

# PIPELINES

NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

SEPTEMBER, 2016

Dear Nashville Colleagues:

Hello, and welcome to the first edition of *Pipelines* for the 2016-17 Program Year. I hope that you had the opportunity this summer for rest and refreshment, and perhaps travel, too. I'm looking forward to our upcoming season, to welcoming everyone back from summer activities and to welcoming our new members.

First, some words of thanks: to Nick Bergin for his excellent work as Dean this past year and for his encouragement and positive attitude. Second, to those dedicated members who have agreed to host programs or host a presenter. You selflessly provide support to your colleagues and the Chapter, and we are grateful. While planning certainly goes into the events, it's a team effort by dedicated members to execute the plan. Thanks to all of you for your efforts on the Chapter's behalf!

Especially as we begin the new Program Year, I am indebted to those members who perform tasks that seem to be behind the scenes. The Chapter email lines have been busy over the summer with OnCard questions and membership reminders! Thanks to Janet Schmidt and Gary Scott, who have worked tirelessly to communicate with members. Thanks, too, to James Jordan, who performed an audit of the Chapter's financial records (and found the records to be accurate and in good order). Sharron Lyon, Darryl Miller, and the *Pipelines* staff keep us on track and fully informed. Thank you to all of you!

I'm looking forward to all that the beginning of the season brings, starting with an interesting program on Monday, September 12. We're delighted to be guests of Rabbi Joshua Barton and the West End Synagogue. This program was the brainchild of Nick Bergin and Rabbi Barton, and I'm excited to begin our year together at West End Synagogue.

Please take note of the other opportunities that your colleagues offer throughout the year, and show your support through your attendance and interest. See you on September 12th!

Rhonda Swanson  
Dean

**SEPTEMBER PROGRAM — MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 — 7:30 PM**

## **NASHVILLE SINGS THE PSALMS**

West End Synagogue • 3810 West End Avenue • Nashville, Tennessee 37205

DINNER — 6:30 PM — Reservations, *due by September 7*,  
can be made online @ [www.nashvilleago.org](http://www.nashvilleago.org), click on Dinner Reservations,  
or contact Linda Winters at 615-456-2065 or @ [lwinters357@gmail.com](mailto:lwinters357@gmail.com)

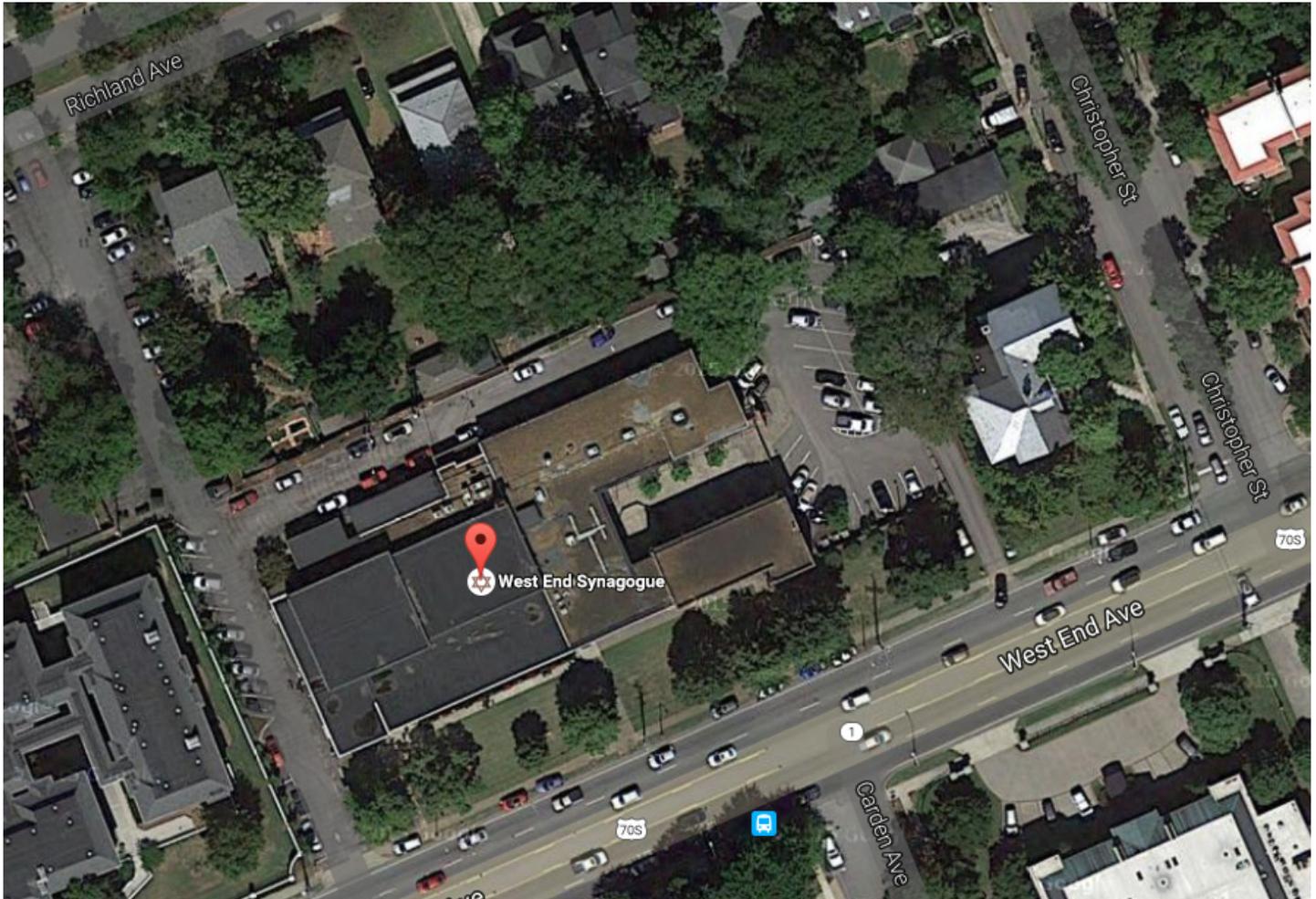
**Cost of dinner: \$18.**

# NASHVILLE SINGS THE PSALMS

Monday, September 12, 2016    West End Synagogue, Nashville    7:30 PM

The Nashville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists joins West End Synagogue in hosting area houses of worship to participate in a concert of Psalms from various liturgical traditions. It will showcase our shared spiritual heritage, the diversity of musical interpretations of the Psalms, and the way the Psalms have shaped the way we worship. Join us for an exciting and unique worship experience.

Park behind West End Synagogue, either in the parking lot at the east end of the building or behind the west end of the building facing the street behind West End Avenue.



## MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to **Mr. and Mrs. Nick Bergin** (Rachel Stubbs), who married on August 6.

**Dakota Hill** is the new Director of Music and Worship Arts at Dyersburg First United Methodist Church, Dyersburg, Tenn.

On July 28, **Wilma Jensen** and soprano Rebecca Price presented a recital at All Hallows by the Tower, London, England.

Congratulations to **Dr. Chris Keenan**, who received his Doctor of Musical Arts (DMA) from the University of Texas, Austin, in May.

**Thomas Russell**, former organist of Covenant Presbyterian Church, Nashville, is now Organist/Assistant Music Director at historic First Presbyterian Church, Columbia, South Carolina.

**Michael Velting** was reelected National AGO Councillor for Conventions at the Houston National Convention in June.

**Eric Wyse** has recently been appointed organist at First Presbyterian Church, Columbia, Tenn.

Sincere condolences to **Carol McClure, Parker Ramsay,** and **Wes Ramsay** on the death of Carol's mother, and to **David Lyle** and **Doug Murray** on the death of David's mother.

We fondly remember **Peter McNeely Fyfe** (August 23, 1923-May 7, 2016), a tireless supporter of Nashville AGO and Organist/Choirmaster at Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral, Nashville, for 35 years. Peter and his wife and musical partner, Lois, who died in 2014, sponsored countless Nashville AGO programs. At the AGO National Convention 2012, held in Nashville, Lois and Peter were honored by National AGO with the Edward A. Hansen Leadership Award "in recognition of their commitment to excellence in music, unparalleled knowledge of sacred music, their roles as teachers and mentors, and their leadership, devoted service, and extraordinary generosity to the AGO". For the Convention 2012, the Fyfes underwrote the concert of the famed Choir of Trinity College, Cambridge.

**Lois Fyfe Music** invites you to browse organ music recently donated by long-time member, Lee Engles.

Welcome New Members:

### **Marjorie Johnston**

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Marjorie recently completed an Interim Choirmaster position at St. George's Episcopal Church.

### **Robert T. Klingbeil**

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Robert is transferring his AGO membership to Nashville from the Memphis Chapter, where he was recently elected Dean. He is Director of Institutional Sales, Steinway Piano Gallery, Nashville.

### **Geoffrey Harris Ward, D.M.A., ARCO**

We welcome the new Organist and Choirmaster, All Saints' Chapel at Sewanee, The University of the South

## FROM MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Welcome! We begin our 2016-17 season with 170 members (August 20th Oncard report). Renewals are still coming in. I encourage all of you to seek new members for our active chapter. If you have students, please encourage them to join Nashville AGO. Thanks to Gary Scott for helping many of you with your Oncard questions and to Sharron Lyon, who is always there to advise. Our third year of online renewals was easier. Special thanks to all of you who renewed early and made Gary's and my jobs less difficult. Please send your referrals for prospective new members to me, as well as any other member news and announcements.

**Janet Schmidt**

Nashville AGO Membership Chair

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To join Nashville AGO or renew your membership:

[www.agohq.org/oncard](http://www.agohq.org/oncard)

## COMING SOON!

The new Membership Directory will soon be posted to our Chapter website. With the login/password information to be emailed to all members in a separate email, you will be able to login from the website, open, and view the membership file. You will also be able to print a copy, or save to your desktop, tablet, or smart phone. For our snail-mail members, a printed copy of the directory will be provided, and help will be available to any member who may have difficulty accessing or printing a copy from the website.

The member photo section of the current printed Yearbook will also be included in this "member only" section of the website. We will be working to update this file with more recent photos from a scheduled photo shoot-night before a Chapter dinner or individual member photo submissions.

Look for the Directory posting news email soon!

**Jonathan Setzer**

Membership Directory Editor

**FROM GAYLE SULLIVAN,  
ARTS CALENDAR CHAIR**

The 2016-2017 Arts Calendar is in progress and when completed, will be available on our Chapter's website.



*Chanticleer*  
*in Music City*

**AMERICA'S PREMIERE  
PROFESSIONAL CHORAL ENSEMBLE  
— FIRST NASHVILLE APPEARANCE  
IN MORE THAN 20 YEARS**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2016  
7:30 PM**

**THE CATHEDRAL OF THE INCARNATION  
2015 WEST END AVENUE, NASHVILLE, TN 37203**

**\$45/\$35/\$25 (all seats reserved)**

*net proceeds benefit the Cathedral Organ Replacement Fund*

visit [www.cathedralnashville.org](http://www.cathedralnashville.org)  
for information and to purchase tickets

**“THE WORLD’S REIGNING  
MALE CHORUS.” - THE NEW YORKER**

**An Invitation from Jackson Schoos**

The Cathedral of the Incarnation is thrilled to announce that CHANTICLEER — America's premiere professional choir — will sing their first concert in Nashville in more than 20 years at the Cathedral on Thursday, October 27, 2016, 7:30 PM. I hope many of you will wish to attend, and I'm also sincerely inviting you to forward this information to your friends, colleagues, choir members, church members, etc., who you believe might be interested. (We're very hopeful that we can sell this concert out without much paid advertising.)

More details are contained below and on the attached flyer. In addition, a significant amount of information — including links to recorded performances — can be found at [www.cathedralnashville.org](http://www.cathedralnashville.org). You can also purchase your tickets very conveniently on our website. (Please note that as of this date, approximately one-half of the top price-tier of tickets have already been sold.)

We're honored to have a part in presenting a world-class performing ensemble here in Music City, and hope you'll want to share this exciting musical experience with us!

Jackson Schoos  
Cathedral of the Incarnation

**JOB OPENING**

**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, James Johnson at 931-473-4419.

Charlotte Hughes, Placement Chair

An updated substitute list is available on the chapter website: [www.nashvilleago.org](http://www.nashvilleago.org)