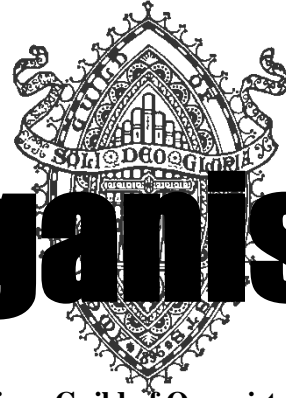


The Greater Columbia Organist



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Dear AGO friends,

What a joy it was to see several of our local AGO members at various summer music conferences. I, myself, was able to attend - along with Mark Husey, Christopher Nash, Hubert Tucker and Tony Roof - our Regional Convention of the AGO in Greensboro, NC. We heard several fine performances, workshops, and premieres! To say the least, many notes were taken by our local members and ideas were brought back to our planning meetings for the upcoming 2013 Regional. All in all, it appears that we are on track to showcase the best of Columbia in two years, so stay tuned for more information about ways in which you can volunteer to help on a committee (hospitality, transportation, etc...). Other conferences attended by our local members this summer included Montreat and A.A.M. in North Carolina, and there was even a local Augsburg Fortress clinic with organist/composer, John Ferguson. All in all, we've been a productive group of musicians this summer!

Following the convention in Greensboro, I headed up to the Finger Lakes of New York with three friends - one of whom is an organist. The idea was to get away from the hustle and bustle of teaching and church music for a week, but when you are travelling with a musical colleague it often happens that you stumble upon a marvelous instrument and you just have to try it out. Such was our case! Cornell University in Ithaca overlooks pristine Lake Cayuga and the campus has just acquired a spectacular pipe organ built by Munetaka Yokota, who currently resides in Sweden. The instrument is a large, two-manual organ built in 18th century Germanic design. I am attaching two photos of the organ (one with my enjoying some time at the instrument) for you to see. You can also find more information about this incredible addition to organ culture in North America by visiting the following website.

Enjoy! <http://music.cornell.edu/about-us/facilities-and-instruments/organs-and-keyboards/organs/anabel-taylor/>

I look forward to seeing you on September 9, 2011 at the Chapel at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Columbia, SC for the first event of our 2011-2012 AGO series. Four of our local members (Mark Husey, Janet Marks, Frank Ballard and Tom White) will demonstrate the small, lovely pipe organ in the historic structure. Dinner will be served before the 7:00 PM recital. Do register as soon as you know that you will be able to attend with Susan Sturkie at Sloopystur@aol.com. We will continue to sell organ sheet music that has been generously donated to our local Guild at this event in September. Plan on bringing a little extra cash in hand with you to buy some scores. If you happen to have any new or gently used music that you would like to donate to the sale, then by all means do bring this with you. Enjoy the remainder of your summer,

Patrick Hawkins, Dean

**IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR AGO DUES FOR 2011-2012,
PLEASE DO SO IMMEDIATELY TO AVOID A LAPSE
IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND SUBSCRIPTION TO *THE AMERICAN ORGANIST*.
Contact Susan Sturkie, sloopystur@aol.com, for more information.**



The Greater Columbia Chapter of the AGO Calendar of Events for 2011

Friday, September 9, 2011. Dinner at 6:00 PM and Concert at 7:00 PM: "Music for a small organ" The Chapel at Ebenezer Lutheran Church, 1301 Richland Street, Columbia, SC 29201.

Mark Husey, Janet Marks, Frank Ballard, and Tom White will each perform music upon the renovated, two-manual pipe organ housed in the lovely acoustic of Ebenezer Chapel. Please make your dinner reservations by e-mailing Susan Sturkie at sloopystur@aol.com. The cost per person for the meal will be \$10.00. The deadline for dinner reservations 9-7-2011

We will also be selling organ music which has been donated to our AGO chapter at this event. If you have any gently used organ music that you would like to donate to us, then please bring it with you to this September meeting.

For church information and directions visit the following website: <http://ebenezerlutheran.org/>

Saturday, October 1, 2011. ** Concert at 1:00 PM. Columbia Choral Festival and AGO Convocation. Washington Street United Methodist Church, 1401 Washington Street, Columbia, SC 29201.

Dr. Craig Jessop, Dean of the Caine College of the Arts at Utah State and former Director of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, will be the guest choral conductor. Organists for the event will include: Dr. William Bates, Dr. Patrick Hawkins, Sarah Fletcher, and Frances Webb. This event is co-sponsored by Eastminster Presbyterian Church, Washington Street United Methodist Church, and Trenholm Road United Methodist Church.

All AGO members are encouraged to register for this two-day event and are asked to sing with the festival chorus. For information about this event, please contact Fredna Lee at flee@eastminsterpres.org or register online at www.eastminsterpres.org

Tuesday, October 11, 2011. Professional Concerns Panel led by Dr. David Lowry

Saturday, November 5, 2011. 1:00 PM Masterclass with Dr. Christopher Young, Professor of Organ at Indiana University, Bloomington. Location: USC School of Music Recital Hall.

Sunday, November 6, 2011. Dr. Christopher Young will perform a post-Evensong recital at 5:00 PM at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral; Columbia, SC.

December, 2011: No scheduled AGO meetings will take place this month.

****2011 Columbia Choral Festival - AGO Convocation**

We are excited to announce The 2011 Columbia Choral Festival featuring Dr. Craig Jessop, former Director of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Dean of the Caine College of the Arts at Utah State.

Sponsored by the Columbia Chapter of AGO, Eastminster Presbyterian Church, Washington Street United Methodist Church, and Trenholm Road United Methodist Church, the festival will be held at Washington Street United Methodist on September 30 and October 1, 2011. **This event is also the AGO Convocation for the 2011-2012 year. AGO members, please make plans to attend and support this event.**

We are inviting you and your choir to be a part of this event. Registration for singers is only \$20. This fee includes Saturday lunch.

TO REGISTER (Deadline - September 21) : Go to the Eastminster Presbyterian Church website at www.eastminsterpres.org. Continue watching the banner at the top of the page until you see "Click here to learn more about the 2011 Columbia Choral Festival." When you see that, click on that part of the page. You will see information about registering and buying music if you and your choir members are planning to sing in the choir for the festival. Be sure to scroll all of the way down the page for all information.

Participants are asked to contact Pecknel Music to purchase the packet of music. If choir directors wish to purchase anthems in bulk rather than in packets, please use the contact information on the Eastminster Presbyterian Church website to order music.

Deadline for registration and ordering music is September 21, 2011. For additional information regarding the event, please contact Fredna Lee at flee@eastminsterpres.org.



CHAPTER RESPONSE: Beverley Anderson's House Fire

Dear Friends,

My home was completely destroyed by fire last Monday a week ago. I need as many prayers going up for me to keep me sane right now. It's early in the morning and I've been awake for hours. I'm going to try to go back to bed to see if I'll be able to sleep. Love Beverley


Many of you responded to this email asking what we could do to help Beverley. In talking with her, we have found that she lost the majority of her music and her baby grand piano (partially insured) along with everything else in the house. The house will have to be razed. She is living in a house owned by her church, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Ridgeway. It is not furnished, but she has started that process with help from church members.

*We have been gathering music to sell to benefit the chapter. We will let Beverley choose some music from this collection to help replace what she lost. If you have music you would like to donate at this time, please email (sloopystur@aol.com) or phone (788-6807) Susan Sturkie and arrangements will be made to get your music **BY AUG. 15** so it can be shared with Beverley soon. (Music donations to the chapter are welcome any time.) If you have other donations in mind, contact Susan or Beverley at 338-0516 (cell) or 337-2203 (will be connected Monday.)*



Our Sympathies to Robert Triplett on the death of his brother

Our sympathies go out to fellow member Robert Triplett on the death of his brother, Frederick Amzi Triplett, Jr., who died on July 29, 2011. A Memorial and Celebration of Life Service was held at Purity Presbyterian Church on Monday, August 1, 2011.



JENNIFER ZOELLNER MARSHALL

in

DOCTORAL RECITAL

Friday, August 26, 2011

7:30 p.m.

Washington Street United Methodist Church
1401 Washington Street
Columbia, SC

Works of

Emma Lou Diemer

Rachel Laurin

Pamela Decker

Hermann Schroeder

Jehan Alain

Leo Sowerby

Mrs. Marshall is a student of Dr. William Bates and a member of the Greater Columbia Chapter of AGO. This recital is presented in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Performance.

YOUNG SANDLAPPER SINGERS

•Be the First to Join Columbia's New Chorus for young singers, Grades 3-8.

*Classes start September 12, 2011.

•Meet 32 weeks on Monday 5:30 to 6:45 at Forest Lake Presbyterian, 6500 N. Trenholm Road

•Here's Your Opportunity to Sing With Other Exceptional Singers.

•First performance at Sandlapper Singers Concert on December 2

Dreher High Performing Arts Center. Auditions: 5:30-7:00

August 1, 8, & 15, at Forest Lake Presbyterian Church

* cost: \$10 per week & scholarships available

•Sponsored by South Carolina's Premier Professional chorus: SandlapperSingers

•See SandlapperSingers web site for registration form and more information or Phone: (803) 422-3710



Hector Olivera in Concert

Friday, September 16

7:30 p.m.

St. Peter Catholic Church

70 Lady's Island Drive

Beaufort

4-manual Rodgers Touring Organ

Adults: \$15; Students w/ID: \$5



Greetings to all!

I hope everyone is having a great summer. Below, you will find the link to our Alain festival to be held at the end of September at Wichita State University and a message describing this unique event. Please take a moment to look at them – and register to attend! Early registration is until August 15. It would be wonderful if you all could be here and bring students – young and old! The younger generation of organists will especially benefit from this special event.

http://webs.wichita.edu/?u=conferences&p=/2011_Alain/

<http://www.americanalainfestival.com/>

I would appreciate it if you could send out this message to all of your chapter members.

Please do not hesitate to contact me personally for more information. I look forward to hearing from and seeing you soon!

Lynne Davis

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Associate Professor

School of Music

Wichita State University

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USA

AGO NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ORGAN PEDAGOGY TO BE PRESENTED IN COOPERATION WITH EASTMAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC

EROI Festival 2011: Improvisation and Organ Pedagogy
November 10–13, 2011, Rochester, N.Y.



NEW YORK CITY—The **American Guild of Organists** (AGO) and the **Eastman School of Music** are partnering to produce the 16th biennial **AGO National Conference on Organ Pedagogy**, November 10–13, 2011, in Rochester, N.Y. The conference, designed in cooperation between the AGO Committee on Continuing Professional Education and the 10th annual **Eastman Rochester Organ Initiative** (EROI) Festival, will present the topic of organ improvisation through a variety of compositional techniques and styles. Complete information, including online registration, is available [online](#). **Early registration discounts are available through August 15.**

"The goal of the AGO's pedagogy conferences is to address various topics and issues pertaining to organ instruction in North America," declared David Heller, director of the AGO Committee on Continuing Professional Education. "The City of Rochester and the Eastman School of Music, with its multiplicity of instruments and performing venues, will provide a superb setting in which to address the topic of improvisation from many different angles, providing information and resources that will be useful to all instructors of the organ at all levels of instruction."

The four-day conference will present master classes featuring students at a variety of levels, panel discussions addressing the teaching of improvisation, and sessions that will provide attendees with resource material in the pedagogy of improvisation. The keynote address, *Why Is Improvisation So Difficult?*, will be given by Eastman faculty member William Porter.

A distinguished faculty of internationally renowned organists and teachers working in the discipline of organ improvisation will include Jeffrey Brillhart (Yale University), Tony Caramia (Eastman), Sophie-Veronique Cauchefer-Choplin (Royal College of Music, London), Hans Davidsson (Eastman), Michael Dodds (University of North Carolina School of the Arts), Gerre Hancock (Butler School of Music, University of Texas), David Higgs (Eastman), Denise Lanning (Denver Chapter, AGO), Rudolf Lutz (Schola Cantorum Basiliensis), William Marvin (Eastman), Bruce Neswick (Indiana University), David Peckham (Horseheads United Methodist Church, Horseheads, N.Y.), McNeil Robinson (Manhattan School of Music), Pamela Ruiten-Feenstra (author of *Bach and the Art of Improvisation*), John R. Shannon (Sweet Briar College), and Daniel Zager (Eastman).

For further information, please contact please contact EROI Festival Coordinator Annie Laver at 585-274-1564 or e-mail anne.laver@rochester.edu.

August Birthdays

8/06 Norman McCorkle
8/08 Hubert Tucker
8/18 Mary Beth McSwain
8/19 Mark Husey
8/20 Sally Cherrington Beggs
8/21 Teresa Riley
8/26 Wynne Price
8/27 Frank Deese
8/29 Monica Yates



Welcome New and Former Members

Please add these members to your 2010-2011 Directory.

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Planning Ahead???

National Convention, July 1-6, 2012 – Nashville, Tennessee.

For more information see: <http://www.nashvilleago.org/2012/index.htm>

Region IV Convention 2013 – Columbia, SC. Watch for more information on our website: <http://www.regional2013.org>

*Please send information for September's newsletter to
tonyroof@windstream.net by August 20.
(Copy ready, please.)*



**** NEW LISTING**

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Please contact Susan Sturkie (803-788-6807 or sloopystur@aol.com) to update this information or for more information on these openings.

BLYTHEWOOD

Breath of Life Lutheran Church, PO Box 565, Blythewood, 29016. Keyboardist-Music Coordinator. Sunday worship & special services. Wednesday rehearsal. 8-10 hours per week. Lead musicians and coordinate needs for music of various styles. Send resumes to the church address or breathoflifelutheran@yahoo.com.

Kilbourne Park Baptist Church, 4205 Kilbourne Rd., Columbia. Organist. 3 manual Baldwin, Sunday AM and PM Services (Blended), Wednesday night rehearsal, special services. Piano and organ play together for hymns and anthem. Contact Associate Pastor/Minister of Music, Rev. Stuart T. Thompson, Stuart@kilbournepark.org, Church phone 787-3371, Cell 622-3270. Please call for additional information.

Saint Joseph Catholic Church, www.stjosephcolumbia.org 1800 family parish seeks Music Director with strong pastoral, organ, improvisational, liturgical, organizational, word processing/tech skills, Catholic parish experience. Incumbent director, Teresa Riley, is retiring after 30 years of distinguished service: graded choral and cantor program in place. Allen organ is temporary: new director would help in designing a new pipe organ. Parish school (grades preK-6), Cardinal Newman High School, and USC School of Music provide multiple resources for music ministry recruitment. Competitive salary and benefits (full-time AGO standard). Also see ads on AGO National, NPM job hotline. Send seasonal or annual repertory list (hymns, anthems, Mass settings, organ voluntaries); audio samples (choral, solo organ, hymn playing with improvised bridge/modulation); samples of desk-top publishing (Order of Worship, web design, and/or program flier), with résumé and references to Msgr. Richard D. Harris, Pastor and Vicar General at SaintJosephColumbia@gmail.com . Only digital applications at this time: no phone calls, please.

Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church, a medium-sized suburban church, is seeking a part-time Director of Music Ministries. Working with the pastor, this person will provide leadership and expertise to help our congregation give glory to God in worship, as well as grow spiritually through the use of music. In addition to directing the adult choir for weekly worship and occasional special services, this person will be responsible for the administration and supervision of all other music programs and music staff. If interested, please send your resume to the attention of Mrs. Betty Anderson (betty@sopc.net, ph. (803) 772-1761, fax (803) 772-1787.).

CLINTON

Broad Street United Methodist Church in Clinton, SC is seeking a part-time Director of Music and/or Organist. Broad Street has a traditional worship service and a contemporary service on Sunday mornings. The Director is expected to rehearse and direct the chancel choir and the adult bell choir, and coordinate with the pastor on worship music. The Director will also provide leadership for the contemporary service "praise band" and worship team. Staff musicians shall work to sustain and to grow our musical programs and to enrich the Congregation's worship experience. The salary for the separate or combined positions will be negotiated commensurate with the level of education and experience of the applicant. The positions will be available beginning in January, 2011. Send resumes and contact information to BSUMC, PO Box 204, Clinton, SC 29325, or BSUMC e-mail address info@broadstreet-umc.org (Phone number 864-833-0177.) Broad Street is a three hundred member church located in downtown Clinton, a city of 9,000 people in the Piedmont Region of South Carolina. The sanctuary is equipped with a new sound system, a three manual Zimmer pipe organ and a Yamaha grand piano. The church has an extensive choral library and a dedicated rehearsal space.

DENMARK

****Bethel Park UMC** is seeking a part-time Organist/Choir Director. Our instrument is a 33-rank, three manual Gress-Miles Organ with antiphonal organ in the rear of the sanctuary. Service playing is most important, and ability to lead hymns with the organ is a must. Our choir is composed of 25-35 members and continues a long history of excellence. Ability to sight read above average choral music is a must. We rehearse on Monday evenings at 7pm. Our Sunday morning worship service is at 11am. We will offer a salary commensurate with experience. Additional playing for funerals is negotiable. Special services will be required at Christmas and Easter. Please contact Rev. Judy Hames at 803-793-3595 or revjudy7@aol.com or the church office at 803-793-3669.

FLORENCE

Cross and Crown Lutheran, PART-TIME DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES. P/T Director of Music Ministries needed for Florence, SC church. 10 hours per week. Duties include planning and coordinating the congregation's music program, direct the choir, and participate in planning of worship and other musical activities. Education and experience appropriate for a professional church keyboard musician is desired. Please send resume to: Cross and Crown, 3123 W. Palmetto St. Florence. info@cross-n-crown.org

St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Organist (10 hours). St. John's Episcopal Church, 252 S. Dargan Street, Florence, SC 29506. Phone: (843) 662-5585; fax: (843) 669-9443; e-mail: twilliams@stjohnsflorence.org; website: www.stjohnsflorence.org. The Music Ministry of this traditional 240-family parish church includes an annual concert series, annual regional choir workshop, summer choir camp, and 28-voice choir. Duties include accompanying weekly choir practice and playing for one Sunday service/week, seasonal liturgies, funerals, and weddings. The parish is seeking a competent musician with solid keyboard skills and a background in classical repertoire. A bachelor degree in music is preferred. Dedication to one's ministry, strong work ethic, excellent organizational skills, and ability to work collaboratively are essential to the continuing development of a rapidly growing, vibrant music ministry. 2-manual, 9-rank Moller pipe organ. \$11,000 (additional stipend for weddings). Send résumé, references, and audition tape/CD to Tammy Williams, Minister of Music.

MT. PLEASANT, SC

East Cooper Baptist Church, 361 Egypt Road, Mount Pleasant, SC 29464 is seeking a part-time Organist for our Sanctuary Services. This position will entail time for rehearsals on Wednesday evenings, playing for two of our morning services on Sunday morning, and personal rehearsal time. This person must have a passion for the Lord and for corporate worship, be a qualified and experienced organist, and be a flexible "team player." If you are interested in being a part of a wonderful worship team, using your gifts to lead others in worship, please send resume to jenniferc@ecbconline.com for more information. East Cooper has a full music program, including large orchestra and an Arts Academy. You can find out more about the church at www.ecbconline.com.
Dean Henderson, Worship Pastor - (843) 856-3222 ext. 2041, (843) 856-1136 (fax)

NEWBERRY

Colony Lutheran Church, 48 Colony Church Rd., Newberry, SC. **Director of Music/Organist, Part-time.** Located half-way between Prosperity and Newberry on USH#76. One Sunday Worship @ 11:00 a.m. Baldwin 636, 2 manual electronic organ, handbells. Salary negotiable. For more info, contact Worship & Music Chairperson Bettye H. Fulmer @ 803-276-7998, or Pastor Jerry Trantham @ 803-276-7151, colonylc@bellsouth.net.

POMARIA

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 2496 SC Highway 773, Pomaria. Choir Director/Organist. One Service/One Practice, Sunday morning. Contact Pastor Brent Nichols: nicholsfive@juno.com , (803)924-4851.

SALUDA

St. Paul UMC, 102 E. Butler Ave., Saluda, SC. Permanent, part-time Organist. Two services on Sunday (9 & 11) and choir rehearsal on Wednesday evening. We are looking for someone proficient on organ and piano, who can accompany a choir, and provide prelude, offertory and postlude. Salary is negotiable, based on the qualifications and needs of the applicant. Please send resume and references to Rev. Robert Cox, Pastor, St. Paul UMC, 102 E. Butler Ave., Saluda, SC 29138 or email to pastor@stpaulsaluda.com. I can receive both Word and PDF documents.

ST. MATTHEWS

St. Paul United Methodist Church, Choir/Music Director & Organist, one or two positions. (Contact Susan for Job Description.)

WEST COLUMBIA

Springdale Baptist Church is seeking an organist to play Sunday morning and evening services. The candidate should be proficient in both traditional and contemporary worship genres. Occasionally the organist may be required to accompany anthems for the choir during Wednesday evening rehearsals. Please send resumes to Springdale Baptist, Attention: Personnel, 357 Wattling Rd., West Columbia, SC 29170 or email to: jonathan@springdalebaptist.org.