverly Diaz, soprano
Maryland Boychoir Center for the Arts
3400 Norman Ave.
\$10 adults, \$5 students
4:00 p.m.

Mozart "Requiem"
Soloists, Chancel Choir, Jason Kissel- organ
Kathie Metz - director
Towson U. Meth. Church
501 Hampton Lane
2:30 p.m.

Washington Balalaika Society Russian Folk Orchestra
Catonsville Presbyterian Church
1400 Frederick Road
3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

"The Ten Commandments" silent film
accompanied by James Harp
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
1900 St. Paul Street
2:00 p.m.

Chamber Music by Candlelight
Musicians of the BSO
Community Concerts at Second
4200 St. Paul Street
7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 21

Service of the Passion
Rossini's *Stabat Mater*
Chancel Choir and Soloists
Grace United Methodist Church
5407 N. Charles Street
12 noon

Bach Concert Series
St John Passion
Christ Lutheran Church
701 S. Charles Street, Baltimore
www.bachinbaltimore.org
7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

Carol Lord Openhym
Maryland State Boychoir Center for the Arts
3400 Norman Ave.
\$10 adults, \$5 students
4:00 p.m.

**The Sympathy of the Baltimore
Chapter AGO is extended to**

the family of
Charles Laire

longtime member of the chapter,
who died January 29, 2008

A memorial service was held on February 9 at St.
David's Episcopal Church.

The family requests in lieu of flowers that donations in
his memory be made the Baltimore Chapter AGO.

To the family of
Gerard J. Klein

who died December 2, 2007 at the age of 66 at his
home in Severn, MD after a year-long struggle with
cancer.

His friend Paul Welch, Dean of the Cincinnati
Chapter AGO, writes "until shortly before his death,
he was Senior Financial Officer of Rolls Royce Naval
Marine. Throughout his life he was also devoted to
church music and the organ, directing choral perfor-
mances and supervising the installation of a new pipe
organ at St. John the Evangelist Church in Severna
Park where he was director of music for many years.
With his wife Mary he regularly attended the Berk-
shire Choral Festival in Sheffield, MA. In recent years
he was also director of music at St. Maria Goretti
Church in Pawtucket, RI, and Divinity Lutheran
Church in Towson. A Mass of Christian Burial was
celebrated December 10 at St. John the Evangelist in
Severna Park with combined choirs of several
churches."

To the family of
Naomi L. Tscheulin

who died January 22, 2008 at the age of 73.
Naomi had been a long-time member of this chapter
before illness forced her retirement from her position
at Loch Raven United Methodist Church.
Date for a memorial service tba.

1909 ESTEY PIPE ORGAN AVAILABLE

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(flat radiating pedalboard), third keyboard for stop
action, mechanical coupler action, bellows have been
replaced with small regulator in good condition. Oak
case; bench. Set up and in working order. Excellent
organ for home, chapel or small church. Contact Rev.
Peggy Johnson, Christ Church for the Deaf, Arbutus -
RevPink@aol.com

PLACEMENT SERVICE –February, 2008

BRUCE EICHER

202 Cinder Road, Timonium, MD 21093

410-561-9948 **E-mail:** BruceEicher@verizon.net

There is a non-refundable fee of \$15 for all church listings.

ST. ALBAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH , 105 First Avenue, SW, Glen Burnie, MD 21061. 100-member congregation seeking part time Music Director for one weekly service, and weekly rehearsals for Handbell and singing choirs. Approximately ten hours per week. Two-manual Rogers, 1996, organ. Three-octaves of bells. Salary: \$8000. No benefits. (This is an hourly contract position. Director need not be present at all services.) **Contact:** Joe Biddle, 410-599-4830. (Nov07)

CATONSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 1400 Frederick Avenue, Catonsville, MD 21228. 500-member congregation seeking Organist/Accompanist for one weekly service and one weekly rehearsal. Approximately 10-12 hours per week. 1960 M. P. Möller Pipe Organ (now being upgraded). Salary: \$10,000-\$12,000, commensurate with experience. **Contact:** David Hutton, 410-945-6711. **E-mail:** dhutton1@verizon.net (Nov07)

SECOND CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST , 5720 Old Court Road, Baltimore, MD 21244. 50-member congregation seeking and Organist for one Sunday service, one rehearsal before the service with the soloist. Approximately 1 ½ hours required. 1968 2-manual Allen Organ. Salary: \$85 per service. Four Sundays of paid vacation. **Contact:** Marie Bower, (H): 410-465-7722, (W): 410-884-9100 **E-mail:** bower.marie@gmail.com (Dec07)

DICKEY MEMEORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6112 Wetheredsville Road, Baltimore, MD 21207. 120-member church seeking an Organist/Director combined for one weekly service and one rehearsal. Approximately 9-12 hours per week. 1982 Rodgers two-manual organ. Salary: \$10,000-12,000 commensurate with experience. Six weeks paid vacation. **Contact:** Phillip Branner, (Day) 410-276-7248, (Eve) 410-486-4665. **E-mail:** philbranner@comcast.net (Dec07)

"Many things I have tried to grasp and have lost. That which I have placed in God's hands, I still have."

-- Martin Luther

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ST. MARK'S ON THE HILL, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikeville, MD 21208. 150-member church seeking an Organist/Director for one weekly service and one weekly choir rehearsal. Approximately 10 hours per week. 23-rank Wilhelm Tracker organ. Salary: \$10,000-13,000 with 2 weeks paid vacation, sick leave, and music budget Contact The Rev. Adrian Dawson, 410-486-3016 or at address above.. (Feb08)

Welcome to a new member

Samuel Jonathan Ray, Jr.

6434 Miami Ave., Glen Burnie, MD 21060

r4samu@aol.com

SUBSTITUTE ORGANISTS

Listing is for a period of one year and is free to AGO members, \$40 fee (non-refundable) to non-members. It is the responsibility of the individual to renew the listing at the yearly registration. Contact Placement Director Bruce Eicher, 410-561-9948. **Publication of the names is a convenience to users and does not imply endorsement of individuals by the Baltimore Chapter AGO.**

(The names listed are available for any service as Organist/Director for all denominations any day unless indicated otherwise.)

Clinton Adams	(410) 889-6142	
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Warren Glock	(410) 661-1004	Unavailable Sunday AM
Stephen Heaver, Jr.	(410) 235-6144	Unavailable Sundays from Sept.-May
John Holland	(410) 323-3322	Funerals, weddings, weekday services.
John Igoe	(410) 869-8590	e-mail: jmidad@comcast.net
Jonel Jones	(410)889-8688	
Diane Kline	(410) 337-4948	Unavailable Sunday AM
Melody Knight	(410) 790-6308	Org/Dir and Vocal soloist. Unavailable Sunday AM
Charles Laire	(410) 243-2181	
Len Langrick	(443) 257-3300	Unavailable Sunday AM, RC Masses, weddings, funerals
		e-mail: llangrick@towsonpres.org
Jack Lauderdale	(410) 531-2670	e-mail: lauderdales2@verizon.net
Vernene Rodgers Lenz	(410) 833-4427	
Ruth Loyer	(717) 424-6739	Also plays Viola.
Diane Luchese	(410) 435-3424	Weekends only
Kathryn Master	(410) 340-2212	(Also plays flute) e-mail: kmastermusic@aol.com
Louise Null	(410) 377-6164	
Renata O'Reilly	(410) 869-7334	Unavailable Sunday AM
Daniel Bennett Page	(301) 946-0919	Weekends and evenings. cell: 301-821-7230, Cantor/organ/choral
		e-mail: DanielBennettPage@hotmail.com
Michele Prokopchak	(301) 989-2238	
George Sack	(410) 821-0244	Available weekends only.
Heather Traxler	(443) 929-0057	Pianist. Service playing, teaching. htraxler@hotmail.com
Brenda Weiser	(301) 865-6113	e-mail: brenda.weiser@comcast.net
Charlotte Young	(410) 857-9004	n3hgd@arrl.net Protestant, unavailable Sunday AM

Suggested fees: Wedding service \$200 (rehearsal \$50 extra); Funeral/Memorial service \$125. Please note these fees are the recommended minimum as adopted by the Executive Board, September 2002.

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Charles Laire - deceased

Charles Swinderman:

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Al Murrell - address unknown

Charles Hayes - new e-mail

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Please inform the editor and registrar of pending relocations - returned mail costs the chapter money!