

# PIPELINES

Nashville Chapter ▽ American Guild of Organists ▽ February, 2007



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## FROM THE DEAN

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

It was good to see so many of you at the January AGO at Brentwood United Methodist Church. We thank Andrew Peters for all of the arrangements, including a very fine dinner. I have received so many good comments about the workshops. Thank you Angela Tipps and Jonathan Setzer, as well as our guest, Jennifer Muckala, from the Vanderbilt Voice Clinic, who made an excellent presentation on *Vocal Health*. In the event any of you need to be in touch with her, I have her contact numbers. Also, if any of you need a copy of one of the handouts, I can furnish a copy for you.

We have a wonderful opportunity for the February 5 meeting to hear one of America's leading Baroque violinists, Robert Mealy, as presenter for the meeting. His talk and demonstration is *Bach played the Violin, too*. He has been praised for his "imagination, taste, subtlety, and daring" by the *Boston Globe*, and the *New Yorker* recently called him "New York's world-class early music violinist." He has recorded over 50 CD's of early music on all major labels, ranging from Hildegard of Bingen with *Sequentia*, to Renaissance consorts with the Boston Camerata, to Rameau operas with *Les Arts Florissants*. At home in New York, he is a frequent leader and soloist with the New York Collegium, Early Music New York, and the ARTEK early music ensemble. He regularly appears at international music festivals from Berkeley to Belgrade and from Melbourne to Versailles. For more information on his concerts and teaching, visit his website at [www.robertmealy.com](http://www.robertmealy.com).

We are so fortunate that Murray Somerville brought his name to the attention of the Program Committee and has made it possible for us to hear him at a fee our Chapter can afford. Murray will assist him at his own beautiful harpsichord. I hope that we will also gain more understanding of articulation by hearing him play some Bach Fugue subjects.

The meeting will be at Belle Meade United Methodist Church, 101 Davidson Road, Nashville. This is an incredible opportunity to hear a world-class performer and musicologist. We all need to keep expanding our horizons and improving our understanding of all genres of music, no matter at what level we may play or just listen. We also might enjoy being entertained! **YOU NEED TO BE THERE!!!**

## A PERSONAL NOTE

I had some eye surgery in mid-December with all sorts of ensuing complications with allergy, blurred vision, and balance problems. For my portion of the workshop at Brentwood Methodist, the circumstances necessitated much too late preparation for the event. I apologize for my poor presentation of the materials. To make matters much worse, I lost my balance and fell in the pit. Talk about embarrassing!! I have heard of conductors falling in the pit, but not organists. Please accept my apologies for the entire experience. Hopefully I will be more poised next time I see you.

Sincerely

Wilma Jensen, Dean

## FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

**Toni Foglesong** was honored in December at Second Presbyterian Church upon her retirement as Choir Director. Also in December **Rhonda Swanson** was recognized at First Presbyterian (Nashville) for her 10 years of service as Assistant Organist. **Judy Mahone** has completed a 17-year tenure as Organist/Associate Director at Bellevue Presbyterian Church. **Eric Wyse** is editor of a new hymnal, *The Christian Life Hymnal*, released by Hendrickson Publishers; **Jere Adams** served on the production staff. Our October Town Hall Meeting hostess, **Gray Thornburg**, was recently sworn in as Belle Meade's newest member of the city's Board of Commissioners. **Dr. Anthony Williams** recently played an organ recital at First Presbyterian Church in Midland, TX; check out Tony's updated web site [www.anthonwilliams.info/](http://www.anthonwilliams.info/).

On January 21 Dean-Elect **Andrew Peters** will play an organ recital at Calvin Presbyterian Church in Louisville, KY. **Andrew Risinger** will play an organ recital at the National Cathedral in Washington, DC, on February 18. **Hazel Somerville** and her Nashville Boychoir at Blair have returned from a choir tour to Germany (December 27-January 4). Accompanists were **Parker Ramsay** and **Carol McClure**; the group's journalist was **Dr. Murray Somerville**, who has written a glowing report of the tour. **Wilma Jensen** accompanied soprano, Christi John Bye, in a voice recital at St. John's Episcopal Cathedral in Jacksonville, FL, on January 20. Christi had sung in St. George's Choir for seven years and attended Belmont University. As part of the program, a group of organ compositions was featured. Congratulations to ALL of our members, listed above, in their many achievements.

Continue to remember **Bob Bratcher**, **Forrest McFatridge** and **Gilbert Pearson** as they deal with serious health issues. We express our sympathy to **Linda Crawford** in the loss of her father-in-law, George V. Crawford, Sr.

Don't miss reading in the January issue of **TAO** about our **2012 Convention Town Hall Meeting** on page 34, and **Julia Callaway's** 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration on page 49.

Membership report: **199** members with **18** new members. Please continue your good work of sending me names of prospective members. Let's reach 200 again this season.

Sharron Lyon  
Membership Chair

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Sandy Tipping  
4401 Brick Church Pike  
Whites Creek, TN 37189  
Home Phone: 299-9107  
Church Phone: 255-6248  
Cell Phone: 426-2358  
Email: <[tipsand@earthling.net](mailto:tipsand@earthling.net)>  
Sandy is Music Director at Tulip Street United Methodist.



### New Members

Bud Fox, Brooke Hazen, Sandy Tipping





## NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS

The e-mail address used for correspondence with Linda Winters concerning dinner reservations has changed to: **dinnerago@comcast.net**.

## POSITIONS OPEN

### CHOIR ACCOMPANIST NEEDED

St. Ann Roman Catholic Church is looking for an organist to accompany the choir at the 8:30 AM Mass. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:00 PM. Knowledge of the liturgy is helpful, but not required. Please contact Renee Thompson at 790-8898.

### ORGANIST

Grace Episcopal Church in Spring Hill, Tennessee, is seeking an organist for Sunday morning worship, 10:00 AM, and for evening services in Holy Week. The church has a 100 year-old Pilcher organ in a historic chapel. Duties include playing at worship, choosing hymns, and eventually establishing a choir and music program as the church continues its growth in membership. Any level of experience is open for consideration. For more information, contact the Reverend Robin Courtney, Jr. (FatherCourtney@aol.com) or 615-673-9324

## FACES FROM JANUARY MEETING



Carol McClure, Parker Ramsay and Hazel Somerville, participants in the December program with Dean, Wilma Jensen.



**Angela Tipps** presented sessions on choral repertoire for the church choir.

**Jonathan Setzer and Wilma Jensen** presented sessions on repertoire for the church service.



## AGO ARTS CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2007

Friday, February 2 — 6:00 PM  
Broadway... *And the Winner is* Dinner Show  
Sanctuary Choir  
Tickets \$30.00

First Presbyterian Church,  
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

Sunday, February 4 — 4:00 PM  
Madrigalians from Trevecca University  
Grace Lutheran Church, Clarksville

Sunday, February 4 — 4:00 PM  
Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee  
Chorister Festival Evensong  
Mr. Frank Boles, St. Paul's Episcopal,  
Indianapolis, Guest Conductor  
Christ Church Cathedral,  
900 Broadway, Nashville

Friday, February 9 — 7:30 PM  
Rod McGaha, Jazz Trumpet  
\$15, \$7.50 student, Benefit Concert for Friends of  
the Cathedral  
Christ Church Cathedral,  
900 Broadway, Nashville

Sunday, February 25 — 3:30 PM  
Lenten Evensong with Organ Recital  
Robert Poovey, Casavant Freres Organ Co.,  
Ste. Hyacinthe, Quebec,  
(formerly St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Atlanta)  
Michael Velting, Organist and Choirmaster,  
Marjorie Proctor, Associate Organist and  
Choirmaster  
Christ Church Cathedral,  
900 Broadway, Nashville

Sunday, February 25 — 3:30 PM  
Organ Dedication Series: Dr. Robert Delcamp,  
First United Methodist Church,  
265 West Thompson Lane, Murfreesboro.  
Off Medical Center Parkway, Left on Thompson  
Lane, approximately 5.3 miles to church.

Sunday, February 25 — 4:00 PM  
Ruth McGinnis and Her Acoustic Trio  
First Presbyterian Church,  
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

Saturday, February 28, 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM  
Children's Choir Festival  
"Around the Year in Song"  
Middle Tennessee Chapter, Choristers Guild  
Concluding hymn festival at 12:30  
Guest Conductor, Rebecca Thompson,  
Second Presbyterian Church, Louisville  
First Presbyterian Church,  
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

Sunday, March 4 — 4:00 PM  
Nashville Flute Choir  
Music for St. Patrick's  
Grace Lutheran Church, Clarksville

Sunday, March 4 — 4:00 PM  
A View from the Underside:  
The Legacy of Dietrich Bonhoeffer  
Drama by Al Staggs  
\$10, \$5 student  
Christ Church Cathedral,  
900 Broadway, Nashville

Sunday, March 4 — 4:00 PM  
Evensong presented by Choristers  
William Taylor, Director of Choristers;  
Elizabeth Smith, Accompanist  
St. Ann's Episcopal Church,  
419 Woodland Street, Nashville

Sunday, March 11 — 4:00 PM  
Robert Marler, piano  
The McKee Memorial Concert dedicating the  
Chapel piano  
First Presbyterian Church,  
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

Friday, March 23 — 5:00-11:00 PM  
BACHanalia: Celebrating J.S.B. with the  
community — a participatory concert —  
including many performers from the Nashville  
community.  
Christ Church Cathedral,  
900 Broadway, Nashville

Friday, March 23 — 7:00 PM  
Thomas Murray, organist,  
University Organist/Professor, Yale University  
Madison Street UMC,  
Clarksville

## LENTEN NOONTIME RECITALS IN COLUMBIA

First Presbyterian Church  
Columbia, TN  
All recitals begin at 12:15

February 21  
Marsha Scheusner, Organ

February 28  
Jenifer Kitchens, soprano

March 7  
Steve Clark, Organ

March 14  
Julia Callaway, Organ

March 21  
Brass and Pipes  
Ron Scheusner, trumpet

March 28  
Thomas Vann, Baritone

## GERRE AND JUDITH HANCOCK TO PERFORM AT SEWANEE

Dr. Robert Delcamp, University Organist and  
Choirmaster at the University of the South in  
Sewanee, has invited the Nashville Chapter to  
attend a concert by Gerre and Judith Hancock on  
Friday, February 9 at 7:30.

The program will include repertoire for organ  
duo, as well as solo pieces by both performers.  
The concert will conclude with an improvisation  
by Dr. Hancock.

The organ in the Univeristy's Chapel is a large  
Casavant, recently completely overhauled, re-  
scaled and re-voiced at the Casavant factory,  
under the supervision of Jean-Louis Coignet.



## ATLANTA 2007 AGO REGION IV CONVENTION

JUNE 17-20, 2007

[HTTP://WWW.AGOATLANTA.ORG/2007/INDEX.HTM](http://www.agoatlanta.org/2007/index.htm)

## SUBSTITUTES AVAILABLE

Anne Aycock..... 373-0551 or cell 347-0866  
Mike Belote .... 665-9359 or MBeloteOrg@aol.com  
Laurens Blankers ..... 834-8163  
Thomas Duffy ..... 293-8493 or  
DemocratDuffy@yahoo.com  
Ben Hurt ..... 834-4632  
James Jordan ..... 449-2758 or 251-2620  
Sandra Keene ..... 826-8974  
Judy Mahone ..... 646-1218  
Amity Marsh ..... 496-4206  
Barbara Michanowicz ..... 889-2165  
Melvin Potts ..... 370-7000 x 2739 or 831-9941  
(only available for funerals S-M; T-S AM only)  
Janet Schmidt ..... 771-0263  
Jonathan Setzer ..... 353-0104 or 415-1735

## AVAILABLE

Dennis Milnar is helping Fred Reynolds settle his  
aunt's estate in Franklin, TN. Included is a  
Hammond organ (Model A-100 from 1960), self-  
contained and in excellent condition. If you know  
of a church that could use this instrument, Mr.  
Reynolds is interested in donating it. He can be  
reached at 615-790-8101.

## PIPELINES DEADLINES

February 12, 2007 for the March issue

March 23, 2007 for the April issue

E-mail your articles to Dr. William Taylor at  
<[wrtaylori@comcast.net](mailto:wrtaylori@comcast.net)>.



**NASHVILLE AGO PROGRAMS — 2006-2007**  
(All programs are on Monday unless specified otherwise)

**February 5, 2007** — “Bach played the violin too!”

Dinner 6:30 PM, Program 7:30 PM

Lecture/Demonstration: Baroque performance practices

Dr. Robert Mealy, Baroque Violinist, Dr. Murray Forbes Somerville, Harpsichord

Belle Meade United Methodist Church, 101 Davidson Road, Nashville

**March 5, 2007** — Organ Concert by Malcolm Matthews

Dinner 6:30, Program 7:30 PM

Organ Recital by Malcolm Matthews, winner of Region IV Quimby Competition and “Rising Star” performer at the ChicAGO Convention

Belmont United Methodist Church, 2007 Acklen Avenue, Nashville

**April 20, 2007** – Organ Concert by John Scott

**Friday** — Dinner 6:30 PM, Concert — **8:00 PM**

Co-sponsored by Christ Cathedral and Nashville AGO

Organ Recital by John Scott, Choirmaster/ Organist at St. Thomas, New York City

Former Choirmaster/ Organist at St. Paul's, London

Christ Church Cathedral, 900 Broadway, Nashville

**May 7, 2007**— Evensong and Installation of Officers

Dinner 6:30 PM, Service 7:30 PM,

Homily by The Reverend Carol Tate

West End United Methodist Church, 2200 West End Avenue, Nashville

**Past Programs This Season**

**September 11, 2006** — Service of Remembrance and Hope

Program 7:30, Reception following 9/11 Memorial/Celebration. Multiple Choirs directed by Gerre Hancock  
First Baptist Church, 108 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Nashville

**October 2, 2006** — Town Hall Meeting and Information Session with National AGO Officers

Kick-off meeting for 2012 National Convention

Location: Centennial Club, 2805 Abbott Martin Road, Nashville (Green Hills), hosted by Gray Thornburg

**November 6, 2006** — Choral Rehearsal with Jack Burnam

Dinner 6:30 PM, Rehearsal 7:30 PM

Mr. Burnam is a former AAM president and well-known conductor with both volunteers and professionals

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3900 West End Avenue, Nashville

**December 4, 2006** — Christmas Program

Dinner 6:30 PM, Concert 7:30 PM

Christmas Program with Blair Choirs under the direction of Hazel Somerville

Christ the King Catholic Church, 3001 Belmont Boulevard, Nashville

**January 8, 2007** — An Evening of Workshops

Dinner 6:30 PM, Workshops 7:30 PM

Workshops — Choose 2 out of 3

Organ Repertoire — Jonathan Setzer and Wilma Jensen (easy repertoire)

Choral Repertoire (for smaller churches and choirs) — Angela Tipps

Vocal Health — Jennifer Muckala from Vanderbilt Voice Clinic

Brentwood United Methodist Church, 309 Franklin Road, Brentwood

Nashville Chapter  
February Program



*Bach played the Violin, too!*

A lecture-demonstration on Baroque  
performance practices by Baroque violinist

**Dr. Robert Mealy**



accompanied by Dr. Murray Somerville, Harpsichord

**February 5, 2007**

Dinner 6:30 PM    Program 7:30 PM

Dinner Cost: \$12

Dinner reservations required — Phone 615-264-3430

**Belle Meade United Methodist Church  
101 Davidson Road  
Nashville, Tennessee**