



THE NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

PIPELINES

SUMMER 2013 *alla breve*

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From our Outgoing Dean

Dear Colleagues,

As we enjoy a more relaxed summer schedule in our church and school programs, this can be a good time to re-visit or learn new organ repertoire or do some in-depth planning for the up-coming year. Remember that music you bought at the used music sale? Those pieces might be a good place to start. When I browse through the stacks at Lois Fyfe Music, I always find music I don't know; ask Elizabeth or Jonathan or Mike for suggestions. We're so fortunate to have them in Nashville. Perhaps this would be a good time to start studying and practicing for one of the certification tests of the Guild. Congratulations to Dr. Tom Zimmerman who just received word he passed his Service Playing Certificate.

Our Region IV Convention is in Columbia, South Carolina, July 3-6. They have an exciting program planned with some major artists and a couple of up-and-comers. The Birmingham Chapter is sponsoring a Pipe Organ Encounter, July 14-19. The registration deadline has been extended to July 1. Do you know a young person whom you might encourage? POEs also include a POE Advanced (Rochester, NY), Technical (Tacoma), and POE+ for adults (Waco). I encourage you to support the POE program.

Congratulations to all the AGO members in Tennessee. February, 2014, marks the 100th anniversary of the American Guild of

Organists in the state of Tennessee. Throughout 2013-2014, the Memphis Chapter is celebrating this anniversary with special programs and concerts. Thanks to Past Dean Jon Johnson, who represented the Nashville Chapter on the planning committee. We have supported financially the commissioning of an anthem by Daniel Gawthrop that will be premiered on February 3, 2014. You will hear much more about these anniversary activities as the year progresses.

The Nashville Chapter is in good shape. As you can see with Joyce Byrd's treasurer's report, we are financially solvent with money in short term and long term investments; endowment money is available to assist in chapter programming and special projects. Thanks to Sharron Lyon, our membership is healthy, and we are one of the strongest chapters in the country. This has been a good year for the Nashville Chapter with a good variety of programs and concerts, good fellowship and lots of good food. I thank you for your support and now look forward to Dean-Elect Marsha Scheusner's creative programming and energy as she leads us in 2013-2014.

I'm not a Nashvillian by birth, but one by choice. In fact, we have lived here three different times! As Susie, Annie and I spend a month in Europe this summer, it will be my pleasure to tell people I'm from Nashville and a member of the great and wonderful Nashville Chapter!

Happy Summer!

Darryl Miller, Dean

From our Dean-Elect

We give a huge thank you to Darryl Miller for serving as our Dean this past year. He has brought a wealth of creativity, energy and commitment in his leadership of our chapter. Our final evening prayer service and dinner at St. Andrew showcased his enthusiasm and team planning with pastors and musicians alike—a model we could all emulate.

And speaking of pastor relations... please make a date with your clergy NOW for our opening meeting and program on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 at Westminster Presbyterian Church. We really want to include our clergy at the dinner and worship with Mary Louise Bringle. It will be an inspiring way for us all to begin our year together. Each clergy attending will be our chapter's dinner guest. (Yes, that means they eat for FREE!) Our goal is to have at least twenty (20) clergy present.

Thanks to each of you for your continuing support of our AGO chapter.

Marsha Scheusner, Dean Elect

Treasurer's Summary

as of 5/31/2013

Joyce M. Byrd, Treasurer

Checking Account	
2012-2013 balance:	\$6,646.39
2013-2014 Dues & Contributions:	9,925.00
(includes National portion of dues)	
Total checking Account:	<u>\$16,571.39</u>
Cash Box:	\$100.00
Savings Account:	149.01
Endowment Account:	9,497.57
Chapter loan to Convention in Wealth Builder Acct.	25,000.00
Investment with Nationwide Annuity—1.5% yr. 1	\$75,146.99
(includes interest through December 31, 2013)	

Member News

We express our deepest condolences to **Gary Scott** in the loss of his father on May 26 and to **Gregg Bunn** in the loss of his grandmother on June 1.

Darryl Miller and his family leave on June 16, where he will play at Notre-Dame in Paris on June 22 and at Soissons Cathedral on July 14.

YEARBOOK ADVERTISERS

This year we invite our yearbook sponsors to place an advertisement in the 2013-2014 Yearbook. Our rates remain the same. Our **deadline** this year is earlier than usual—June 30, 2013—for the ad copy and payment. Please contact **William Taylor**, wrtaylori@comcast.net, if you are interested or have questions. The chapter thanks you for your continued support of our yearbook and programs.

From Membership Chair, Sharron Lyon:

The membership drive for 2013-2014 is in full swing. You can renew the usual way by printing out the paper form and paying by check, or by paying/signing up on our chapter's website www.nashvilleago.org -- click on How to Join. Thanks to many of you, who have already renewed; thanks for setting a good example.



We are delighted to welcome new members
Justin Bowen and Deanie Moore

Pictured at right are Service participants from our May 6 meeting at St. Andrew Lutheran Church:

**Pastor Michael Lippard, Dr. Darryl Miller,
Julia McGirt, Pastor Erik Allen**

Open Positions

Calvary United Methodist Church, Nashville is searching for a Director of Music Ministries. Must be accomplished in a variety of sacred music genres and able to work with choirs, handbells, ensembles, etc. at all age levels, as well as supervise three part-time positions. Requirements: Master of Choral Conducting, Sacred Music or related field and 5 years of experience. Contact Bob Currie, Staff Parish Chair at (615) 308-5049 or bobc2@comcast.net. Deadline to submit resumés is Monday, June 17.

First Presbyterian Church, Franklin, TN, is looking for a Director of Music/Organist. This is a full-time position and includes an Adult Choir, Chancel Choir, Children's Choir and Handbells. Requirements: bachelor's degree and 5-7 years of experience. For further information, contact Martha Johnson at (615) 400-6276 or martha.johnson07@comcast.net. Detailed position listing is on national AGO web site.

St. Timothy Lutheran Church – ELCA, Hendersonville is seeking a part-time Director of Graded Choirs for their 500-member church. Minimum requirements: bachelor's degree in music and church music experience. Proficiencies in vocal, keyboard, conducting, and organizing/implementing music in liturgical settings are desired. Contact Lisa Barry at (615) 830-9115 or lisabarry@bellsouth.net.

Vanderbilt University, Nashville is searching for a University Organist, who would be responsible for playing for any University service in Benton Chapel and occasional services for Vanderbilt Divinity School (separate contract). Organist has the right of first refusal for all weddings held in Benton Chapel and oversees the maintenance of the organ. A cover letter and resume can be emailed to religiouslife@vanderbilt.edu or mailed to Kay Tyler, Administrative Assistant, Office of Religious Life, PMB 406311, 2301 Vanderbilt Place, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN 37240.

