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The Dean's Column

And now for my annual reminder: DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR DUES WHEN THAT TIME ARRIVES.

And for my annual appeal: WHEN YOU RENEW, PLEASE CONSIDER A DONATION TO THE CHAPTER'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

Fostering educational opportunity for organists of all ages is vital to the livelihood of that wonderful instrument.

I have decided that Michigan was forgotten when summer temperatures were handed out. Being a Gulf Coast transplant, I always look forward to warm and sometimes even hot summer months. And here we are the middle of June and still experiencing chilly if not downright cold and wet temps. Despite that, I hope you are enjoying a little respite from the heavy calendar we experience from September to May with school and church activities, cantatas and oratorios and concerts to prepare, etc. Many of us have now allowed our church and temple choirs to have the summer off—a well-deserved vacation, I am sure. Hopefully our summer is going to also give those of us that have had to deal with health issues and subsequent surgeries this past spring, time to heal completely and be ready for fall kickoff.



In spite of the cooler temperatures, planning is already heating up for another banner year in the Detroit chapter of AGO. Some things to look forward to, include a recital on October 23 at St. Paul's UMC in Rochester. The artist for that evening will be Johann Vexo, Organist of the Choeur Organ at Notre Dame de Paris, and Organist of Nancy Cathedral. We are really looking forward to this event as it will include installation of officers and Executive Committee/Members at Large

for the coming year and a dinner. Mark your calendars now for that date and plan to join us for a full evening of great fellowship and great music.

Speaking of board, you have once again elected a dynamic group of new leaders for the coming year who will be joining the already fine leaders presently serving. I am happy to report that I will be returning for another year as your Dean. Delighted to have with me this year are three who will be remaining: Andrew Herbruck as Sub-Dean, Pete Townsend as Registrar and Rick Abdo as Treasurer. David Stewart will be joining us as our new secretary. New Executive committee members will be Joseph Balistreri and Joseph Rush and Gerald Furi will return to the board for a full elected term after serving an interim this past year. Remaining Executive Committee members are Jean Randall, Carolyn Thibideau, Glenn Burdette, Rick Helderop. David Enos, John Potter and Dave Wigton. I am really looking forward to another year of outstanding leadership from these colleagues.

Please keep your calendar, e-mail and all forms of communication handy so you don't miss any of our great programs this next year. See you in the fall!

George Jonte-Crane, Dean

Chapter News and Events

2019 Chapter Election Results

Here are the results of Chapter member voting earlier this month:

- **Dean: George Jonte-Crane**
- **Sub-Dean: Andrew Herbruck**
- **Secretary: David Stewart**
- **Treasurer: Rick Abdo**
- **Registrar: Pete Townsend**
- **Members-at-Large: Joseph Balisteri, Gerald Furi and Joseph Rush**



Several very interesting and useful suggestions for future programming were also submitted.



Wednesday, Oct. 23
St. Paul United Methodist Church,
Rochester Hills
6:00 pm Chapter Dinner,
7:00 pm Installation of Officers
7:15pm Organ Recital by Johann Vexo
Organist du Choeur, Notre Dame de Paris
Organist, Nancy Cathedral

2019: The 100th Anniversary of the Meadowbrook Hall Aeolian Organ

The next issue of the MBH magazine will feature an article on the Organ, and announce 3 days when the organ will be played while people are touring. If you would like to be the organist on any of those 3 days (or part of the day) please let me know at ptownsend@comcast.net

The days are:

- Wednesday, June 19
- Wednesday, July 17
- Wednesday, August 21

Times will probably be 11am to 3pm; more info will follow. Thanks, as always, for volunteering your time.



Pete Townsend

Regional News & Events



AGO 2019
GATHER AT THE GRAND

AGO Regional to be held in Grand Rapids from June 20-July 3, 2019

The Grand Rapids Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. We're proud to be the hosts of the 2019 Great Lakes Regional Convention which will be held here in our city from June 30, 2019 - July 3, 2019. A great line-up of top-shelf artists and venues is scheduled. For details and Registrsation, go to the [Regional website](#).



Member News & Events (The List)



Do you have news that you'd like to share with the Chapter? Please send your news no later than the 15th of the month to Gerald Furi at detroitago@gmail.com for inclusion in the next issue of The Bombarde.

Friday, June 28, 7:30pm
Dr. Marijim Thoene
St. Francis of Assisi Church
[2270 E. Stadium Blvd](#), Ann Arbor, MI



Music Reflecting Ancient Texts

Ave maris stella, from The Faenza Codex,
ca. 1425.....Anon.

Prelude in e minor, BWV 548 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Magnificat from Opus 18Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

Organ verse 1. Andante con moto

Organ verse 2. Maestoso

Organ verse 3. Allegro con moto

Organ verse 4. Allegretto ma non troppo

Organ verse 5. Misterioso e Adagiosissimo

Organ verse 6. Finale

Fantaisie Paraphrase from In Festo Corporis Christi from D'Orgue Mystique
..... Charles Tournemire (1870-1939)

Woman of the Apocalypse Crowned with Stars Jiri Těml, b. 1936
Commission by Marijim Thoene, Michigan premiere

Substitutes, Teachers, Builders, and Technicians

You are important to our calling, instruments, and future. Check the detroitago.org website and see if you are listed correctly. To add your name or make corrections contact Pete Townsend at Registrar@DetroitAGO.org

Positions Available

Fort Street Presbyterian Church is seeking to fill the position of Music Director / Organist.

Located in Downtown Detroit, the church brings together people from across the metropolitan area in a shared commitment to serving people in need,

celebrating music and the arts, and building a Christian community of people from many different walks of life.

Responsibilities for this position include leading music for Sunday worship, including leading the choir and playing the organ, and conducting the Fort Street Chorale, a no-audition, volunteer ensemble that performs sacred classical works, notably Handel's Messiah. The Church seeks a leader who can maintain the quality of the church's traditional music program while also while exploring other musical styles, including opening the church to the broader community as a venue for music and the arts.

This is a part-time position. Although we anticipate employing one person to both lead the choir and play the organ, we will also review résumés from individuals pursuing solely an Organist position or solely a Music Director / Choral Conductor position. More information is available at <http://fortstreet.org/openings>. Applicants may email a cover letter and résumé/CV to musicsearch@fortstreet.org. Applications will be reviewed beginning on August 1, 2019.

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Rev. Anne Lange M.Div, M.A., BCC
Rev. Eric Lange M.Div.
Interim Co-Pastors

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Detroit MI 48226
(313) 961-4533
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pastor@fortstreet.org
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Director of Music

Christ Episcopal Church - Dearborn, Michigan

Christ Episcopal Church, a dynamic, creative and highly motivated musical community, seeks a music director for weekly Sunday services, Christmas, Holy Week, and Easter. The Director of Music will provide worship music on the organ/piano and lead the choir for worship services. Additional opportunities for music leadership can be considered and developed with lay leaders and clergy, including our annual outdoor summer concert series, and other musical offerings outside of worship, including non-religious concerts and music.

The church is blessed with a beautiful pipe organ - built in 1961 by Casavant Frères

Ltée and fully restored in 2017 - as well as several pianos, a 16 member voice choir, and numerous gifted parishioners willing to contribute music to worship services. Our multigenerational choir is adventurous and very enthusiastic, and enjoys a challenge.

This is a part time salaried position of approximately 5 hours a week during the program year Sept - June, and 3 hours in the summer from the second week in June until the first Sunday in September. Flexible hours required to incorporate Christmas, Holy Week, and Easter, as well as any other ideas that may develop. There is an allowance for supply musicians to cover three paid Sundays off per year. Other flexible schedule options are possible and can be discussed. Anticipated start date September 2019.

Job Description

The Director of Music will work closely with the Rector and other worship leaders. Weekly responsibilities of the Director of Music include providing worship music on the organ and piano for Sunday worship (10:00 am) and rehearsing with the choir (currently on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am, with rehearsals from 11:30-12:30 as determined by choir and Music Director). Additional services include Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and Holy Week. This is a part-time position, with an expectation of a flexible 5 hours a week including Sunday worship, rehearsals, special Holy Day services, and as needed meetings with the Rector to plan music. Funerals and weddings are compensated additionally.

Candidates will be required to demonstrate professional musicianship, some knowledge of liturgical music, and an understanding of a diverse range of musical styles. Interest in multilingual and non-traditional liturgical music a plus. We appreciate someone who can foster a positive and collegial atmosphere as leader of the choir. Choir members value being challenged, within the range of their mixed abilities.

Christ Church is an open, welcoming, and affirming congregation.

Interested applicants should submit cover letter, resumé, and any relevant references by July 21, 2019, to The Rev. Terri Pilarski.

Email:

terri@christchurchdearborn.org

Mail:

Christ Episcopal Church
Attn: Music Advisory Team
120 N Military St
Dearborn, MI 48124

First Presbyterian Church, Pontiac, Michigan is seeking an organist/choir director proficient in pipe organ and piano as well as in directing the vocal and handbell choirs. The Church has a 3 manual, 43 rank Casavant pipe organ and Steinway pianos.

For more information about the church and the position go to www.fpcpontiac.com.

For a job description, please contact the Pastor at laura@fpcpontiac.com
Interested organists should submit their resume to the Pastor along with an indication of availability for an interview with the Personnel Committee and Pastor.

For Sale

Yamaha Clavinova Digital Piano For Sale



YAMAHA CLAVINOVA DIGITAL PIANO,
Model CLP-950C

88 weighted keys. 3 pedals.

Voices: Grand piano I & II, Electric piano I & II, Harpsichord, Vibraphone, Church organ, Jazz organ, Choir, Strings, Wood

bass, Electric bass.

Accessories: Reverb / Sound recording (2 tracks) / Metronome / Midi (In/Out/Thru) compatible / 60 Watt amplifier self-contained / Sliding key cover / Voice demos & Preset songs. Includes matching bench, and user manuals.

Cherry finish. Excellent condition (very seldom used)

Price: \$600

Contact: Dennis Souter (dnnssout@aol.com)

For Sale: 5'7" walnut finish 1926 Steinway Grand and Bench

2004 reconditioned and refinished-Excellent condition-has been maintained and serviced every year by Greg Pond.

Contact: Angela Stead

steadaa@gmail.com