

PIPELINES

NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

APRIL, 2017

Dear Nashville Colleagues:

What a wonderful evening we had at Saint Andrew Lutheran Church! Thanks to Darryl and Susie Miller, Marsha Scheusner, and the staff for making us feel so welcome. What about our "Three under 30"? Nick Bergin, Caitlin Dowling, and Michael Gebhart are wonderful examples of the talent, artistry, and dedication evident in our chapter and our musical community; they prepared well and magnificently presented a varied and interesting program. Thank you, thank you!

We'll gather on April 3rd at Immanuel Baptist Church for a choral program by Angela Tipps and her MTSU Women's Chorale. One of our former deans, Angela is well known in our community for her excellent choral leadership and programming. The dinner at Immanuel is always scrumptious, so I know we'll have food for the soul and for the body that evening.

Please note that there's been a change in our May program; originally, we were scheduled to be at Westminster Presbyterian Church. You may be aware that Westminster is in the midst of large renovations, which have now hit a snag; the organ won't be available until later this year, and we'll shift a visit to Westminster to the 2017-2018 programming year. Melissa Emerson and Calvary United Methodist Church have stepped into the breach and will host our May program, which will be Jazz Vespers and installation of officers. Sam Levine is organizing the instrumentalists, and I expect this will be a lovely evening as we gather together, dine, and then worship together.

Thank you for the privilege of serving the Chapter and for your comments, suggestions, and support.

Your Dean,
Rhonda Swanson

MARCH PROGRAM — MONDAY, APRIL 3 — 7:30 PM

MTSU WOMEN'S CHORUS IN CONCERT

Angela Tipps, Conductor

Immanuel Baptist Church • 222 Belle Meade Boulevard • Nashville, Tennessee 37205

DINNER — 6:30 PM — Reservations, *due by March 29*,

can be made online @ www.nashvilleago.org, click on Dinner Reservations, or contact Linda Winters at 615-456-2065 or @ AGOdinner@gmail.com (*note new e-mail*)

Cost of dinner: \$18



MTSU WOMEN'S CHORUS

Angela Tipps, Conductor

Kimberly Hopkins, Pianist

THE MTSU WOMEN'S CHORALE is made up of some of the university's most talented female voices. Usually half of the singers are music majors, while the others represent many other academic disciplines – from psychology to horse science. The Chorale performs a variety of styles of music, from major works for treble voices to folk songs and Broadway selections. In addition, they regularly appear with the other university choirs for performances of oratorios with orchestra.

ANGELA TIPPS conducts the MTSU Women's Chorale, teaches conducting, and coordinates the many sections of music appreciation offered as a general education course. She is a 1985 graduate of MTSU in organ performance, and received a Master of Church Music degree from Scarritt Graduate School in Nashville. Angela is the organist and director of music at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Murfreesboro. In demand as a conductor and clinician, Tipps has conducted the Virginia All-State Mixed Choir, the Tennessee Governors School for the Arts, and several regional choral festivals. Angela is a past president of the Tennessee chapter of the American Choral Directors Association, and past dean of the Savannah, Georgia, and Nashville, Tennessee chapters of the AGO. She served on the national AGO denominational relations committee. In addition to her work at MTSU and St. Paul's, Tipps is the founding Musical Director of the Nashville Chamber Singers, an ensemble dedicated to performing unaccompanied choral music of all styles. Their third CD, "20 Years: Live," was available December 2016. The Nashville Chamber Singers have performed at the Ryman Auditorium, a concert which was recorded for NPR's "Performance Today." They have performed at the American Choral Directors Association, the Tennessee Music Education Association, and premiered Dr. Rosephanye Powell's "The Lamentations of Jeremiah" with organ and orchestra at the 2012 national convention of the AGO.

APRIL DINNER MENU FROM RICHARD SHADINGER:

strawberry fields salad, slowed-cooked braised beef, Boursin cheese mashed potatoes, roasted seasonal vegetables, and chocolate cheesecake.

MEMBER NEWS

Condolences to **Pat Parris** on the loss of his father-in-law, and to **Marsha Scheusner** on the loss of her mother.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

To **join** Nashville AGO or renew your membership:
www.agoHQ.org/oncard

To update your information for our online Chapter Directory: www.nashvilleago.org

Janet Schmidt, Nashville AGO Membership Chair
janetrsmith@gmail.com

2016-2017 CHAPTER PROGRAMS

Monday, April 3

MTSU Women's Chorus/

Angela Tipps, conductor

Immanuel Baptist Church

Monday, May 1

(note new program and location)

Jazz Vespers

Installation of Officers

Calvary United Methodist Church

3701 Hillsboro Pike, Nashville

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CONVENTION

June 11-14, 2017

Jacksonville and St. Augustine, Florida



AGO SE 2017

JACKSONVILLE • ST. AUGUSTINE

Registration for the AGO Southeast Regional Convention is open.

<http://www.agojax2017.com>

Location is the Bold City and the Oldest City with a riverfront convention hotel, beaches, and historic and tourist destinations.

World-class artists include Raúl Prieto Ramírez, Christopher Houlihan, Chelsea Chen, and

Jan Kraybill. Final banquet and concert are in the riverfront Jacoby Symphony Hall.

AGO DUES CHANGES

A new membership dues schedule was approved at the January 2017 meeting of the AGO National Council. Several notable changes were also made to membership categories. All changes take effect on April 1st for new members, and on the renewal date for renewing members with expiration dates beginning on or after July 1, 2017. Modest increases were made across all membership categories. Here are the details:

- A discount of \$8 is available to all members who elect to receive electronic delivery of TAO rather than a printed copy.
- The Student membership category (for full-time students) was eliminated and replaced with the Young Organist membership category (under age 30).
- The Partner membership category was eliminated.
- If you are a Regular or Special member, your dues will increase by \$5. However, if you choose electronic delivery of TAO, your dues will go down by \$3.
- If you are a Student member, your dues will go up by \$10 when you renew as a Young Organist. If you choose electronic delivery of TAO, your dues will go up by only \$2.
- If you are a Partner member, your dues will go up by \$30 if you renew as a Regular member and by \$5 if you renew as a Special member. If you choose electronic delivery of TAO, your dues will go up by \$22 if you renew as a Regular member or down by \$3 if you renew as a Special member.

TAO will remain available in electronic form to ALL members through the AGO website.

Membership Category Descriptions:

First rate shown includes print copy of TAO; second rate does not include print copy

Regular – Ages 30-64 - \$105 / \$97

Special – Ages 65 and older - \$80 / \$72

Young Organist – Under age 30 - \$50 / \$42

Regular Dual – 2nd chapter or more - \$41

Young Organist Dual – 2nd chapter or more - \$18

Chapter Friend (Nashville Chapter) – rate to be set at next Executive Committee meeting

Gary Scott, Treasurer and ONCARD Liaison

NATIONAL AGO HEADQUARTERS AND TAO

AGOHQ.org

JOB OPENINGS

First United Methodist Church, McMinnville, TN, has an opening for an organist for one Sunday service (10:30 AM) and Wednesday night rehearsal each week, as well as any special services during the church year. Salary is negotiable. Contact Donna Campbell, Director of Music, at 931-808-8415 or Senior Pastor Tommy Vann at 931-473-4419 (church) or 931-626-9388 (cell).

Grace Baptist Church, Nashville is seeking someone to fill the position of organist. It is a part-time position requiring around six hours a week on campus. We require up to three hours on Wednesday evenings for worship and choir rehearsal and about three hours on Sundays for worship with special events extra. Those interested may contact David Harbison at dharbison@gbcnashville.com or by calling (615) 865-6262.

Historic Franklin Presbyterian Church, Franklin, TN is seeking a part-time Director of Music. Duties include playing organ for two Sunday morning services (8:00 AM and 11:00 AM) and special services during the church year, as well as rehearsing and conducting the adult choir, which rehearses on Wednesday nights from 7:15-8:30. Contact the church office for more information at secretary@historic-franklinpresbyterian.org.

Rivermont Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), Chattanooga, TN is accepting applications/resumes for the part-time position of organist – responsibilities include playing organ, accompanying the choir, and accompanying occasional soloists for the 11:00 AM Sunday service and Wednesday evening choir rehearsal. Special services will also be included. Send resumes and inquiries to rpcorganist@gmail.com or mail to the church C/O Beth Russell. Mailing address is 3319 Hixson Pike, Chattanooga, TN 37415.

St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Murfreesboro is seeking applicants for a part-time Worship Pianist/Organist to provide piano and organ accompaniment that supports the music and worship ministries of the church. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter describing their interest and professional résumé, including contact information for three references, to the Worship Pianist/Organist Search Committee via email to Rev. Mary Dickson at mary@stmarkstn.org. A complete job description is available on the church's website <http://www.stmarkstn.org> under the "Jobs" tab.

Union Hill Baptist Church, Goodlettsville TN, is searching for an organist to play the 11:00 AM Sunday worship service, Wednesday night choir rehearsals, and any special programs. For further information, call or text Marti Hartman, Worship Leader, at 615-202-1476.

SUBSTITUTES

An updated substitute list is available on the chapter website: www.nashvilleago.org

Charlotte Hughes,
Placement Chair

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Our Chapter MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY is available on our chapter website. Go to the website: <http://www.nashvilleago.org/>, click on the "Members Section" tab, and you will be prompted to enter a Username and Password, which has been sent to all members in a chapter email. The Members Section includes two versions of the Membership Directory, which you may view, save to your desktop, tablet, or smart phone, or print. The Members Section also includes the Photo Album from our last edition of the printed Yearbook. Plans are underway to soon offer members the opportunity to update their picture. If you have not received the username and password, or for issues concerning the website or "Members Section" access, please contact Pat Parris: peparis@parrisgraphics.com. For issues concerning ONCARD or help updating your membership information, contact Gary Scott: fpc.organist@gmail.com. For questions concerning the Membership or Photo Directories, please contact Jonathan Setzer: jonathancsetzer@gmail.com

Jonathan Setzer, Membership Directory Editor

DINNER RESERVATIONS

Please note that dinner reservations will be handled through a different email address — AGOdinner@gmail.com. Dinner reminders will be sent from that address, and it will be possible to use the Reply button to respond and make a reservation.

AGOdinner@gmail.com is the only address Linda Winters will use to receive dinner reservations.

Please use our website [www.nashvilleago.org] to make your dinner reservations whenever possible. You are also encouraged to pay in advance on the website, but it is NOT required. Online reservations can be made with payment due by check or cash on the night of the dinner. Sending an email to AGOdinner@gmail.com is the second best choice. Lastly, Linda can also receive reservations by telephone, but this should only be done if you are unable to use the website, or send email.

Please help us handle dinner reservations as accurately as possible by using the above guidelines.

Gary Scott, Treasurer

ARTS CALENDAR FOR MARCH, APRIL AND MAY

MARCH

3/19, 3:00 PM

Matthew Phelps, piano
Steinway Piano Gallery Recital Hall
4285 Sidco Drive, Nashville

3/19, 5:00 PM

Plainchant Evensong
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

3/23, 12:00 PM

Lenten Concert
Ben Troxler, bass
Holly Dueker, mezzo
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville

3/26, 3:00 PM

The choirs of St. Andrew Lutheran, Historic Presbyterian Church, Franklin and First Presbyterian Church, Franklin will perform
John Rutter's *REQUIEM*
St. Andrew Lutheran Church
908 Murfreesboro Road, Franklin

3/26, 4:00 PM

Music of Fauré, Choir and Orchestra
Grace Lutheran Church
2041 Madison Street, Clarksville

3/26, 5:00 PM

Plainchant Evensong
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

3/27, 7:00 PM

The Tallis Scholars
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

3/31, 4:00-10:00 PM

11th Annual Bachanalia
Christ Church Cathedral
900 Broadway, Nashville

APRIL

4/2, 5:00 PM

The Service of Choral Evensong
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

4/6, 12:00 PM

Lenten Concert
Simon Thomas Jacobs, organist
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville

4/9, 3:00 PM

Angel of the Amazon,
opera by Evan Mack (concert version)
Tascha Anderson, Mezzo-Soprano/Jeffrey Williams,
Baritone/Jennifer McGuire, Music Director
Cathedral of the Incarnation
2015 West End Avenue, Nashville
(suggestion donation: \$10)

4/9, 5:00 PM

Plainchant Evensong
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

4/9, 7:30 PM

J.S. Bach *Mass in B minor*
First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary Choir
and Nashville Symphony
Raphael Bundage, director
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

4/12, 9:15 PM

Compline
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

4/14, 7:00 PM

Tenebrae: A Service of Shadows
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

4/23, 3:00 PM

Nashville Chamber Singers
Angela Tipps, Conductor
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
315 E. Main Street, Murfreesboro

4/23, 5:00 PM

Plainchant Evensong
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

4/30, 3:00 PM

...in the beauty of holiness
Choral anthems highlighting the beauty of the Sacred,
and the sanctity of beauty.
The Cathedral Choir
Cathedral of the Incarnation
2015 West End Avenue, Nashville

4/30, 3:00 PM
Spring Concert with the Nashville Chamber Singers
Angela Tipps, Conductor
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

4/30, 4:00 PM
Sacred Music for Organ and Two Trumpets
Joel Treybig, Adam Hayes, trumpet; Andrew Risinger
(West End United Methodist Church), organ
\$15; \$5 student
Christ Church Cathedral
900 Broadway, Nashville

4/30, 5:00 PM
Plainchant Evensong
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

MAY

5/7, 2:00 PM
Carillon Ringers...and friends, in concert
Belmont United Methodist Church
2007 Acklen Avenue, Nashville

5/7, 5:00 PM
The Service of Choral Evensong
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

5/7, 5:00 PM
Evensong Service
Sanctuary Choir; Andrew Risinger, Director;
Caitlin Dowling, Organist
Celebrate the Easter Season with the ancient tradition of
choral evensong
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville

5/14, 3:30 PM
Pre-Evensong Concert by Simon Thomas Jacobs
(concert organist)
Solemn Choral Evensong followed by Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament
The Cathedral Choir
Michael Velting, Canon for Music
Michael Gebhart, Assistant Organist and Choirmaster
Christ Church Cathedral
900 Broadway, Nashville

5/14, 5:00 PM
Plainchant Evensong
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

5/17, 9:15 PM
Compline
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

5/21, 3:00 PM
Spring Concert
St. George's Choir
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

JUNE

6/6, 5:30 PM
Open Door Singers Homecoming Concert
Belmont United Methodist Church
2007 Acklen Avenue, Nashville

ATLANTA POE TECH

The Atlanta Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will be hosting the National Pipe Organ Encounter Technical (POE Tech) July 9-July 14, 2017.

Pipe Organ Encounter Technical (POE Tech) is a program sponsored by the American Guild of Organists (AGO) and Associated Pipe Organ Builders of America (APOBA). This program is designed for students, ages 16-23, who express interest in learning the art and craftsmanship of organ building. Interested students may have or may be seeking experience and expertise in woodworking, electrical skills, and construction.

The POE Tech course will be held in Atlanta, Georgia at the organ shop of Parkey Organ Builders, Phillip K. Parkey, President and Tonal Director. Students will have the opportunity to learn the history, design, construction, and maintenance of the pipe organ. Additionally, the course will offer opportunities to visit and play a variety of pipe instruments.

Scholarships for this course are available. Please contact Phillip K. Parkey, philparkey@parkeyorgans.com for additional information.

The registration fee for the Atlanta POE Tech is \$525. Early Bird registration is \$475 if received by April 15, 2017. The final registration deadline is June 15, 2017. Payment is due at time of registration. Checks are to be made payable to: Atlanta Chapter AGO POE Technical. Payment forms and checks can be mailed to:

Attn: Phil Parkey, Director
Parkey OrganBuilders
Atlanta AGO POE Technical
4519 South Old Peachtree Road
Berkeley Lake, GA 30071

Detailed information about the July 2017 POE Tech in Atlanta, Georgia can be found by going to: the National AGO Website at:

<https://www.agohq.org/education/poe/poe-technical/>