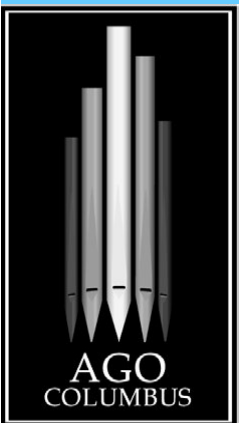


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Included in this mailing with the Guilder is a brochure outlining a complete first glance at the 2007 Region V Convention of the American Guild of Organists to be held in Columbus, Ohio on June 25 - 28, 2007. The convention steering committee is very excited finally to be able to share with you the names of artists to be featured and the venues we will visit for concerts, worship services and workshops. At least two complete years of work have gone into the preparation thus far.

Because you may wonder about the absence of one prestigious venue, we want to share that, despite Herculean efforts on our part, we had no success at including the Ohio Theater as a setting for a convention event. Due to a program of some nature, the room and organ were inaccessible to us at any and all times during the convention week. We are very sorry to report this fact, but it is not due to a lack of effort on our part.

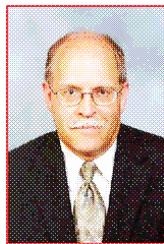
Hopefully you will acknowledge that we have utilized the downtown area as well as suburbs, one as far away as Delaware, Ohio, to allow the convention attendees to experience a broad range of the great institutions and instruments that comprise our fantastic Greater Columbus area of communities.

Motivated by the awesome week we have put together, feel free to contact Stan Osborn to make known your willingness to help as a volunteer in the adventure or send a donation to AGO Discovers Columbus, 50 Hayden Avenue, Columbus, OH 43222-1019.

Thanks for your support,

Al Adcock,

Convention Coordinator



Robert Wisniewski, AAGO

Dean's Corner

Two Sides of Summer - for many, this is a season for down time, vacation time, personal growth time. It is also the season of the year which perhaps best displays the *abundance* of God's creation, rather than its *absence*.

I am reminded of two very different musical expressions of these "sides of summer":

*"Summertime, and the livin' is easy/
Fish are jumpin' and the cotton is high..."*
(Ira Gershwin, *Porgy and Bess*);

"With joy I await the lovely summertime..."
(Michael Praetorius, further paraphrased in Brahms'
Eleven Chorale Preludes, op. 122)

Keep both "sides of summer" in mind as you pursue much-needed renewal and relaxation between now and September.

Speaking of summer activities, a group of us led by our indefatigable Convention Coordinator Al Adcock will attend the 2006 ChicAGO National Convention in July. We will be manning a booth there with handouts urging colleagues from all over the country to attend next year's Region V Convention in Columbus - it will be an exciting week for everyone!

Before closing, I want to congratulate Carol Ann Bradley, Matthew Estes, and Brad Hall on being elected to the Columbus AGO Executive Committee. I look forward to working with them this year and am thankful for the energy and ideas which they will bring. Finally, I must also thank Don Capelle for opening his Buckeye Lake cottage to us for our May 8 party. Despite the overcast weather that evening, it was a lovely setting for socializing, informal music-making, and conducting an election! Yours,

Robert Wisniewski, AAGO
Dean, Columbus Chapter AGO

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**WEDDING
MUSIC
PROGRAM**

The first Guild meeting in the Fall will be a program of wedding music. *Wedding Music Plus* will provide an opportunity for organists to share some of the music they play at weddings, and an opportunity for brides and interested persons to hear what is available for wedding music. Many of the selections will involve another instrument. Anne Saylor is organizing the September 18th program at Peace Lutheran Church in Gahanna. She is compiling a bibliography of wedding favorites and 'gems' played by chapter members. Please list some of your favorites and email to Anne at asaylor1502@wideopenwest.com. At weddings, we play for folks who do not know how exciting, interesting, and varied organ music can be.

**WILBUR
HELD
RECITAL IN
COLUMBUS**

Dr. Wilbur Held, F.A.G.O., will be appearing in concert at Northwest Christian Church, 1340 Fishinger Road in Upper Arlington on Sunday, October 15, 2006 at 3:00 P. M. The concert, one of the Chalice Arts Series, is free and open to the public although a freewill offering will be taken. This is the 11th season for the Chalice Arts Series, the 50th anniversary season for Northwest Christian Church and the 50th anniversary season for the 1957 Schantz pipe organ relocated at Northwest from Birmingham, Alabama. This is the same vintage Schantz as the one at Mershon auditorium designed by Wilbur and featured in last October's Columbus Chapter AGO Organ Crawl. Please set this date aside.

**ELIJAH
SCORES
NEEDED**

Kay Larson's friend is still in need of copies of Mendelssohn's 'Elijah' arranged by Ellen Jane Lorenz. The score is no longer available from the publisher, and is no longer stocked by music dealers. If you have a copy or copies of this edition available, please contact Kay Larson. Phone: 740-775-1445 or email: larsonrk@adelphia.net. Please note the correct e-mail address which was misprinted in the last *Guilder*.

**PAUL FRITTS
ORGAN
ARRIVING AT
CATHEDRAL**

The Paul Fritts & Co. organ will arrive at Saint Joseph Cathedral on Sunday, August 13 at 1:30 p.m. A work party is being planned to get the organ pipes unloaded from the two trucks. There are pieces ranging in weight from the 32' *Subbass* and *Posaune* to the tiniest Mixture pipes. If you are interested in helping with this historic event, please contact the Cathedral Music Office at 614-241-2526. Dinner will be provided. Bishop Campbell will dedicate the organ on Friday, December 15 at 7:30 p.m. A season of inaugural events is planned.

**MARILYN
KEISER
RECITAL AT
CAPITAL
UNIVERSITY**

The Association of Lutheran Church Musicians will be meeting in Columbus July 11-15. The conference week has the theme *Bring Many Names*. Two events of special interest to Chapter members include the Organ Recital by Marilyn Keiser on Tuesday, July 11 at 8:00 p.m., in Mees Hall of Capital University and the Hymn Festival on Wednesday evening, July 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the *Gloria Dei Worship Center* on the Trinity Seminary Campus. The public is also invited to the worship services throughout the conference. After the Organ Recital on Tuesday evening, Compline will be held in Trinity Seminary's Schenk Chapel; on Wednesday evening after the Hymn Festival, Contemplative Prayer (Taizé) will be held in Schenk Chapel. There will be music displays available during the entire event. The entire schedule can be viewed online at www.aclm.org.

**EDITOR OF
THE GUILDER
POSITION OPEN**

Bill Miller has submitted his resignation as editor of the chapter's *Guilder* because of job obligations. This is an opportunity to be part of the success of the Guild. If you are interested and have the computer skills to step into this position, please contact Dean Bob Wisniewski.

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THANKS to **G. Dene Bernard**, **Jane McFadden**, and **John Muller** who have served on the Executive Committee for the past 3 years. In addition to being responsible for specific duties to keep the Chapter going, the Executive Committee meets almost once a month to plan the programs of the Guild, and oversee the business of the Chapter. Thank you Dene, Jane and John.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHANGES

The newly elected Executive Committee members :

Carol Ann Bradley is Minister of Worship and Music at North Broadway United Methodist Church in Columbus, where she has served for 30 years. In addition to playing for 2 of the Sunday services, she directs 8 of the 10 singing and ringing choirs of the church. She was ordained as a United Methodist pastor in 2000, and makes hospital calls, and volunteers as a tutor in the neighborhood elementary school. She is a graduate of Douglass College of Rutgers University and Union Theological Seminary in New York City.

Matt Estes is currently the Organist/Choirmaster for Harcourt Parish that worships in the Church of the Holy Spirit on the Kenyon College Campus. In addition to the church duties, he has served as musical director for *Gospel at Colonus* as well as a series entitled *Feel the Spirit*. Matt leads the jazz services at St. Stephen's Episcopal here in Columbus and is helping to get the music program started at the re-opening of the former St. Paul's Episcopal Church, now St. Cyprian of Carthage Church, on East Broad Street. Matt plays with a baroque trio, and has played numerous informal concerts at the wineries in Napa, CA. Matt served as Sub-Dean of the Cincinnati AGO Chapter 2000-2002.

Brad Hall is Cantor/Director of Music/Organist at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church on South High Street. He began studying organ with Trudy Faber at Wittenberg University when he was a sophomore in high school, and continued studying with her through his undergraduate days at Wittenberg. Brad is now pursuing the M.A. in church music at Trinity Seminary. Previous positions include Church of the Holy Trinity, Episcopal in Bellefontaine, and Grace Evangelical Lutheran in Springfield.

Members of the Executive Committee continuing in their 3-year term include Evalyn Brandt, Tim Fields, Tim

Columbus is the site for the Moravian Music Festival, July 2-8, on the campuses of Trinity Seminary and Capital University. Moravian music is an important chapter in American music. The Moravian composers brought their European training and classical style across the waters; here in America, their music developed without being influenced by the new trends leading to the Romantic style in Europe. This is the twenty-second festival. There are numerous concerts and events open to the public. The concert on July 7th with chorus and the Columbus Bach Ensemble Orchestra, will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the birth of Christian David Jaeschke. The concert in Mees Hall begins at 8 p.m., with prelude music 7:15-7:45 p.m.

MORAVIAN MUSIC FESTIVAL

July 4th around 4 p.m. there will be a reading of *The Psalm of Joy*, a cantata compiled by Johann Friedrich Peter, which was performed at the earliest documented celebration of Independence Day in the United States. At 8 p.m. the re-created 26th North Carolina Regiment Band (members of the Federal City Brass Band wearing replica Confederate uniforms) will present an outdoor concert. Enjoy the concert with a Graeter's ice cream cone purchased from the vendors. The Festival Concert Band will present a concert in Mees Hall at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 6th (prelude music 7:15-7:45). On Saturday morning, July 8th, at 9:00 a.m., the trombone choir will perform in Mees Hall. If you've never heard a choir of soprano, alto, tenor and bass trombones, you're in for a treat. It's a wonderful memorable sound that is a uniquely Moravian tradition.

The Festival Chairman has extended a warm welcome to the members of the Columbus Chapter AGO. Let's take advantage of this marvelous event in our fair city. Further details can be found at www.moravianmusicfestival.org.

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Events of Interest to AGO Members

- June 18 9:00 p.m. Compline at First Congregational Church
June 20 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Trinity Seminary presents the Jeni Fleming Trio
June 27 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Trinity Seminary presents Brasileria
July 2 9:00 p.m. Compline at St. Joseph Cathedral
July 4 4:00 p.m. *The Psalm of Joy* at the Moravian Music Festival, Mees Hall, Capital University
July 4 8:00 p.m. Outdoor concert by the 26th North Carolina Regiment Band, Moravian Music Festival
July 6 8:00 p.m. Moravian Music Festival Band Concert - Mees Hall
July 7 8:00 p.m. Moravian Music Festival Chorus & Columbus Bach Ensemble Orchestra
July 8 9:00 a.m. Trombone Choir concert, Mees Hall, Capital University
July 11 8:00 p.m. Marilyn Keiser Organ recital, Mees Hall
July 12 7:30 p.m. Hymn Festival, *Gloria Dei Worship Center*, Trinity Seminary
July 16 9:00 p.m. Compline at First Congregation Church
Aug 6 9:00 p.m. Compline at St. Joseph Cathedral
Aug 7-8 8:30 a.m. Augsburg Summer Music Clinic with Anton Armstrong & John Ferguson
at Trinity Lutheran Seminary
Aug 7 7:30 p.m. Hymn Festival at Augsburg Summer Music Clinic
Aug 13 1:30 p.m. Work Party to unload two trucks of organ pipes at St. Joseph Cathedral
Aug 20 9:00 p.m. Compline at First Congregation Church