



Montre

Newsletter of the Sarasota-Manatee Chapter
of the American Guild of Organists

November 2016

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FROM THE DEAN

Unlikely. Unbelievable. Improbable. Incredible. Those are some of the adjectives that came to mind as I read two emails I received in the past two weeks.

You see, I was planning on writing this month about what our Chapter might do to encourage young pianists to take up the study of the organ or assist pianists who have been recruited to play the organ for church services.

The first email was from Isabelle Demers, Assistant Professor at Baylor University, writing on behalf of the AGO Committee on the New Organists. She writes, "CONO is a newly formed committee whose primary goal is to provide pianists and entry-level organists ('new organists') with educational resources that will enable them to increase their skill level at the organ." The committee is creating a list of organ teachers per region/area, including people willing to teach via Facetime, Skype, or other lesson types. The list will be posted on the

CONO's webpage. The information requested can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. We also could create a section on our own website for this information.

The second email was from Anne Laver, Assistant Professor & University Organist at Syracuse University. She is compiling a list of events and programs sponsored by AGO chapters that are designed to engage and recruit young organists. The list she has compiled so far includes some opportunities we might consider offering.

On the chapter level we could offer:

- ◆ Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza program where piano students are introduced to the pipe organ and given the opportunity to play a piano piece on the organ.
- ◆ POE+ A program for students 19 years and older who want to play the organ, or want to improve their organ skills.

On an individual level we could:

- ◆ Start an Organist's Assistant Program. In this program, grade school/junior high school students sit on the bench with you turning pages, pushing pistons and tapping toe studs during the service. I've done this and can provide you with details about how to set up the program.
- ◆ Teach an informative lesson about the organ during the Sunday School hour or during Vacation Bible School. Opportunities might also exist to reach the adults in your congregation. They are as curious about the organ as are the youngsters.

There are certainly many more possibilities.

Interested in discussing and making recommendations to the Executive Board for chapter educational outreach? Let me know (cdgrace62@gmail.com).

Dwane Grace, Dean

FROM THE SUB-DEAN

As we go to press for our November Montre, we are excited to report that 65 singers have registered for our “Enliven Your Choir Season” choral reading Saturday, October 29, at Venice Presbyterian Church. Seven directors will lead a total of 15 anthems in different voicings, and there will be a handout of an additional list of 18 favorites. Report to be continued next month.....

With the busy seasons of Advent and Christmas around the corner, please look forward to our three sponsored events in January 2017:

- ◆ Thursday, January 12 at noon, lunch with artist Jeremy Filsell at St. Boniface Episcopal. Please register by Friday, January 6, with Janet Davis at 941.209.5275 or janmato10@icloud.com. There will be a small cash charge per lunch.
- ◆ Friday, January 13, at 7:30 p.m., an organ/piano concert by Jeremy Filsell at St. Boniface. Free to members.
- ◆ Sunday, January 22, 4:00 p.m., an organ concert by Dexter Kennedy at Christ Church Episcopal in Bradenton. Free to members.

Nancy Siebecker, Sub-Dean

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members:

Shawn Burton, Sandra Ellerbrush,
and Reverend Audrey Volzm

ORGAN TEACHER DIRECTORY

The AGO Committee on the New Organist is creating a list of organ teachers to be posted on their web page (see From the Dean). If you would

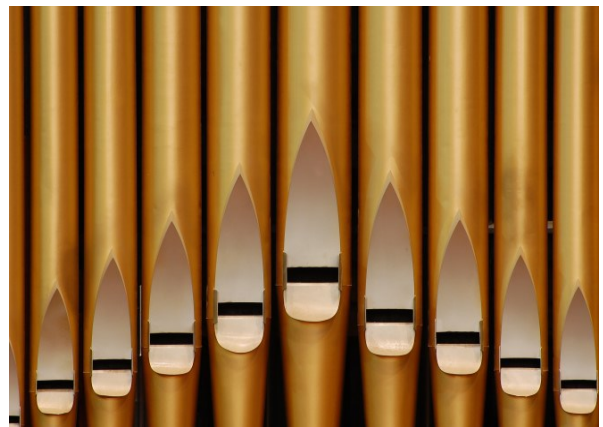
like to be included please provide the following information and email or snail mail it to Dwane Grace.

Only include information that you feel comfortable sharing (for example, listing your work phone number or email if you are concerned about online privacy):

1. Name:
2. Affiliation (work, AGO chapter):
3. Brief vitae (education, work):
4. Contact info (email, phone):|
5. Preferred level (beginner, intermediate, advanced):
6. Are you willing to offer a few (3) pro bono lessons to beginners?
7. Are you comfortable teaching using Skype, Facetime, or other new mediums?

Young Organist Competition 2017

**Saturday, March 11, 2017
Columbia, S.C.**



**Sponsored by
the Greater Columbia AGO Chapter**

Open to grades 8–12

First Prize \$1,500

Second Prize \$1,000

Third Prize \$750

Hymn Playing Award \$250

RECENT CHAPTER EVENT

Glenn Olsen leads the singers in one of the anthems he chose for the Choral Event held Saturday, October 29.



UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

Lunch with Jeremy Filsell ■

Thursday, January 12, 2017 at Noon.
St. Boniface Episcopal Church
5615 Midnight Pass Rd, Sarasota

There will be a small cash charge for lunch. Please RSVP with Janet Davis by Friday, January 6 at 941.209.5275 or janmato10@icloud.com.

Organ/Piano Concert, Jeremy Filsell ■

Friday, January 13, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.
St. Boniface Episcopal Church
5615 Midnight Pass Rd, Sarasota

Members admitted free.

FUTURE CHAPTER EVENTS

Organ Concert, Dexter Kennedy ■

Sunday, January 22, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.
Christ Church of Bradenton
4030 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton

Kennedy recently won the Chartres competition.
Members admitted free.

New Schantz Pipe Organ Introduction ■

Monday, February 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
Siesta Key Chapel
4615 Gleason Avenue at Ocean Blvd, Sarasota

Cynthia Roberts-Greene will present the new Schantz followed by Cynthia and your officers playing useful preludes/postludes. Program to be followed by dessert bites.

Bach Concerti for 4 Harpsichords ■

Sunday, March 5, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.
Christ Church of Bradenton
4030 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton

Exciting program with rarely performed concerti... for 4, 3, and 2 harpsichords at Christ Church, Bradenton. Members admitted free.

Organ Concert, Ken Cowan ■

Sunday, March 26, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.
Church of the Redeemer
222 S Palm Ave, Sarasota .

Members admitted free.

Organ Concert, Vincent Dubois ■

Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.
First Congregational United Church of Christ
1031 S Euclid Ave, Sarasota

Vincent Dubois was recently appointed titular at Notre Dame, Paris.

Members admitted free.

Annual Chapter Banquet ■

Monday, May 22, 2017
St. Armand's Key Lutheran Church
40 N Adams Drive, Sarasota

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Evening of Jazz Standards ■

Matt Bokulic and Prentice Pilot Quartet
Sunday, November 13, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
Pine Shores Presbyterian Church
6116 Crestwood Avenue, Sarasota,

Veteran's Day Show, Jacobite Pipe Band ■

Sunday, November 13, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.
Unitarian Universalist Church Of Sarasota
3975 Fruitville Road, Sarasota

Mozart, Mass in C Major (“Sparrow”) ■

Sunday, November 20, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

Christ Church

4030 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton

Featuring Christ Church Chorale, soloists, and chamber orchestra

Solemn Evensong Service in D Minor ■

Malcolm Archer

Sunday, November 20, 2016 at 5:15 p.m.

Church of the Redeemer

222 South Palm Avenue, Sarasota

Chorus of the Keys ■

Sunday, November 20, 2016 at 4 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

603 11th Street West, Bradenton

Sarasota-Manatee Bach Festival I ■

Saturday, November 26, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Church of the Redeemer

222 South Palm Avenue, Sarasota

I Solisti de' Oneco- Woodwind Quinte ■

The First Brass of Sarasota

Sunday, November 27, 2016 at 4 p.m.

St. Paul Lutheran

2256 Bahia Vista Street, Sarasota

Brass We Have Heard on High ■

The First Brass of Sarasota

Wednesday, November 30, 2016 at 7 p.m.

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

508 Riviera Street, Venice

Advent Organ Recital, John Fraser Jull ■

Thursday, December 1, 2016 at 12:15 p.m..

Christ Church

4030 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton

I Solisti de' Oneco- Woodwind Quinte ■

The First Brass of Sarasota

Saturday, December 3, 2016 at 4 p.m.

St. Paul Lutheran

2256 Bahia Vista Street, Sarasota

Messiah ■

The First Brass of Sarasota

Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

First United Methodist Church

603 11th Street West, Bradenton

Choir and Soloists with Orchestra

Lessons and Carols for Advent ■

Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

Christ Church

4030 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton

50th Christmas at Faith ■

The First Brass of Sarasota

Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 4 p.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

7950 Beneva Road, Sarasota

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year ■

Ring Sarasota Handbell Ensemble

with Brass and Organ

Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 4 p.m.

Community Presbyterian Church

405 S. McCall Road, Englewood

Advent Organ Recital, John Fraser Jull ■

Thursday, December 8, 2016 at 12:15 p.m.

Christ Church

4030 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton

Sarasota Young Voices ■

Genevieve Beauchamp, Director

Thursday, December 11, 2016 at 4 p.m.

Christ Church

4030 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton

Brass We Have Heard on High ■

The First Brass of Sarasota

Thursday, December 11, 2016 at 4 p.m.

Palma Sola Presbyterian Church

6510 3rd Ave. W, Bradenton

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year ■

Ring Sarasota Handbell Ensemble

with Brass and Organ

Sunday, December 11, 2016 at 4 p.m.

Pine Shores Presbyterian Church

6116 Crestwood Avenue, Sarasota

PUBLISHING EVENTS

If you would like to publish an event on the website, please contact or email Bill Holt (wholt2@tampabay.rr.com) at least two weeks prior to the event. You may also leave a follow up-message at the chapter email below. Posting your event flyer link is also available for a small charge. Note that all events posted on the website will automatically be included in the Montre.

Please refer to the Events section at the Chapter website: <http://agosm.org/community-events.html>

CHAPTER INFORMATION

Website ■ agosm.org

Here you'll find the full chapter calendar of events the Deans' message, as well as the other concerts and events of interest planned for the wider Manatee and Sarasota county areas.

We have added links to a map of all the posted event sites for the convenience of our members and guests. Just click on the address link below the event description and Google Maps will take you there. Once the map software takes you there you can easily get directions to the event site by typing in your address. It's simple and easy to use, especially if you are using Google Chrome for a browser.

I encourage you to take time to explore all it has to offer.

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