

Newsletter of the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

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ANNUAL DINNER with honored guest BRANTLEY DUDDY

June 9, 2007 6:30 PM

Courtyard by Marriott Hotel/ 2nd Floor 21 North Juniper Street (at City Hall) Center City Philadelphia

Following the festivities (and lots of organ music!) of Wanamaker Organ Day, we will be holding our Annual Dinner across the street at the beautiful historic building now housing the Courtyard by Marriott. Our honored guest of the evening will be none other than our own Brant Duddy. Need we say more? He certainly needs no introduction here, but believe me, he will be introduced in many ways at our spectacular dinner. We will begin after the last event at Macy's in the neighborhood of 6:15-6:30 with a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres. Dinner will follow at 7:30 and will include soup/salad, entrée and dessert. We have reserved a very nice banquet room with a nice view. By now you should have already responded to the invitations sent out, and we hope you will be there!

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The deadline for the next issue, September 2007, will be August 1, 2007.

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Those who volunteer their time for no obvious reward deserve our admiration, especially when we are the ones who benefit. It could and perhaps should have been we who volunteered as well. The usual excuse for not volunteering is, "I'm so busy". I'd bet many of those who serve in a leadership capacity for the Chapter are more busy than most Chapter members even before you add in their AGO work. Two jobs is the norm for most members: one 'real' job and one church job on the side. We are all busy.



VOLUME

Now the reason I bring this up in this, my last *Crescendo* Dean's letter, is "on

account of" I want all "you guys" to appreciate the work that goes into running this organization, the Philadelphia AGO. Yes, I've done my share, and you can pat me on the back when you see me. Many others have done much more, and many plan to continue in the pattern. Take Jerry Troy for instance. Jerry, besides being an organist/choirmaster, is experienced in accounting and has been the Chapter's Treasurer for eight years. Ria Ellis, who is also the Executive Director of The American Institute for Yemeni Studies, has served as the Chapter Secretary for eight years. Chapter Registrar, Joe Lewis, a retired school teacher and an organist, has served in his capacity for six years. Roy Harker, who lays out the Crescendo and publishes it, has been doing this for eleven years. Roy has his own publishing business and is also an organist-choirmaster. I think you see the emerging pattern here! Carl Gedeik has been serving as Editor for Crescendo three years now. Corresponding Secretary, Sister Paula Napoli, has been volunteering in this manner for twelve years. Others who have been working behind the scenes for a number of years include Andy Heller who plans the Tuesday Noon-Day Recital Series; Judy Lang who handles touchy professional problems; Allen Popjoy who lists the available jobs and available organists; Katherine Reier who takes care of getting the *Crescendo* into the mail every month and has chaired the January JumpStart for the past few years (a mammoth task). This cast of volunteers does not even include our Executive Committee members or others who serve in lesser and greater capacities.

I write this not to complain about less active members, but on the contrary, to brag about this huge team of dedicated volunteers who together turn the wheels that make the machine work. Many of them have week to week and month to month tasks that must be done, and they do them. Some must report for monthly meetings... and they do. What makes them do this? I don't have a clue! I'm just glad they do. Ora, labora! Come, labor on!!

Thanks!

Election results will be announced at the Chapter's closing event June 9th. You'll have to wait for September's Crescendo to find out who was elected unless you attend. I hope to see you there! Details are on the front page of Crescendo.

Alan Morrison will take over as Dean on July 1st. I have been honored by the trust and confidence you have placed in me as Dean of the Chapter these past two years. It has been a good run, but there are many good things just over the horizon. We are in great shape, poised to go now where we've only dreamed.

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Jeff Fowler

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REGISTRAR'S CORNER

JOE LEWIS, REGISTRAR

DUES BILLS HAVE BEEN MAILED

Membership renewal forms for the upcoming 2007 - 2008 year were mailed out in mid-April. If you did not receive a membership form from me by now, please inform me ASAP. New 07/08 forms are also available and "downloadable" at our chapter website, but you will need to personalize them with your address, contact and institutional affiliation data. If you plan to transfer to another chapter, or if you do not plan to renew your membership at this time, please inform me so we don't keep contacting you in our efforts to complete the renewal process. The current member year ends on June 30th, so please send in your renewal while you are thinking about it . AGO Headquarters in New York asks that as many members as possible get their forms in on time, since renewals from late summer and early fall end up being hand processed and that can delay TAO subscription completion.

My sincere thanks go out to our mass mailing team of Dr. Jeff Fowler, Loretta and Jack Hartnett, Ray Hunsicker and Dr. Kathy Moyer for their help in stuffing envelopes, and applying labels and stamps for the 550+ dues forms. They make my job as Registrar a lot easier, and I really appreciate their donating their time. There will be several other opportunities to help in mass mailings this summer, as all those who send in their forms will get a thank you/membership card response letter back from me. If you are willing to do just a few hours of volunteering to assemble and mail those letters for me on a one-time basis, or throughout the summer, please contact me and let me know. Much thanks!

ADDRESS UPDATES

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REGISTRAR'S NEW EMAIL

Although I can still be reached through our AGO addresses (registrar@agophila.org and joe.lewis@agophila.org), please note my home email has changed to: spiele88@verizon.net

Have a wonderful, restful summer, and see you in the fall!

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Lewis Registrar

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Sunday, September 17, 2006 4:00PM Members Recital and Installation of Officers Lehman Memorial Methodist Church, Hatboro

Saturday, October 14, 2006 3:00 PM Cherry Rhodes - THE KIMMEL CENTER Co-Sponsored by the Philadelphia Chapter AGO and Kimmel Center Presents

Sunday, October 22, 2006 5:00 PM Clergy/Church Musician Discussion & Pot Luck CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, HARLEYSVILLE

Friday, November 17, 2006, 6:30 PM Pot Luck Dinner and Philadelphia Legends Series IV GLORIA DEI EPISCOPAL CHURCH (OLD SWEDES') WITH PAUL FEIKO, PHILADELPHIA, PA

Saturday, January 13, 2007 January Jumpstart Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, Bryn Mawr

Saturday, February 10, 2007 3:00 PM Paul Jacobs - THE KIMMEL CENTER Co-Sponsored by the Philadelphia Chapter AGO and Kimmel Center Presents

Monday, February 19, 2007 Mardi Gras 6:00pm Board Meeting 7:00pm Celebration (Open to all AGO Members and Friends) Harker/Ranando Residence, Philadelphia

Wednesday, March 14, 2007 8:00 PM Wayne Marshall - THE KIMMEL CENTER Co-Sponsored by the Philadelphia Chapter AGO and Kimmel Center Presents

Friday, April 20, 2007 7:30 PM Dr. Gail Archer/Historic Organ Lecture and Masterclass Co-Sponsored by The Curtis Institute of Music ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCH, CENTER CITY

Saturday, May 19, 2007 10:00 AM Organ Factory Tour/Patrick Murphy & Associates STOWE, PA

Saturday, June 9, 2007 10:00am through 6:00pm concerts at Wanamaker organ, followed by 6:15 cash bar and 7:30 dinner at Marriott Courtyard with Brantley Duddy, guest of honor THE WANAMAKER ORGAN AT MACY'S, CENTER-CITY PHILADELPHIA

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First Presbyterian Church 130 W Miner St., West Chester, PA 19382 (610-696-0554). www.firstpreswc.com

Congregation (2200+) seeks Principal Organist for strong, traditional Music Ministry in University town 30 miles west of Philadelphia. Two Sunday services, graded choir program with multiple ensembles, fine arts series.

Degree and experience required; salary and benefits commensurate with AGO guidelines. Schantz III/37, 2001. Send or fax (610-696-7226) resume and letter of interest to Organist Search Committee at the church by June 4. Position available August 1.

MINISTER OF MUSIC

Woodland Presbyterian Church 42 Pine Pl; Philadelphia, PA 19115; (215) 386-1724

Woodland Presbyterian Church is seeking a part-time Minister of Music. 10-12 hours per week. \$16,000 annual salary. The music ministry of our church seeks to serve God, our community, and our neighbors through music. We are committed to expanding our music ministry to include a variety of musical styles and traditions, including but not limited to classical (vocal and instrumental), gospel, traditional hymns, and contemporary Christian praise music. The music ministry seeks to offer music in our church life that reflects the many cultures and traditions of our congregation and its community. We encourage volunteers to share their aifts with the community with the expectation that serving in this ministry would be a blessing to both those serving and the larger community. The Minister of music's responsibilities include playing organ/piano for all worship services, and coordinating existing music ministries (praise team, adult and children's choirs, and special music). Strong personal faith in Christ and spiritual maturity is required. Woodland Presbyterian Church is a member of the confessing church movement. For a complete job description please contact Amy Ross at, (610) 543-0515, amycello@hotmail.com, or Jerry Foote at (215) 386-1724, jerry.foote@woodlandpres.com.

ORGANIST

RIDGE AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 7811 Ridge Avenue ; Philadelphia, PA 19128

Ridge Avenue United Methodist Church seeks a part time organist starting September 2007. We are seeking a talented Christian musician with proficiency as an organist, pianist and accompanist.

Responsibilities include: 1 traditional worship service (9:00am); 1 choir rehearsal twice monthly (every other Thursday evening); Special services requiring musical leadership; Participate in worship planning; Right of first refusal on weddings, funerals, etc.. Access to an excellent 1927 Austin pipe organ that is regularly professionally maintained. Good salary (approximately \$8500 annually) commensurate with experience. This would be a one year contract position with options to renew annually.

Contact : Scott Santo-Director of Music ; 215-482-2653 sysanto@comcast.net

ORGANIST

First Baptist Church of Lansdale 700 N. Broad St., Lansdale, PA 19446

First Baptist Church of Lansdale is searching for a gifted organist, who will work directly with and be accountable to our Director of Music Ministries. The church has a beautiful Austin pipe organ and a long tradition of appreciation for quality worship music.

Responsibilities: one traditional 11:00 a.m. service, with occasional participation in the contemporary services; Wednesday evening choir rehearsal; and availability for other services as needed, including weddings and funerals. Other opportunities exist for musical leadership, such as handbell choirs, children's choirs, etc., which could be negotiated. A complete job description is available from Janet Gross, Music Director, at janet@fbcl.com

Qualifications: We desire our organist, as well as all ministry staff to be a committed Christian in beliefs and demonstrating exemplary Christian character. A qualified candidate will preferably have a degree in organ or a related musical field, and AGO certification and membership, and/or outstanding ability in organ performance in classical and church music traditions.

Compensation: Negotiable in the general range of AGO guidelines for 10 hours per week, with no additional benefit package, and up to four weeks paid absences. Candidates may inquire about or be asked to play for worship services in the interim until a regular organist is found, at the guest substitute rate of \$150 per week.

Contact: Resumes may be sent by mail or email to Janet Gross, Music Director, First Baptist Church, 700 N. Broad St., Lansdale, PA 19446; e-mail: janet@fbcl.com; tel: 215-855-3457 x106.

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR

Grace Lutheran Church

25 W. Broad St. PO Box #57, Hatfield, PA 19440; 215-855-4676

Seeking a faith-centered musician to serve the ministry of God at Grace Lutheran Church as organist/pianist/ and choir director. Applicants to be self-starters, energetic, team focused, and flexible. Strong keyboard skills and a wide array of musical style background is required as well as strong vocal training. Currently, 2 Sunday worship experiences, adult



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choir, and children's choir. Instrumentalists: strings, brass, percussion, and guitar readily available in the congregation as well as a 4 octave handbell set, children's tone bar set, and additional Orff instruments. Half-time position with growth potential.

MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST

Saint James United Church of Christ 135 Myrtle Avenue; Havertown, PA 19083-5796; 610-446-3036

Music director/organist sought by medium-sized, religiously open and broad-minded church situated in a close western suburb of Philadelphia. Must be friendly and warm with a sense of humor. Minimum 5 hours per Sunday. Job requirements include: playing pipe organ and piano for Sunday service; directing adult choir; running choir rehearsals; choosing and directing additional musicians; selecting varied sacred music. Congregation is supportive and progressive. Church is accessible by public transportation. Salary commensurate with experience. Paid vacation. Contact church at 610-446-3036. Questions to Marian McKenzie at mmckenzi@haverford.edu or 610-896-1565.

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST

First Baptist Church 123 S 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103

First Baptist Church Philadelphia is seeking a full time Music Minister/Director of Music/Organist. Position is responsible for all aspects of church's Music Ministry. Duties include but not limited to preparing music from traditional, contemporary, and gospel; scheduling rehearsals for choir, and arranging for outside musicians who desire to perform at our Sunday services. Church also has a contemporary service Wednesday evenings; ability to play guitar would be beneficial. Qualifications include strong Christian faith, music degree, administrative skills, and willingness to work with volunteer choir and paid soloists. Individual will work under Pastor and Board of Music. The church has a 51 rank Moller pipe organ, grand piano and clavinova. Send resume to First Baptist Church, Search Committee, 123 S 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 or email to choochoorick@earthlink.net

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Church on the Mall

Plymouth Meeting Mall, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462; (610) 825-3388

Church on the Mall, the Presbyterian Church in Plymouth Meeting, seeks a part-time talented pianist/organist and choir director who meets AGO standards and who will work closely with the Pastor and Chair of the Worship and Music Ministry to oversee the music program of the Church and to provide music for the weekly service and other special occasions. Applications to Personnel Committee, Church on the Mall, Plymouth Meeting Mall, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462. (610) 825-3388.

ORGANIST AND/OR DIRECTOR OF MUSIC ENSEMBLES

Trinity Lutheran Church 19 South Fifth Street, Perkasie, PA 18944

The role of this position(s) is to lead in the musical life of the congregation in keeping with Trinity's mission. Our membership comprises people who have long-term roots in the community as well as many young families who have recently moved to the area. Both traditional and contemporary musical idioms are integrated within our liturgical life. Acquaintance with the Lutheran heritage and congregational life is desirable. Trinity Lutheran Church is willing to consider this one position or creatively splitting the position to encompass a wider field of candidates. Inquiries from candidates seeking a part-time position are also encouraged. Current musical ensembles include children's, adult, and bell choirs. The Organist/Director will work with the Staff and Worship & Music Committees in seasonal and weekly worship planning and hymnody selection. Trinity's organ is a Reuter (Opus 2214) installed in 2004 and is a four division, three manual and pedal instrument of 45 ranks with 25 pipe ranks built by Reuter, and 20 digital ranks built by Walker Technical Company.

For further information and a complete job description, please visit: www.trinityperkasie.org

Contact Information. Please direct all resumes and inquiries to:

Alan Bruzas, Search Committee, 215-658-7216; bruzas@verizon.net

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR

Olivet Schwenkfelder United Church of Christ 619 Township Line Road, Norriton, PA 19403

OSUCC is seeking a part time choir director and organist. The successful candidate would be required to conduct one evening choir rehearsal per week (Sept through May) and provide organ accompaniment/direct the choir for two Sunday morning services. Also responsible for music selection in collaboration with ministerial staff. The successful candidate will be titled Director of Music Ministries. We are a small, UCC church located approximately 25 miles northwest of Philadelphia. We are an open and affirming congregation, opening our doors and welcoming all who wish to attend. The instrument is a Moller 2 manual pipe organ. Salary - \$15,000 annually with vacation.

Contact: Tim Williams, 215-652-4743 or email timothy_l_williams@merck.com

COORDINATOR OF MUSIC FOR MINISTRY

Central Baptist Church

P.O. Box 309, 106 West Lancaster Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087 610-688-0664 www.cbcwayne.org

Central Baptist Church of Wayne, PA is a progressive, welcoming and affirming church with an average worship attendance of 130. We are seeking an organist/director who has an appreciation for both traditional and contemporary sacred music and is open to new musical styles and creative worship experiences. We value inclusive language using The New Century Hymnal and a repertoire of songs gathered from diverse resources. The organ is a two-manual Moller.





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The Coordinator of Music for Ministry will have a capacity to articulate a growing spiritual experience in a collaborative leadership style, and will have a respect for people without regard to race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender or religious affiliation.

The Coordinator of Music for Ministry will be responsible for a choir of about 20 members, a contemporary singing ensemble, and numerous instrumental ensembles. Responsibilities include coordinating and providing music for all church services in conjunction with pastors and volunteer coordinators. The responsibilities of the Coordinator of Music for Ministry are based on an average 15 hours per week. The salary range starts at \$20,000 for one person. The congregation is open to considering a two-person team for whom salary would be negotiable.

CONTACT: Laurie Sweigard, Central Baptist Church, lsweigard@cbcwayne.org

MUSIC DIRECTOR

First Presbyterian Church Easton and Barrett Rds., Willow Grove, PA 19090 E-Mail: fpcwg@verizon.net; FAX: 215-659-2967 Telephone: 215-659-3106

The First Presbyterian Church of Willow Grove is seeking a part-time Music Director(15-20 hours per week). The position includes accompanying and directing one vocal choir of 10-15 voices and directing a 3-octave bell choir. There is one Sunday service and one weekly rehearsal for each choir. Qualifications: Bachelor's Degree in Music with strong experience in organ performance and choral conducting We are looking for a dedicated, professional church musician who can lead our choirs and congregation in a variety of musical styles and repertoires. Instruments: A newly refurbished and electronically enhanced 2-manual Wicks Organ, a baby grand piano, a rehearsal piano, and 3 octaves of handbells. Salary is \$17,000. A complete job description is available on our web site. Please send resume and references to the above address.

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Conshohocken United Methodist Church 20 West Sixth Street, Conshohocken, PA 19428 610-828-1250; www.cumc.us

Conshohocken UMC seeks a Music Director, preferably a pianist/organist who can lead and thrive in a small but growing congregation. The applicant should be interested in working with adult and youth choirs and be able to organize both voice and instrumental music. The Music Director will contribute to Sunday worship as a place to experience the presence of God. Responsibilities include one Sunday morning service with choir rehearsal beforehand, one weeknight rehearsal, and special events. Salary is \$17,000. per year. Please send a letter of interest and resume to Joan McCormick at Conshohocken United Methodist Church, 20 West Sixth Street, Conshohocken, PA 19428.

MUSIC DIRECTOR

First Presbyterian Church of Olney, Philadelphia

The First Presbyterian Church of Olney, Philadelphia, PA, is seeking a professing Christian with excellent interpersonal skills as its Music Director. The position requires an individual who is: Musically trained, a skilled pianist, experienced in directing choral groups, and knowledgeable of diverse musical forms. Salary/Compensation/Hours: 15 flexible hours per week, which includes 1 Sunday Worship Service; 1 month vacation; \$10,000 annually.

Contact: Florence McKeown; Office@FPCOlney.org; 215-424-6809(v) 215-424-5052(f)

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES(Organist/Choir Director)

Resurrection Lutheran Church, ELCA 2185 Oxford Valley Road, Levittown, PA 19057 PHONE: 215 946-2155 • EMAIL: resurrectionlutheranlevittown@verizon.net

Resurrection Lutheran Church is a 300-member congregation located in Lower Bucks County, PA. The responsibilities of this part-time position include providing leadership for the congregation's worship and musical life. There are two Sunday morning services, a traditional service (LBW/WOV) at 9:30 AM, and Praise Cafe at 11:30 AM. There are two choirs, an adult vocal choir and an adult hand bell choir, with plans for a Youth Vocal Choir in the future. The instrument is an 18-rank Wicks pipe organ. Compensation is \$15,000 to \$16,000.

Contact name - Pastor Katherine Cartwright Knodel.

ORGANIST/PIANIST

Cochranville United Methodist Church P.O. Box 417 • Cochranville, PA 19330

Organist/Pianist needed for Sunday worship service with possibility of position expanding. For further information, call Sue Downing, 610-593-4296. Resumé may also be faxed to 610-593-6222 or e-mailed to cumc1@zoominternet.net.

ORGANIST

Nantmeal United Methodist Church 359 Nantmeal Road, Glenmoore, PA 19343

One Sunday service, no choir. Pipe organ. Contact church office at 610-469-8655.

ORGANIST

Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 8201 Frankford Avenue, Phila., PA, 19136.

Pipe organ. One Sunday worship service per week, accompany one adult choir at service and at one rehearsal per week. Small, growing, friendly congregation. Salary negotiable. Position available immediately. Contact The Reverend John S. Keefer at 610-586-9475 or Peter van der Spek (Music Committee) at 215-357-5107 for more information.



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JUNE 2007

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE GREAT VALLEY St. Peter's and Church Roads, Paoli, PA. 19301

ORGAN: Bigelow, 2 manuals, tracker

HOST ORGANIST: Martha N. Johnson

RECITALISTS:

- June 5 : Elizabeth H. Forsyth
- June 12: Robert Gallagher
- June 19: Martha N. Johnson
- June 26: Bruce Glenny

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 8:00 PM

Concert. The Choir of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Ken Lovett, director; James Batt, guest accompanist. Sacred and secular works, including Brahms' *Neue Liebeslieder*, Op. 65. Free admission; handicap accessible Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Willow Grove Ave& St Martin's Ln, Chestnut Hill PA 215.247.7466 www.StMartinEC.org

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 8:00 PM

Mostly Mozart. The Schola Cantorum & The Chamber Orchestra of Saint Paul's Church, Lee F. Milhous, Conductor. *Vesperae solennes de Confessore*, K. 339; *Te deum laudamus*, K. 141; *An English Suite*, Op. 20, Parry. Tickets \$15.00 / \$5.00 Students. St. Paul's Church, E Oakland Ave at Pine St, Doylestown, PA 215.230.7098

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 6:00 PM

Solemn Evensong and Benediction. The Schola Cantorum directed by Lee F. Milhous. This traditional Anglican service of music incorporates the singing of the canticles, a psalm setting in Anglican chant and several anthems. Reception follows. St. Paul's Church, E Oakland Ave at Pine St, Doylestown, PA 215.230.7098

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 5:00 PM

The Valley Forge Choir of Men and Boys Choral Evensong and Concert. Free will offering. St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. 6th Street, Lebanon, PA.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 12:00PM

AGO Phila Tuesday Noon Recital. Elizabeth Forsyth, organ. St. Peter's Episcopal Church in the Great Valley, Paoli, PA.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2007

Wanamaker Organ Day and AGO Phila Reception & Dinner. Concerts (organ, brass, chorus) throughout the day from 10:00AM to 6:00PM in the Macy's Grand Court featuring the Wanamaker Organ. AGO Phila end-ofseason reception and dinner in the Marriott Courtyard Hotel (across Market St. from the store); 6:15 PM cash bar and 7:30 PM dinner and tribute to long-time area organ builder/technician/tuner Brantley Duddy.

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 12:00 PM

AGO Phila Tuesday Noon Recital. Robert Gallagher, organ. St. Peter's Episcopal Church in the Great Valley, Paoli, PA.

TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 12:00 PM

AGO Phila Tuesday Noon Recital. Martha N. Johnson (host organist). St. Peter's Episcopal Church in the Great Valley, Paoli, PA.

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 12:00 PM

AGO Phila Tuesday Noon Recital. Bruce Glenny, organ. St. Peter's Episcopal Church in the Great Valley, Paoli, PA.

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AGO BALTIMORE

If you are planning to attend their Regional Convention, you might consider volunteering for one of these tasks. If you can help, contact Joy Bauer at church 410-825-1725x107 or home 410-377-8303. Her email is music@ascensiontowson.org

Volunteer Needs for the Baltimore AGO Convention 2007

These are listed by day and any amount of help (even for an hour during any of these times) would be greatly appreciated.

Monday, 7/2

• Registration desk help 11am-7pm, 9pm-11pm

Tuesday 7/3

- Registration desk help 8-10am, 4-7pm
- Ushers at the Ronald Stolk recital at Mount Calvary Episcopal 10:30am
- Volunteers on hand at the informal discussion at the Marriott 9:30pm

Wednesday 7/4

- Registration help 8-10am, 1-3pm
- Volunteers on hand at the panel discussion at the Marriott 9am
- Volunteers on hand at the Region III meeting at the Marriott 10am
- Ushers for Bruce Stevens recital at Westminster Hall 11:45am
- Workshop assistants for workshops led by Al Fedak, Richard Torrence, and Lynn Dobson
- Ushers for the Lubeck vesper service at Christ Lutheran Church 4:30pm
- Ushers for the James David Christie recital at Christ Lutheran Church 7:30pm

Thursday 7/5

- Registration help 7-8am
- Workshop assistant for Rev. Karin Walker
- Ushers for the Cherry Rhodes concert at the Cathedral 3:45pm

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Allen Popjoy, Coordinator

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This list is published as a courtesy to the chapter membership. Only members of the Philadelphia AGO Chapter available for regularly-scheduled services are listed. Although the AGO assumes no responsibility for the musicianship or reliability of substitute organists, Guild certificates and other degree programs indicate preparation beyond the minimum.

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PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES

Last month I promised to give you reasons why you need a contract, especially if you are hired for a part time church position. Most of the issues that surface regarding employment problems are a result of misunderstandings that might have been avoided if there had been a written contract that had been thoroughly negotiated at the beginning.

Let me begin by saying that the church that hires you wants to enter into an agreement that will be satisfactory to both of you. The problem is that the people who are in charge of providing you with a contract have no idea what to include in the agreement. This is where you need to be proactive. Draw up your own contract from the resources on contracts provided at www.agohq.org. You do not need to include everything in the sample contract, but pick and choose what suits the situation. For the most part, the Music Committee will be grateful to have a guideline from which to work.

In considering your contract, insist on details. Do not assume anything!! These fine points can protect you and the church from potential heartache, embarrassment, and unresolved anger. I will demonstrate this by using the following statements that you might find in a contract: "You are responsible for all choirs at First Church by the Pump."

Here again you need to have the specific choirs listed and the rehearsal times. Make sure that your contract reflects that additional remuneration will be required if the church wants to you develop another choir in the future.

"The Music Budget will be \$500."

Find out if piano and organ maintenance is included in this amount. It should be a separate line item in the church's budget. Ask how much money is allotted for continuing education and your professional expenses, such as AGO dues. The committee might not have considered these items.

"You are responsible for all weddings and funerals."

Make sure the church lists the fees which you will receive for weddings and funerals in your contract. Will you be required to attend the wedding rehearsal and does the fee reflect that? The church usually has a handout with fees for wedding couples. You should not have to barter with brides about your fees.

When you discuss your contract, be gracious. The church did hire you, and they want you to be satisfied, but they may not be prepared to wrestle with all of these details. Be clear that you are trying to protect yourself and the church from any potential problems that could arise from false assumptions and issues that were not clear from the beginning.

"You are hired to be the Director of Music at St. Willibald's."

Be sure that the number of hours per week is stated. This is crucial. This will be the place from which you will determine what you are able to do. If you are asked to take something on, you need to decide whether it will put you over your hours per week. You can then say, "I'm sorry, I would love to do the Vacation Bible School Music, but it will put me over 20 hours per week as stated in my contract."

"You are responsible for all worship services at St. Swithin's."

The church must specify what services and at what time. The above statement is far too open ended. Suppose the church decides to add another service either on Sunday morning or at another time. It needs to be in writing that if the church adds another service, you will be paid additional remuneration.

In addition, you need to have listed all other extra services for which you are responsible, i.e., Thanksgiving Eve, Ash Wednesday, etc. State that you will play two additional services. Things do crop up during the year. Any extra services above that will need to be negotiated. You will then have some recourse if at some time the church decides to add six weeks of special Lenten services, or whatever.

What about bench fees? If the bride wants the former organist to play for her wedding, where does that leave you? You need to have it stated in your contract that you get first dibs at all weddings, and you need to get your fee if you do not play. Be prepared. This can be a real bone of contention. The church could disagree with you on this. Nevertheless, the church needs to know that you count on these fees as part on your income, especially since you are part time.

"You are responsible for finding a substitute when you are on vacation."

It is important that the church indicates how much they will pay the substitute. This needs to be in writing, and you need to know it. Finance committees change, and people forget what was agreed upon.

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For further information and to schedule an audition, please contact: Diane Meredith Belcher, Co-Organist/Choirmaster Saint Mark's Episcopal Church 1625 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Telephone: (215) 735-1416, ext. 5. Email: dianemeredithbelcher@gmail.com

SUMMER CARILLON RECITALS

First United Methodist Church of Germantown 6023 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia 215-438-3677

MONDAYS at 7:30 PM, rain or shine, free-will offering

- June 25: Thomas Lee (asst. carilloneur of the church)
- July 2: Charles Daitry (France)
- July 9: Janet Tebbel (host carilloneur)
- July 16: Toru Takao (Japan)

St. Thomas Episcopal Church Church Road & Route 73, Whitemarsh, PA.

TUESDAYS at 7:00 PM, free-will offering

- July 3: Charles Daitry (France)
- July 10: Sara and Ana Elias (Portugal)
- July 17: Toru Takao (Japan) Followed by Valley Forge Chorus of Sweet Adelines

- July 24: The carilloneurs of St. Thomas Church Followed by the Lord of the Isles Pipe Band
- July 31: Thomas Lee and Emily Johnson Followed by David Smith ("The One Man Side Show")

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WEDNESDAYS at 7:30 PM, free-will offering

- July 4: Charles Daitry (France)
- July 11: Sara and Ana Elias (Portugal)
- July 18: Toru Takao (Japan)
- July 25: Doug Gefvert, "Music of the British Isles,"

w/ Irish Thunder Bagpipe Band

- Aug. 1: Thomas Lee (Phila.)
- Aug. 8: Andrea McCrady (Spokane, WA.)
- Aug. 15: John Courter (Berea, KY.)
- Aug. 22: Doug Gefvert (host carilloneur)
- Aug. 29: Lisa Lonie (St. Thomas, Whitemarsh)

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IN MEMORIAM

We are very sorry to report the passing of A. Jacqueline Steck, a longtime member of the chapter. She died on April 29th, 2007 at the age of 85. She played at the Daylesford Abbey, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Lansdowne, and taught Journalism at Temple University. In addition, she was Director of the Riddle Village Harmony Singers in the community where she lived, and served our chapter as Newsletter Editor for the AGO Regional Convention here in Philadelphia in 1989 and also wrote a number of articles for the Crescendo. Her funeral service was held at the Daylesford Abbey on May 3rd. Our sincerest sympathy goes to her family and friends at this sorrowful time.

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