

Guild of Organists

A.G.O. Pipe Notes

May 2017



Soli Deo Gloria

*“Sing psalms,
hymns, and
spiritual songs
with gratitude
in your hearts
to God.”*

Colossians 3:16

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From the Dean



I want to take a moment to thank the wonderful members for playing in our In Memoriam: Members' Recital on April 9. Thank you for taking time to prepare during a very busy Easter season. I enjoyed hearing each of you.

Please join us for the final program of our season this Sunday, May 7. Bob Batastini will lead our hymn festival at Prince of Peace Catholic Church at 4pm. We will have the opportunity to hear Peter Kurdziel at the organ and to join our voices in song. There is still time to invite the members from your church and church choir to what will be an exciting afternoon of music.

We will soon publish our calendar for the 2017-2018 Season. Thank you to our outstanding Board for their hard work leading this active chapter through another successful year. As always, we have some exciting ideas starting to be added to for your enjoyment, education and inspiration. There will be something for everyone!

I look forward to seeing you all on Sunday for our Hymn Sing!

Sincerely,

Maryanne Beery

Muskegon-Lakeshore Chapter of The American Guild of Organists

presents

Hymnody: The Voice of Christian Unity

May 7, 2017 ~ 4:00 p.m.

Prince of Peace Catholic Church

1110 Dykstra Road — North Muskegon, Michigan



Robert J. Batastini
Worship Leader



Peter Kurdziel
Organist

Muskegon-Lakeshore Chapter

2017

May 7, 2017

“Hymn Festival with Bob Batastini”

4 PM

Prince of Peace Catholic Church

Great things are already being planned for your 2017-2018 year.

HERE’S A PEEK!!

September 24, 2017

“Installation/Dinner with Grand Rapids

That’s all for now...just know that there will be 2 Young Artist Programs!

Feeding the Soul of the City

May 28, 2017 — 12:15 PM

“Western Jazz Quartet”

Community Artist & Speaker Series

May 21, 2017 — 4:00 PM

Aebersold and Neiweem

First Presbyterian Church--Grand Haven

Financial Report

As of April 30, 2017

General Fund

\$1,158.16

Scholarship Fund

\$2,859.51

Young Artist Fund

\$610.00



We are always willing to accept any monetary donation to our Scholarship or Young Artist Fund.

Our offering on April 9 was \$500! Our community believes in this program and what we are doing for the people wishing to study organ.

Submitted by:

Juanita R. Joiner, Treasurer



Membership Renewal

If your AGO Membership expires on July 1, 2017 (for most of you this is true), please keep an eye out for your renewal notice. Depending on your preferred invoice method,

your notice will arrive in your inbox or your mailbox in mid-April or soon after.

If you have any questions or would like to renew your membership over the phone by credit card, please call (212) 870-2310 after you have received your renewal notice. They are always happy to assist you!

If you would like to try viewing the April or other past TAO’s via the digital view, please click [HERE](#) You will need to login the same way you do when you enter ONCARD by using your login name and password. This is a perfect way to decide how you want to receive your TAO next year. Please refer again to page 5 of this newsletter for information on the “New AGO Dues Structure”.

This is the year we need to **GROW** our chapter. Let’s make a goal to grow our chapter by four! I think we can do this if we start speaking to our friends and colleagues **NOW!**

I already know of one “new” person who will be joining our Muskegon-Lakeshore Chapter. And this person contacted ME after our last program! Info to follow!

MAY “TO DO” LIST

1. **VOTE** if there was a ballot enclosed.
2. **WATCH** your email or mailbox for your 2017-2018 membership renewal...they are on their way!
3. **ATTEND and INVITE someone to our May 7th program at Prince of Peace Catholic Church at 4 pm.**
4. **ASK someone to join AGO!**



Next Meeting...

May 7, 2017

MISSION STATEMENT

The American Guild of Organists is an organization devoted to the advancement of organ and church music in the United States.

Since its founding in 1896, the Guild has grown from approximately 100 members clustered around New York to over 24,000 nationwide, with chapters in all 50 states and abroad. Synagogues and churches of all denominations and sizes are represented in the Guild's membership, which ranges from students to world-renowned recitalists and teachers.

The Muskegon-Lakeshore Chapter currently has some 30 members serving churches throughout the Western Michigan area.

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