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The American Guild of Organists promotes the organ in its historic and evolving roles, encourages excellence in the performance of organ and choral music, and provides a forum for the mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members.

I'd Never Get Elected—Would I?

Have you ever wondered what members of the chapter Executive Committee really do? The members of the Executive Committee Class of 2011—Chuck Yannerella, Mark Meuser, and Tom Gerke—have taken time to reflect on their experience of the past three years and describe the investment of your AGO chapter votes at work.

Tom Gerke neatly summarizes his experience on the Executive Committee:

- It is a privilege to be of service to the membership of such an important and needed organization.
- It is a good thing to witness the resourcefulness, creativity, and dedication of the chapter leadership.
- It is rewarding to become better acquainted with fellow members as one participates in the Executive Committee meetings, shares in a meal prior to some meetings, and works with fellow members in planning and making arrangements for member events.

Mark Meuser writes, “I agreed to run for a position on the Executive Committee of the Columbus AGO because I thought I had no chance of winning the election. Imagine my surprise when I was actually elected! After three years on the committee, I have obviously had a much greater involvement in the guild than ever before. I met and became friends with many wonderful people and was proud to be part of a team dedicated to putting together interesting and high-quality programs throughout the year. I would encourage any AGO member to accept the challenge of being on the Executive Committee.”

And from Chuck Yannerella—“I was asked to serve on the Executive Committee by Dean Laura Silva when another committee member was unable to complete an unexpired term. I accepted because I felt I should do my part to support the AGO in Central Ohio and its role in fostering interest in the organ and its literature. As I served on the committee, I was impressed by the way our organization is run. This includes the management of our financial resources, the open discussion of ideas for meetings and programs and the desire to reach out to area church musicians who are not yet AGO members. I think it’s worth the investment of our time to keep the love of the organ alive and vibrant.”

Tom, Mark, and Chuck complete their terms on June 30, 2011. Our thanks to you for your outstanding service!

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Hymn Festival with Richard Webster

Sunday, February 13
3:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Cathedral
212 East Broad Street
Columbus 43215

Bach Birthday Bash

Monday, March 21
7:30 p.m.

Asbury United Methodist Church
55 West Lincoln Avenue
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Region V Convention

Racing to Lexington

Bluegrass, Bourbon, and now Bach

June 12-15, 2011

Carla Edwards, Jack Mitchener
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www.2011LexingtonAGO.com



Julia Richardson Parker

The Dean's List

- May this Christmas and holiday season bring a large measure of joy and peace to you, your family, friends and loved ones.
- “Communications” is the new Dean’s Committee that Sara Seidel heads. It encompasses *The Guild*, the chapter website, our Facebook page, and email—all the avenues of communicating with our membership that you have come to appreciate and anticipate.

- Need a dose of C major or d minor or B or E or some other key? Tune into Pipedreams with Michael Barone on WOSU radio at 10:00 on Sunday evenings.
- As the New Year begins, make a pact with yourself to schedule a couple of specific times for organ practice each week. Be realistic; then manage your schedule precisely and intentionally.
- Speak to an Executive Committee member about your ideas for the next program year, about someone who would be a good EC member, or how the Columbus Chapter-AGO might more effectively serve you in your church or synagogue work. The EC members want to converse with you!

Looking Ahead: March Program

Monday, March 21 – 7:30 p.m.

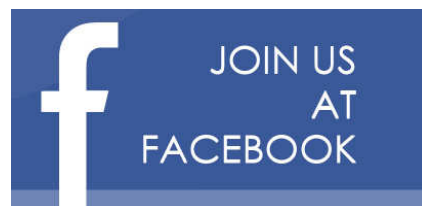
Bach Birthday Bash

Asbury United Methodist Church, 55 West Lincoln Avenue, Delaware

Our March meeting will be devoted to the music of J. S. Bach. In fact, arrangements are being made to see whether Bach himself can attend. We would like to share with him and with our membership the answers to two questions.

1. Which J. S. Bach piece do you most like to play?
2. Which J. S. Bach piece do you most like to hear played, but seldom hear in live performance?

You will soon be receiving an e-mail to which you can respond with your selections. *Soli Deo Gloria!*



Find us: Columbus Chapter AGO

Recitals & Concerts

First Thursday Noontime Organ Recital Series: Joseph Musser

Thursday, Dec. 2, 12:15 p.m. / Asbury United Methodist Church
55 W. Lincoln Avenue, Delaware 43015

Joseph is organist at First Presbyterian Church in Delaware. His program will offer selections for Advent. Recitals are from 12:15 to 12:45 with coffee and tea provided for those wishing to bring lunch.

Handel *Messiah*, Part I, and Vivaldi *Concerto for Two Trumpets*

Sunday, Dec. 5, 10:30 a.m. / St. John's Church (UCC)
59 E. Mound Street, Columbus 43215 / 614.224.8634

Choir, chamber orchestra, and soloists Kathryn Teixeira, Melinda Green, John Mitchell, and Richard Paul, with May Schwarz, director. www.stjohnscmh.org

Matthew Ward in Concert (Dove Award Artist)

Friday, Dec. 10, 7:00 pm / Beautiful Savior Lutheran church
478 W. Olentangy Street (Powell Rd.) / Powell 43065

For more information, please contact John Hohe at 614.932.9122 or PastorHohe@rrohio.com.

The Scioto Valley Brass and Percussion Company

Saturday, Dec. 11, 5:30 p.m. / Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
100 E. Schrock Road, Westerville 43081 / 614.882.3026

Part of the community concert series "A Joyful Noise!" There is no admission fee. A freewill offering will be collected to support the series.

Vivaldi *Gloria* and Handel *Messiah*, Part I: The Broadstreet Choir and Orchestra

Saturday, Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m. / Broad Street Presbyterian Church
760 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215 / 614.221.6552

\$10.00 suggested donation; www.bspsc.org for more information.

K. Lee Scott's *Christmas Cantata* with orchestra, choirs, and organ

Sunday, Dec. 12, 8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. services / Church of the Messiah UM
51 N. State Street, Westerville 43081 / 614.882.2167

Christmas Concert: *Savior of the Nations, Come* by Michael Burkhardt

Sunday, Dec. 12, 7:00 p.m. / Second Presbyterian Church
42 E. Church Street, Newark 43055 / 740.349.8691

Combined choirs of First United Methodist, St. Paul's Lutheran and Second Presbyterian Churches, directed by Laura Dulle, accompanied by Rick Black, organist, the Heisey Brass Quartet, and SPC Chancel Bells.

Pergolesi *Magnificat*

Sunday, Dec. 12, 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. services / All Saints Lutheran Church
6770 N. High Street, Worthington 43085 / 614.885.0112

The All Saints Lutheran Church Chancel Choir, directed by Jan Arthur, will present *Magnificat* by Giovanni Pergolesi, accompanied by a string ensemble.

An Advent Afternoon

Sunday, Dec. 12, 3:00 p.m. / Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church
1559 Roxbury Road, Columbus 43212

Music for Advent and Christmas performed by the parish choir with orchestra. For further information: Carol Ann Bradley, 614.348.8822.

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Last Call for Photos

If you have photographs of our chapter members, organs, choirs, or events that you are willing to share for the new website, please forward them as soon as possible to:

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Thank you!

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Obituary: Otto Guttman

Chapter member Otto J. Guttman, "Bob", was born October 27, 1921, to Emma and Bernhard Guttman in Hamburg, Germany, and died on November 2, 2010, in Columbus, Ohio. Survived by wife, Inge R; children, Robert (Paula) Jenson, Edward Douglas Guttman, Lilian (Keith) Robinson; grandchildren, Ethan and Grant Robinson; step grandchild, Leigh (Andy) Barron; step great-grandson, Reid Barron. A memorial service was held Monday, November 8, 2010, at Wexner Heritage Village Chapel.



Guilder Deadline

The deadline for the January Guilder is December 15.

Please send information to Sara Seidel at sara@seidelnemeth.com or 614.507.5917.

Omissions

The photograph of the organ at St. Michael Church in the November issue of *The Guilder* was courtesy of Anthony Fabro.

Thank you!

Recitals & Concerts, continued

Bach Magnificat: St. Joseph Cathedral Choir

Sunday, Dec. 12, 3:00 p.m. / St. Joseph Cathedral
212 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215 / 614.241.2526

The Cathedral Choir and orchestra perform J. S. Bach's *Magnificat* and other works for the Advent and Christmas seasons. This popular concert, always in the heart of Advent, is a wonderful opportunity for the audience to sing the great Christmas carols with the Cathedral organs, orchestra, and choir.

Come to the Stable

Sunday, Dec. 12, 3:00 p.m. / Northwest Christian Church
1340 Fishinger Road, Columbus 43221 / 614.457.6290

The spirit of the holiday season comes to life through this Christmas program presented by the choirs of Northwest.

Christmas Eve at Second Presbyterian Church

Friday, Dec. 24 / Second Presbyterian Church
42 E. Church Street, Newark 43055 / 740.349.8691

7:30 p.m. — Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

10:30 p.m. — Christmas Eve organ recital (Rick Black, organist)

11:00 p.m. — Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Directory updates and Additions

Mimi King

New phone number: 614.485.9216

Katie O'Keefe

New email address: katie030569@gmail.com

And—welcome to new member Glenn Stroh!

Glenn Stroh

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Organist, Covenant Presbyterian Church

Glenn is available to sub Sunday evenings, weddings and funerals, and is familiar with Catholic, Episcopal, and Lutheran liturgies. He also has a private organ studio.

Let's Celebrate!

The Columbus Chapter will celebrate 100 years in 2016.

Much of our history is missing. We are looking for...

Historical AGO records and minutes • *Programs from early recitals* •
Newspaper clippings relating to the AGO • *Recollections of important events from our past* • *Names of former members who might be storing these materials or who might have memories to share*

Please call Carol Hofer at 488-8557 or email her at fandchofer@aol.com.

Position Available

Director of Music Ministry, Gethsemane Lutheran Church

35 E. Stanton Avenue, Columbus 43214 / www.gethsemane.org

Gethsemane Lutheran Church is accepting applications for the position of **Director of Music Ministry**. This position is approximately half time. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Earliest start date is mid-January 2011.

Gethsemane Lutheran Church is a community where:

- Music supports and enhances worship.
- Music has a high priority in the life of the community including congregational singing, vocal choir, praise band/choir, bell choir, instrumental offerings and youth involvement.
- A variety of musical styles in worship is important. Both Traditional and Contemporary worship styles are highly valued and need a clear presence.
- We have a core group of talented amateur musicians (instrumentalists as well as vocalists).
- We wish to grow involvement of youth in the music life of the congregation.

Instruments in the church include:

- A 3-manual, 33-rank Bunn=Minnick Organ
- A 6-foot Charles R Walter grand piano
- 5 octaves of hand bells
- Various other instruments including, timpani, conga drums, and harpsichord

We are looking for a **Director of Music Ministry** who:

- Has a clear idea of the function of music in Lutheran worship.
- Has an understanding and appreciation of Lutheran liturgy and hymnody.
- Has overall accountability for the music ministry of the church. Carries out key functions but makes wide use of volunteers, empowering them by providing resources and encouragement.
- Appreciates a variety of musical styles in worship.
- Has the ability to broaden participation of the congregation in our music life through encouragement and direction.
- Will oversee the development of youth involvement in music.
- Has the ability to cultivate and work with volunteers.
- Has competency in organ, piano, and conducting.

Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree in music
- Prior experience as Director of Music in a church setting preferred

Compensation is based on education and experience; includes benefit package.

Submit resume to:

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Plenty remains for us all to do to celebrate and promote awareness of the King of Instruments!