

# PIPELINES

Nashville Chapter ▽ American Guild of Organists ▽ June, 2006



## FROM THE DEAN

It's hard to believe the final program for the 2005-2006 season has already come and gone. The May 1 Festival Choral Evensong and Installation of Officers brought this program year to a beautiful close. I would like to thank Murray Somerville, Gerry Senechal, and the St. George's Choirs for their outstanding leadership, and Rev. Felix Montgomery for installing our newly elected officers. While many of them are already working on preparations for next season, our new officers officially begin their duties on July 1. I know that you will support and assist them in every way you can. Thank you!

There are so many people who work "behind the scenes" to make our chapter great. Please join me in expressing deep gratitude for their work this past year.

**Program Committee:** Hildegard Cox, Rocky Craft, Bill Gray, Tom Moody, Doug Murray, and Andy Peters (John Semingson, chair)

**Executive Committee** (Class of 05-06): Sharron Lyon, Don Marler and William Taylor

Treasurer: Jonathan Setzer

Secretary: Dawn Seidenschwarz

Chaplain: Carol Tate

National Convention Chair: Bill Gray

Auditor: James Jordan

Communication: Linda Winters

Education: Andrew Risinger

Ethics and Professional Concerns: Lisa Barry

Finance: Richard Shadinger

Historian: Melvin Potts

Hospitality: Janet Schmidt

Membership: Sharron Lyon

Nominating: Elizabeth Smith

Pipelines: William Taylor, Jere Adams, Darryl Miller, Bill and Virginia Gable

Placement: Lisa Barry

Publicity: Andrew Peters

Web Site: Anne Aycock

Yearbook: Ralph Erickson, Ken Stein

We received over \$8000 in donor money this past season. Were it not for the donations of generous members and friends, we would not have been able to offer the outstanding level of programming we all enjoyed. Thank you, again, to all of our donors:

Supporter (\$1-\$49)

Jere Adams

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Linda Crawford

Herman DePriest

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Donor (\$50-\$99)

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There is a great season of programs planned for next year, but we still need financial gifts above and beyond the annual dues to make it happen. Please consider giving an extra contribution if you've not already done so. No gift is too small or too large!

Please take notice of all the chapter news and events in this issue of Pipelines. There is a year-end treasurer's report, new Yearbook advertisement rates, the 2006-07 programs and much more!

Finally, it is with great joy that I share news concerning our student member, John Lucianno. John has been awarded a one-time \$2000 scholarship from the Calvary United Methodist Church Foundation to be used for his first year of organ study at St. Olaf College beginning this fall. The scholarship is being given in honor of Tom Metcalfe, who has served as the loyal and talented organist at Calvary for more than 35 years. Congratulations John! On behalf of the Nashville Chapter of the AGO let me say how proud we are of you and pray Godspeed for you as you enter this new and exciting program of study.

Best wishes for a beautiful summer everyone! Please take time to renew your hearts and minds and souls!

Peace,

*John*

Dr. John Semingson, Dean

<http://www.nashvilleago.org>

### NASHVILLE CHAPTER OFFICERS FOR 2006-2007

Dean Wilma Jensen  
Dean-Elect Andrew J. Peters  
Secretary Dawn Seidenschwarz  
Treasurer Jonathan Setzer  
**Executive Board**  
(Class of 2007)  
Donald Cornelius, Hildegard Cox, Murray Somerville  
(Class of 2008)  
Darryl Miller, Gerry Senechal, Rhonda Swanson  
(Class of 2009)  
Doug Murray, Marjorie Proctor, Anthony Williams



## CONVENTION STEERING COMMITTEE ENDORSED BY THE AGO NATIONAL COUNCIL

The May edition of Pipelines informed you of the complete Convention Steering Committee members for the 2012 AGO National Convention, to be held in Nashville. The Working Committee Chairpersons were selected by the Convention Executive Steering Committee members and approved by the Nashville AGO Chapter Executive Board at their April 17 meeting. The completed Steering Committee was also enthusiastically endorsed by the AGO National Council at their April 27 Spring Meeting in New York City. I would like to express my personal appreciation for each of these Chairpersons for their willingness to serve and offer leadership to the numerous work areas. The Nashville Convention Executive Steering Committee worked very hard to put together an outstanding Steering Committee of excellent leaders who can organize and motivate their committee members for great planning and execution. The Executive Committee worked hard to have a diverse group of people according to gender, religions, and from different backgrounds. They also recognize that there is a tremendous amount of talent in our Chapter beyond these Committee Chairs, and we hope to utilize the talents of each of our chapter members in hosting the 2012 AGO National Convention. Each committee will have an important part of the puzzle for which they are responsible and each job has to be done with perfection. If one piece of the puzzle is poorly planned and executed, it makes the entire puzzle fall apart. I have confidence in our chapter that we are going to have a fabulous AGO National Convention in 2012. We ARE the Nashville Chapter, and our chapter is known for our excellence and high standards. We are planning to put our best foot forward to the National Community in July of 2012!

Make your plans now to attend the October 2<sup>nd</sup> Town Hall Meeting.

William E. Gray, Jr., 2012 Convention Coordinator

### SUBSTITUTES AVAILABLE

Anne Aycock ..... 373-0551 or cell 347-0866  
Mike Belote .... 665-9359 or MBeloteOrg@aol.com  
Thomas Duffy ..... 293-8493 or  
DemocratDuffy@yahoo.com  
Ben Hurt ..... 834-4632  
James Jordan ..... 449-2758 or 251-2620  
Sandra Keene ..... 826-8974  
Amity Marsh ..... 496-4206  
Barbara Michanowicz ..... 889-2165  
Melvin Potts ..... 370-7000 x 2739 or 831-9941  
Janet Schmidt ..... 771-0263  
Jonathan Setzer ..... 353-0104 or 415-1735

### PIPELINES DEADLINES

July 17, 2006 for August issue  
August 21, 2006 for September issue  
E-mail your articles to Dr. William Taylor at  
<wrtaylori@comcast.net>.

### 2006 SUMMER CONFERENCE REPORTS

Each summer many members attend conferences and workshops, and, in previous years, we have included your reports in *Pipelines*. We would like to hear from you again this year, so please submit your reports in an electronic document file to William Taylor <wrtaylori@comcast.net> to be included in the August and September newsletters. Have a great summer!

### HAVE YOU VOTED?

If you haven't already voted, please do so right now. Here's the link to the secure, online election site: <<https://www.intelliscaninc.com/ago2006.htm>>. After logging in, you can review the candidates' qualifications and cast your votes. It will take only a few moments. If you prefer to use a paper ballot, simply retrieve it from the April issue of TAO where it was bound between pages 64 and 65. A few years ago, in an AGO election in which thousands of ballots were cast, one race was decided by only 4 votes. Your vote does make a difference. **All ballots must be cast by June 1.** Our National President, Fred Swann, reminds us that "Your vote is your voice... Show that you care."

**TOWN HALL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR OUR  
2012 AGO NATIONAL CONVENTION  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2006**

Be sure to have this date on your calendar. We want every chapter member to be a part of **THE TOWN HALL MEETING!** This is a major event for our chapter as we start the actual planning of the AGO National Convention 2012, to be held in Nashville July 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 6<sup>th</sup>. We promise you an elegant evening to be held at the Centennial Club, a beautiful facility, very classy and a perfect setting for our TOWN HALL MEETING. A Centennial Club Member, **Gray Thornburg**, who is also one of our members, will host our meeting. The evening will begin at 6:00 p.m. with an informal gathering in the large reception hall just outside the Dining Room. This will give you a chance to mingle with our honored chapter guests from the National AGO Council. Our special guests will include **Dr. Robert Tall**, who was the Coordinator of the Los Angeles Convention; **Dennis Elwell**, who was the coordinator for the Philadelphia Convention, and possibly a third person, not yet named. **Karen Rich**, who has served as the National Councillor for Conventions and Competitions, wants to attend on her own. She is rotating out of this position in July, but she is a Vanderbilt graduate and would just like to visit Nashville.

This is being planned as a **Gala Event** for our Chapter and the 2006-2007 Program Committee suggested that we have it some place other than a church. In order to accomplish this, it naturally cost much more money. However, we are asking **Chapter Members to pay \$15** for this event, although this is only half the cost per person. The chapter is going to pick up the balance of the cost. We did not want to set the price too high for fear it may discourage some of our members from participating. **The most important goal of this meeting is to have the broadest possible participation from our membership for our TOWN HALL MEETING.**

At 6:30 PM, the dining hall will be opened and we will have a delicious gourmet dinner, including wine for those who are interested. After dinner, we will have **OUR TOWN HALL MEETING** with the presentation by our guests, who serve on the AGO National Convention's Committee. They will inform us of the magnitude of our work ahead. They will offer a time for you to make any suggestions that you may have to our Steering Committee. They will help you to identify areas for which you may wish to volunteer as a Work Committee Member and/or just volunteer to work in certain areas. This Convention will not belong to any one person or one group of our members. This is **OUR CONVENTION**, and it is being sponsored by **OUR MEMBERSHIP**, which is 200+ in size. Everyone will have to pitch in and work for the success of this event.

At the end of this meeting, we will have 3" x 5" cards on the table. We will ask each chapter member to list three areas, in your order of preference, where you are willing to assist. Although Committee Chairpersons have been chosen, the Committees will not be chosen until after this meeting. Each Committee Chairperson will sit with the Convention Coordinator and select the members of their committee. These cards will be seriously considered. The main reason for the Coordinator being a part of the committee selection process is to avoid having some people serving on too many committees.

When we were looking at the date for the July 2 – 6, 2012, AGO National Convention, it seemed a long way off. I thought it was going to be a while before we had to get serious about our work. But the more I study our responsibilities, the more I know that we have a very serious schedule to follow from NOW until July 2, 2012, if we are going to be ready and successful in hosting this major event.

We look forward to your being a part of the October 2nd Town Hall Meeting!

William E. Gray, Jr., 2012 Convention Coordinator

*The purpose of the American Guild of Organists is to promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles, to encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music, and to provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members.*



## TREASURER'S REPORT, 2005-2006

### CHAPTER INCOME

Program Year Opening Balance .....	\$9258.50
Membership Renewals .....	8,318.00
Chapter Expense Contributions .....	9,402.00
Yearbook Ads .....	890.00
Chapter Dinner Payments .....	8,322.00
Nashville Chapter POE .....	5,440.75
First Tennessee CD Interest .....	341.25
Endowment Fund Contributions .....	921.00
Miscellaneous Reimbursements .....	1,297.58
Total Chapter Income .....	\$44,191.08

### CHAPTER EXPENSES

AGO National Membership Dues .....	-7,266.00
Chapter Program Expenses .....	-12,437.23
Caterer .....	-8,140.50
2005-2006 Yearbook .....	-1,495.55
Miscellaneous Expenses .....	-1,970.32
Total Chapter Expenses .....	-\$31,309.60
Program Year Closing Balance .....	\$12,881.48

### BEGINNING 2006-2007 PROGRAM YEAR

Program Year Opening Balance .....	\$12,881.48
*2006-2007 Membership renewals .....	5,542.00
*2006-2007 Program Expense Contributions .....	1,643.00
(*As of 5/15/06)	
AGO National Membership Dues .....	-3,192.00
**2012 National Convention .....	-5,000.00
(**Funds moved to separate account)	
Account Balance 5/15/06 .....	\$11,874.48

## CALENDAR OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE MUSIC EVENTS

(Compiled from Nashville AGO members; see <[www.nashvilleago.org](http://www.nashvilleago.org)> for updates)

June 4, 6:00 PM

Chamber Concert and Choral Evensong for Pentecost

All Saints' Choir, Lisa Barry, Organist and Choirmaster

All Saints' Parish—Smyrna

June 11, 5:00 PM

Laudate Youth Choir Pacific Northwest Tour Homecoming Concert

Westminster Presbyterian Church—Nashville

## MEMBER NEWS

Dr. Matthew Manwarren is leaving Belmont University to teach at Winthrop University in Rock Hill, South Carolina, this fall.

We express our deepest sympathy to Rev. Carol Tate in the death of her father-in-law, Kyser Cowart Ptomey, in Houston, Texas in April.

Thank you to one of our members who funds our student dinners. One of our students responded with these kind words:

"The unexpected generosity of the meals at the AGO meetings was greatly appreciated. I am honored to be a member of the Nashville chapter where students are encouraged by their fellow members. Thank you for your thoughtfulness."

## FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Thanks go to many of you who have already renewed your membership for 2006-07. For those who are planning to renew, there is a membership form in this issue of *Pipelines*. Thanks for sending it to our treasurer, Jonathan Setzer, by the end of June.

Several of our new members who joined this past season are not performers, but are great appreciators of the organ and choral music. Check the choir or member roster in your church for prospective members of our Guild. Send me their information and I will contact them this summer.

As you hear of new musicians in our area this summer, let me know so I can send them membership information.

I consider all members of our chapter a part of the membership committee. You have done a wonderful job in the past by sending me names of prospective members. Keep up the good work.

Sharron Lyon, Membership Chair  
<[sharronlyon@comcast.net](mailto:sharronlyon@comcast.net)> or 615-373-9820



## HAPPY FACES FROM OUR MAY MEETING AT ST. GEORGE'S



Please view and enjoy the new and wonderful Nashville Chapter website:

<http://www.nashvilleago.org>.

Many thanks to **Pat Parris** for his skill and hard work creating the new website!

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

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

No dinner, Program 7:30, Reception following 9/11 Memorial/Celebration.  
Multiple Choirs directed by Sir David Willcocks  
First Baptist Church, 108 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Nashville

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

Dinner and Program 6:30 PM  
Kick-off meeting for 2012 National Convention  
Location: Centennial Club, 2805 Abbott Martin Road, Nashville (Green Hills)

**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

**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

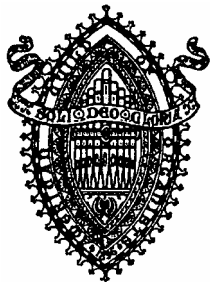
Dinner 6:30, Program 7:30 PM  
Organ Recital by Malcolm Matthews, winner of Region IV Quimby Competition and performer at the ChicAGO Convention as a “Rising Star”  
Belmont United Methodist Church, 2007 Acklen Avenue, Nashville

**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



# American Guild of Organists

## Nashville Chapter

### Membership Form 2006-07

It is time to renew your membership for the 2006-07 year. Your dues include a one-year's subscription to *The American Organist* magazine (TAO) and support for the programs offered by the national organization and by our local chapter. To continue receiving the benefits of membership and your TAO subscription, please mail your dues payment now. **Contributions beyond dues are encouraged and tax-deductible.**

Make your check payable to  
Nashville Chapter AGO  
And mail with this completed form to:

**Jonathan Setzer**  
744 Newberry Rd.  
Nashville, TN 37205

#### Membership Category (check one)

- |   |      |         |
|---|------|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular voting member  | \$84 | \$_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special voting member<br>(over 65, under 21, or disabled)      | \$60 | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student voting member<br>(full-time, with valid school ID)     | \$32 | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Partner voting member<br>(only one TAO per household)          | \$60 | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dual voting member<br>(Primary chapter _____)                  | \$33 | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student dual member  | \$12 | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter friend (non-voting)<br>(includes Pipelines but no TAO) | \$25 | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contribution for chapter programs                              |      | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contribution to Endowment Fund                                 |      | _____   |

**Total Amount Enclosed** \$\_\_\_\_\_

#### READ THIS

You must complete **ALL** information below, **EVEN IF THERE IS NO CHANGE** from previous years. **ONLY** this information will be included in the 2006-07 Chapter Year Book. Thank you!

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#### ABOUT YOU (PLEASE PRINT)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 AGO Certificates \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phones:  
 Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

#### ABOUT YOUR MUSICAL WORK

**Position 1**  
 Org/Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organ Make \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. of Manuals/Ranks \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year \_\_\_\_\_ Builder \_\_\_\_\_

**Position 2**  
 Org/Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organ Make \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. of Manuals/Ranks \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year \_\_\_\_\_ Builder \_\_\_\_\_



## Nashville Chapter 2006–2007 Opening Program

### **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE**

**A memorial celebration with multiple choirs  
directed by Sir David Willcocks.**

**Monday September 11 7:30 PM**

First Baptist Church  
108 Seventh Avenue, South Downtown Nashville, TN

There is no chapter dinner preceding the service;  
a reception will follow the service.

This service open to the community.  
State and local dignitaries and government officials  
have been invited to participate and join us for this service.

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