

Principal Pipings

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Dean's Message

Happy May!

Well, we have made it to the end of another program year. The Executive Committee has been working hard for the last few months to make sure our next program year is just as good as this one, and I hope you think it is as well.

Thank you to all who participated and volunteered for our last program, the Lenten Lunch and Learn. Special thanks to Don Seevers for heading everything up the day of the program in my absence – thanks, Don!

Our last program this year will be held with our good friend David Lamb on Friday, May 17, at 7:30pm with a recital and a workshop the next morning, Saturday, May 18, at 10:00am. Join us at 9:30 on Saturday before the workshop for a light breakfast, provided by our Hospitality Committee. Both events will be at First Presbyterian Church. David will lead us in his "Inspired Service Playing" workshop, which I know everyone will enjoy.

Also, begin looking for emails from AGOHQ and me starting in the next month or so to remind you to renew your dues – yes, it's already that time again!

This will be our last newsletter until the fall semester, so if you need anything or have an event during the summer, please feel free to contact me and I'll make sure we take care of what you need. Thanks for making this year such a success – it wouldn't have been the same without each and every one of you!

James

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Upcoming Events

- 05.17.19 **David Lamb Recital**
7:30pm First Presbyterian Church, Lexington, KY
- 05.18.19 **“Inspired Service Playing” Workshop by David Lamb (9:30am gathering, 10:00am workshop)**
First Presbyterian Church, Lexington, KY
- 05.19.19 **Mattie Greathouse, flute, with Joshua Bermudez, cello (3:30pm)**
Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir (4:00pm)
Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, KY
- 05.19.19 **Organ Recital and Choral Evensong with Joshua Bullock, organist, and the Parish Choir**
6:15pm The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Lexington, KY

For next year...

Your Executive Committee proudly presents the 2019-2020 Program Year as follows (additional details will be announced closer to each event, as well as another program or two currently in the works. Note that this only includes AGO sponsored events, and there are many more community events that will be announced on the calendar as usual) –

Saturday, September 14, 2019 – Organ Crawl at Asbury University

Friday, October 11, 2019, 7:30pm – David Enlow Recital, Centenary UMC (given by anonymous donor)

Saturday, October 12, 2019, 10:00am-noon – David Enlow Workshop, “Choral Accompaniment”, Centenary UMC

Friday, November 22, 2019, 7:00pm – Member Recital and Dessert Reception, Tates Creek Christian Church

Sunday, December 8, 2019, 2:00pm – 5th Annual Christmas Pipes Recital, Walnut Hill Church

January 2020 (date TBD) – Potluck Dinner, Presentation on Music Library Software by Tina Wagoner, First Presbyterian Church

Friday, March 13, 2020, 7:30pm – Paul Barte Recital, Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church

Saturday, March 14, 2020, 10:00am-noon – Paul Barte Masterclass, Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church

Saturday, April 25, 2020, 10:00am-noon – “Harpsichord Use in Sacred Context”, Jack Ashworth, and “Organ Plus” Workshop (music for organ and solo instruments), Southern Hills UMC

Saturday, May 9, 2020, noon – Officer Installation Luncheon, location TBD

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SUNDAY, MAY 19

3:30pm

Mattie Greathouse, flute
with Joshua Bermudez, cello

4:00pm

Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir



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Don't forget to renew your dues this summer! You should be getting email reminders soon from AGOHQ about how to go about renewing your dues and updating your information.

Chapter News

Summer Updates

The votes are in, and it was a unanimous vote for Maria LeRose-Herndon as our Member-at-Large 2022! Congratulations Maria, and thank you to all who took time to send in a vote for her. Maria's term will begin in the fall as she takes the place of Angela Hurley, whose three-year term expires this summer.

A new scholarship program has been voted on and put into place by the Executive Committee. Thank you to the Scholarship Taskforce, comprised of Bill Webber, Ted Gentry, Jane Johnson, and Zach Klobnak, who worked on this proposal. The John Courter Memorial Scholarship Fund honors our late colleague and former Dean, John Courter, and in part uses the money he left the chapter when he passed to create a way to allow our young organists the opportunity to attend regional and national AGO conventions as well as POEs around the country by giving them assistance with the registration fees for the event. More details and guidelines, as well as the application, will be available on our website later this summer.



David Schroth presenting at the March Lenten Lunch and Learn

Are you on our substitute list, or would like to be? We are in the process of updating our list with more details about each substitute. This would not only allow the substitutes to tell more about themselves, but would help those who use the list to get a better idea of who our potential substitutes are. Thanks to Larry Brandenburg for this suggestion. For this update, please let James Humlong know either by email or phone things such as:

- 1) Weekend/weekday availability
- 2) Weddings/Funerals
- 3) Types of services you are familiar with, especially those of which might be a more difficult service to play for those that are unfamiliar to some of us (Catholic Mass, Episcopalian services, etc.)
- 4) Ability to play piano, direct choirs, etc. in addition to organ

Chapter News

March Program

This March, our program was the Lenten Lunch and Learn at Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church. An idea of Larry Sharp's and designed to be similar to our 2018 January Jubilee, the day consisted of several presentations as well as an organ and choral reading session. The chapter had a great turnout, with around 25 members and guests present.

The day started with a fabulous breakfast provided by Mike and Nancy Dunn. After visiting with each other, the group moved to listen to chapter member Brian Hunt give a very informative presentation on recording technologies available. This was followed by David Schroth talking about organ maintenance and John Webb discussing how to talk with a church about salary negotiations. After the presentations, Tina Wagoner, Larry Brandenburg, Betsy Steiner, Lynn Vera, Don Seevers, and Anna Pan performed organ music supplied by Morningstar publishers. Lunch followed, provided by Pam Boldt, who runs Maxwell Street Presbyterian's kitchen. Special thanks to Angela Hurley who helped plan the lunch. After everyone ate a fabulous meal, the choral music reading session was lead by Don Seevers, Larry Brandenburg, Rose Daniels, and Barbara Rogers. After the program, the organ music that was sampled was available for purchase. It was a full day! Thank you to everyone who played, directed, presented, and attended – it would not have been a successful program without you!



Anna Pan, Angela Hurley, and Kathy Egner pause for a picture during Brian Hunt's presentation



Betsy Steiner, Anne Duncan, and Lynn Vera at lunch



Don Seevers presenting organ music with the assistance of Grant Holcomb

Chapter News

Around the chapter...

It's not too late to register for the Regional Convention in Grand Rapids! In addition to almost a dozen organ recitals and concerts, they will feature handbells, brass, carillon, and the theatre organ. There will also be some familiar faces to the Lexington Chapter, including recitals by Nicole Keller, Katelyn Emerson, and Ken Cowen. You can find more information on their website at www.grago2019.org.



Chapter members at a luncheon at Ramsey's

Do you know a young organist that wants to further their organ skills with great teachers around the country? Consider a Pipe Organ Encounter! Early registration is now open for several of these POEs around the country in Cape Cod, Massachusetts, St. Louis, Missouri, and Seattle, Washington. For the first time, there will also be a POE in Europe, in Helsinki, Finland. Also available are a POE Advanced for high school students already well versed in the organ, held in Houston, Texas, and a POE Technical for those ages 16 to 23 that are interested in learning about organ building. More information can be found through links available on www.agohq.org.

On Saturday, April 13, the Chapter held a "surprise" luncheon in honor of the upcoming wedding of dean James Humlong and his fiancé, Kelleigh Jones. A dozen members gathered at Ramsey's Diner for lunch and drinks. Afterwards, James and Kelleigh sliced and served cake to all guests. The couple enjoyed opening cards and gifts from members and friends, including a folding table and UK serving dish from their bridal registry, plus a gift card from Bed, Bath & Beyond. Additionally, LexAGO First Lady-to-be Kelleigh was presented with a gift membership into the Chapter! The couple awarded door prizes to Nancy Dunn and Larry Sharp for sharing their "worst" wedding musical experiences. Congratulations to James and Kelleigh! We wish them a lifetime of happiness together!

- submitted by Larry Sharp



Dean James Humlong and fiancé Kelleigh Jones



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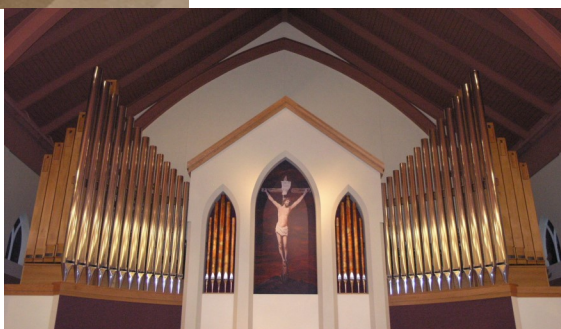
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