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FROM THE DEAN

I must be honest; it is difficult to create a New Year's message "from the Dean" 10 days before Christmas! I have just proofed three Christmas Eve bulletins, have the adult choir's choral service this coming Sunday morning, and a gazillion rehearsals with children, youth, adults and instrumentalists between now and then! It's difficult to think about anything but all the details of the immediate future. Anything appropriate I can think to say sounds trite to me at the moment. All that said, I do hope that this Christmas will not leave me or you unchanged as we enter a new year of life. The wise men, after seeing the Christ child, "departed to their own country by another way." Obviously they were avoiding Herod. But they were changed, too. Experiencing the birth of the Christ Child could not have left them the same. Christ made and continues to make the world different. He gave us hope to face life in a new way. We can walk into another New Year renewed by His good news!

Great thanks are in order for Angela Tipps and the Nashville Chamber Singers for a spectacular Christmas concert on December 5, and to Hildegard Cox for all of her hard work to host us in such great style at Christ the King. I do hope that everyone has had a blessed Advent/Christmas season and some time for a little rest after what I know is a demanding time for all of us church musicians.

We, as the Nashville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, have much to look forward to in this New Year. In addition to great programs and time for fellowship in the immediate months ahead, we will also begin next fall to explore all the "nuts and bolts" of hosting the National Convention in 2012. In October, we will host staff from the National Office in New York City for a meeting to help us begin considering all our dreams for the convention, and hear about the many opportunities there will be to offer time and talents toward the goal of a great convention. Every member's ideas, energy and enthusiasm will be important and necessary. It's going to be a great new year! Please join me at St. George's Church on January 9 to hear Calvin Taylor's wonderful spiritual-based organ works. I look forward to greeting you all and hearing the stories of Christmas 2005!

Happy New Year!

Dr. John Gemingson Dean

A letter from National Headquarters to Dean John Semingson and the Nashville Chapter

Greetings from all of us at AGO National Headquarters in New York. We are delighted that your POE and POE+ programs were such a big success last summer. Darryl Miller is a valued colleague and strong advocate for our educational programs for young people.

On behalf of the National Council and the members of the staff of the American Guild of Organists, I want to thank you for your chapter's generous gift of \$5,440.75. The Nashville Chapter's generosity will enable us to provide assistance to another POE/POE+ host chapter this summer. Please extend our thanks to the members of your Executive Board for this gift.

With all best wishes, I remain — F. Anthony Thurman, DMA Director of Development and Communications

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, SHARRON LYON

The New Year is a good time to add to our membership. If you know of anyone who might be interested in joining our chapter, send me their information (email or snail mail address/phone numbers). Contact me @615-373-9820 or <sharronlyon@comcast.net>.

Thanks for your help.

MEMBER NEWS

- We express our sympathy to David McClain, who lost his father on December 2. The funeral was held in Gadsden, AL.
- We express our sympathy to Bob Bratcher, who lost his sister on December 29. The funeral was held in McMinnville, TN.
- Congratulation to Andy Peters, who found out in early December that he is one of seven semi-finalists in the AGO NYACOP Competition (National Young Artists Competition in Organ Performance) next May.

NEW INFORMATION FOR YEARBOOK:

Carl Berg Organist, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church John D. Lasater Organist, First United Methodist Church, Springfield

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IANUARY PROGRAM LOCATION

"African American Spirituals and the Organ—A Lecture Recital on the Spiritual-based Organ Works of Calvin Taylor, by the Composer" will now be held at St. George's Episcopal Church, Harding Road at Belle Meade Blvd, Nashville, Monday, January 9, 7:30 PM

PLEASE NOTE THIS CHANGE FROM THE ORIGINAL PROGRAM CALENDAR.

PIPELINES DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY

January 15 is the deadline for newsletter articles for the January *Pipelines*.

E-mail your articles to Dr. William Taylor at <wrtaylori@comcast.net>.

Calendar information should be sent to John Semingson at <johns@nashvillewpc.org>.

POSITION AVAILABLE

First Presbyterian Church in Hendersonville is seeking an organist. Allen Renaissance organ; salary of \$9,000-\$10,500. Send your resumé to First Presbyterian Church Hendersonville, 172 West Main Street, Hendersonville, TN 37075, Attn: Organist Search Committee.

Based upon your resumé, the next step will be securing a time for a formal interview and an audition.



Angela Tipps, Conductor of the Nashville Chamber Singers

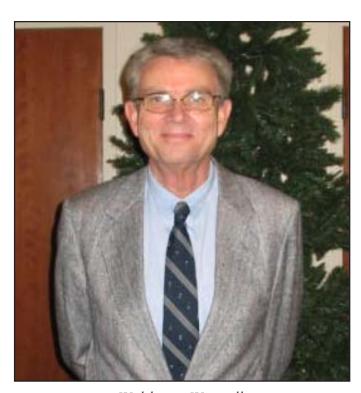
NEW MEMBERS



Thomas Duffy



Matthew Manwarren



Waldemar Wensell

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CALENDAR OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE MUSIC EVENTS

(Compiled from Nashville AGO members; see <www.nashvilleago.org> for updates)

January 8, 4:00 PM Epiphany Concert with Strings and Harp Carols from around the world and readings, Rocky Craft, Director Grace Lutheran Church—Clarksville

January 12, 11:00 AM/1:00 PM School Concerts Bradley Welch, Organist First Presbyterian Church—Columbia

January 13, 7:00 PM Bradley Welch, Organist First Presbyterian Church—Columbia

January 13, 7:30 PM Friday the 13th Blues Cabaret Nick Nickens and Shannon "Bayou" Williford Suggested donation: \$10 adult, \$5 student Christ Church Cathedral—Nashville

January 15, 4:00 PM Bradley Welch, Organist First Presbyterian Church—Nashville

January 22, 4:00 PM Kent Tritle, Organist (from St. Ignatius Loyola, New York City) Christ Church Cathedral—Nashville

January 22, 4:00 PM Mozart's "Grand" C minor Mass with the Nashville Symphony Sanctuary Choir, Raphael Bundage, director First Presbyterian Church—Nashville

February 5, 7:30 PM Anthony Williams, organ Fisk Memorial Chapel, Fisk University—Nashville

February 12, 4:00 PM Trevecca University Baroque String Orchestra Music from 1600-1750 Grace Lutheran Church—Clarksville

February 24, 6:00 PM Sanctuary Choir presents their 2nd Annual Salute to Broadway Dinner Show \$30.00. (tickets required) First Presbyterian Church—Nashville

February 26, 3:00 PM Nashville Flute Choir First Presbyterian Church—Columbia February 26, 5:00 PM
Evensong with music by Bairstow and Doyson (preceded by High Tea)
St. Georges' Choir
St. Georges' Church—Nashville

March 3, 1:30-2:00 PM
The Texas Boys Choir School Student Concert —
open to everyone
First Presbyterian Church—Nashville

March 3, 7:30 PM The Texas Boys Choir First Presbyterian Church—Nashville

March 3, 8:00 PM New York's Ensemble for Early Music presents Daniel and the Lion (\$10 Donation) St. George's Episcopal Church—Nashville

March 3, 8:00 PM Music City Barbershop Chorus Grace Lutheran Church—Clarksville

March 5, 3:30 PM Organ Concert and Choral Evensong Wilma Jensen, Organ Cathedral Choir, Marjorie Proctor, Director Jonathan Setzer, Organist Christ Church Cathedral—Nashville

March 10-11, 7:00 PM Choir Tour Fundraiser/Dinner Theater: Godspell (\$30 tickets available from church office) Laudate Youth Choir and Choral Interns Westminster Presbyterian Church—Nashville

March 12, 4:00 PM Nashville Flute Choir, Karen Mitchell, director First Presbyterian Church—Nashville

March 19, 3:00 PM Nashville Children's Choir First Presbyterian Church—Columbia

March 19, 4:00 PM Matt Curlee, Organ and NEOS Contemporary Jazz Quintet Christ Church Cathedral—Nashville

April 2, 7:00 PM
Te Deum by Hector Berlioz
Chancel and Sanctuary Choirs with Orchestra
West End United Methodist Church—Nashville

April 14, 7:00 PM Good Friday Lessons and Anthems Grace Lutheran Choir and Instrumentalists Grace Lutheran Church—Clarksville

April 14, 7:00 PM Good Friday Choral Service of Darkness Westminster Presbyterian Church—Nashville

April 23, 3:00 PM Spring Concert by the Nashville Chamber Singers, Angela Tipps, Musical Director St. Paul's Episcopal Church—Murfreesboro

April 23, 4:00 PM Piano Concert Nielson and Young, duo-pianists Christ Church Cathedral—Nashville

April 25, 7:30 PM American Boychoir with the Nashville Boychoir at Blair (\$10 Donation) St. Georges' Episcopal Church—Nashville

April 30, 3:00 PM Spring Concert by the Nashville Chamber Singers, Angela Tipps, Musical Director Christ the King Church—Nashville

May 7, 2:00 PM Belle Meade Baroque (*5 Donation) Concert: "Concertos Italian and Otherwise" St. Georges' Episcopal Church—Nashville

May 7, 3:30 PM
Organ Concert and Choral Evensong
Michael Messina, Organ
Cathedral Choir, Michael Velting, Director
Marjorie Proctor, Organ
Christ Church Cathedral—Nashville

May 7, 4:00 PM Bells and Chimes of Grace Grace Lutheran Church—Clarksville

June 11, 5:00 PM Laudate Youth Choir Pacific Northwest Tour Homecoming Concert Westminster Presbyterian Church—Nashville

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Dinner is at 6:30 PM Program follows at 7:30 PM

January 9, 2006

African-American Spirituals and the Organ (Hommage à Martin Luther King, Jr.)
A lecture recital on the spiritual-based organ works of Calvin Taylor, by the composer,
St. George's Episcopal Church, Nashville

February 6

Mardi Gras Dinner and Student Recital — Featuring new concert and service music Immanuel Baptist Church

March 6

Concert by Peter Richard Conte Grand Court Organist, Lord and Taylor Department Store (Wanamaker) — Philadelphia West End United Methodist Church

April 3

Choral Concert by the Cathedral Schola of St. Phillip's Cathedral, Atlanta Bruce Neswick, director Westminster Presbyterian Church

May 1

Festival Choral Evensong with the St. George's Choir and Installation of Officers Homilist: The Very Rev. Canon Mary June Nestler Dean, Episcopal Theological School, Claremont, CA St. George's Episcopal Church



Nashville Chapter January Meeting

"AFRICAN AMERICAN SPIRITUALS AND THE ORGAN"



Monday January 9, 2006 7:30 PM

> St. George's Episcopal Church 4715 Harding Pike Nashville, TN (Note new location)

6:30 PM — Dinner 7:30 PM — Program (Dinner reservations required — Phone 615–264–3430) Executive Committee will meet at 5:15 PM.

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