

## OMAHA CHAPTER, AGO

### DEAN'S "CIPHERS"

July 15, 2016

- MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS NEED TO BE COMPLETED BY JULY 27 TO BE INCLUDED IN 2016-27 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY.
- Seven members of Omaha AGO attended the NATIONAL CONVENTION in Houston. Remarkable recitals, concerts, worship events, workshops, seminars and presentation of papers.
- Omaha AGO member MICHAEL BAUER presented a workshop titled "Playing to Learn-Learning to Play: The Art of Practicing the Organ." Well attended highly productive workshop.
- Randall M. Egan, Publisher of Music, Ltd. recently published new choral work composed by Omaha AGO member MARTY WHEELER BURNETT, VIDI AQUAM, SATB with soprano solo.
- St. Paul United Methodist Church, JERRY BRABEC, Minister of Worship, recently commissioned Omaha AGO member MICHAEL McCABE to compose a new choral work introduced during Sunday services earlier this summer.
- Omaha AGO member TIMOTHY SCHREIBER attended POE at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa.
- Omaha AGO member Rev. TIMOTHY FRANK was installed as Associate Pastor at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Council Bluffs June 29. Pastor Frank will direct the Gloria Dei choir and be the administrator of St. Paul's Music Conservatory.
- The June issue of *The American Organist* included a review of January Jubilee's held this past winter. The article included a photograph of Omaha AGO members ED HURD and Dr. CHRISTENSEN with EILEEN GUENTHER, our keynote presenter.
- The July issue of *The American Organist* included an article authored by Omaha AGO member JEAN JOHNSON reviewing our Hymn Festival held in April. Included is a photograph of the organists who played for our hymn festival.
- Omaha AGO sponsored-in-recital DAVID VON BEHREN presented an organ crawl for children at St. Mark Lutheran Church under the supervision of Omaha AGO member MICHAEL KESAR, Director of Music Ministries.
- Omaha AGO by-laws are being updated. Final draft will be presented to chapter membership at the chapter's quarterly business meeting August 28. Watch August issue of WINDCHEST for updates.
- The Federal Trade Commission has required the AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS and its affiliate chapters change by-laws and policies regarding contracted positions. Chapters not in compliance will be dropped from AGO charter. Omaha dean, Dr. C. has recruited an attorney, MARTIN CANNON, who is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Council Bluffs, to voluntarily register the necessary changes for Omaha AGO. More details by September 1.