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## From the Dean...

In May of this year, the National Board of the American Guild of Organists approved new mission and vision statements for the Guild. Each statement is simple, clear and relevant. The mission statement segues smoothly to the vision statement:

“The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to foster a thriving community of musicians who share their knowledge and inspire passion for the organ.”

“The vision of the American Guild of Organists is to engage, support and uplift every organist.”

The vision statement is especially applicable to the well-being of the AGO and its chapters. It is always important to show respect for others, especially in a culture that increasingly exhibits lack of respect for others, regardless of one’s status or station in life. A gentle word, smile, or an act of kindness uplifts the recipients of kind gestures in ways that cannot be measured. Moreover, support and encouragement for others is contagious, extending to peers, friends, families and co-workers.

I believe the Omaha Chapter AGO is a chapter whose members truly “engage, support and uplift every organist.” Members willingly offer to share music resources, invite organists who are non-members to join AGO, promote and attend music events presented by fellow members, and offer to help others in times of unforeseen stress and need. Members of the chapter genuinely reach out to help neighboring chapters, encouraging renewal of membership, offering guidance in programming, organ studies, and chapter reorganization. Our members share resources, ideas, opportunity to practice on important pipe organs in our communities, and offer encouragement to others in a spirit of kindness.

And what better way is there to “support and uplift every organist” than showing respect one to another? That smile, encouraging comment, offer to help, spoken or written compliment goes further than anyone realizes. Kindness and respect extended to others is contagious. It spreads, strengthening not only the well being of fellow organists, but the American Guild of Organists and our chapter as well.

Peace and good will. Psalm 96:1,2.

Dr. Christensen, AAGO  
Dean, Omaha AGO



## Tip of the Month



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## Tip of the Month

The best advice I have for my colleagues is to index your music library. Mine is indexed in Excel with the following columns (which you can easily modify to your own liking):

- Title
- Composer / Arranger
- Collection (name of the book, if applicable)
- Use (i.e., Advent, Lent, communion, etc.)
- Date Last Used (if applicable)
- Hymntune (if applicable)
- Style (I devised a one letter code, e.g., M=Majestic, C=Contemplative, F=Festive, etc.)

The entries can be sorted numerous ways. For example, when planning for Advent, I will pull up only the Advent entries and then sort them by the date last used to find appropriate selections for each Sunday. Although the data entry takes time, it will save you countless hours in music planning and help you fully utilize your music library.

Ann Spangler

## Welcome NEW AGO Members!!

## Sonja Lundgren

One of our new members joined our Chapter last year. Sonja Lundgren came to Omaha from San Diego, where she was organist/pianist at Graham Memorial Presbyterian Church in Coronado. She received her musical training with Philip Hahn (UNI) and Karel Paukert at Northwestern, and studied with Allison Ludecke in San Diego. She has both her BA and MM degrees. She is enjoying being near her daughter & family here in Omaha and her two sons here in the Midwest. Sonja currently teaches some string and piano students, and is an accompanist for a local school. She also enjoys being a part of the Bell Choir at All Saints Episcopal Church.

## Rev. Timothy Frank

Timothy Frank is the new Associate Pastor at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Council Bluffs. Pastor Frank was born and raised in Minnesota and began music studies at the age of 7. In 2003 he began his studies at Bethany Lutheran Collage in Mankato, MN and graduated in 2007 with a major in church music and a minor in religious studies. In 2011 Pastor Frank received his M. Div. and was ordained and installed as Pastor of St. Paul and Immanuel Lutheran Churches in Charter Oak and St. Luke Lutheran Church in Ricketts, Iowa. In September of 2014, he completed a Masters Degree in Church Music from Concordia University Wisconsin, where he studied with Dr. John Behnke. He and his wife Sandra have been blessed with three boys: Samuel (5), Jonathan (3), and Daniel (1). Pastor Frank was installed at St. Paul's, Council Bluffs on June 27<sup>th</sup>.

*Welcome*

# 2016-2017 AGO Season

## AGO SEASON KICK-OFF

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2016 at 5:00 – 7:30 p.m.**

AGO Certification. Joyce Shupe Kull  
(Dinner followed by meeting and program)  
St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
170 Nicholas Street, Council Bluffs  
Host: J Gordon Christensen

## ORGAN/HARP

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016 at 3:00 pm**

Sowerby Harp/Organ Concerto  
St. Paul Methodist Church  
5410 Corby, Omaha  
Hosts: Jerry Brabec and Michael McCabe  
co-sponsors are Harp Society and Cathedral Arts Project

## ADVENT/CHRISTMAS ON TWO

**SOUTH OMAHA TREASURED ORGANS:**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016**

**Casavant organ at St. Peter and Paul  
at 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

(Program and appetizer)  
5912 South 36th Street Omaha

**Wilhelm organ at St. Mary's on Monday  
at 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

(Program and sweet)  
3529 Q St, Omaha

Hosts: Mayumi Naramura and LeAnn Stoltenberg

## CATHERINE RODLAND ORGAN RECITAL

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, at 3:00 p.m.**

Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church  
2650 Farnam Street, Omaha  
Host: Mark Jones.  
AGO host, Jean Johnson  
Reception following

## RIVER CITY, AGO CHRISTMAS SOCIAL SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, at 3:00 p.m.

Program & potluck with the RCTOS  
(RIVER CITY THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY)  
Robert Markworth residence  
13535 N 73rd Plaza Omaha  
Host: Robert Markworth. AGO host, Greg Johnson



## PETER LATONA, ORGAN RECITAL/ WORKSHOP

**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 – 21  
RECITAL FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, at 7:30 p.m.**

Saint Cecilia Cathedral  
701 North 40th Street, Omaha  
**WORKSHOP, SATURDAY  
JANUARY 21, at 9:00 am- noon**  
**Mid-Winter Church Music Workshop**  
Saint Cecilia Institute, Msgr.  
Graham Building, Room 201  
3900 Webster Street, Omaha  
Co-sponsors are Cathedral Arts Project  
and the Archdiocese of Omaha  
Host: Marie Rubis Bauer

## YOUNG ORGANISTS RECITAL

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18th at 2:00 p.m.**

Morning Star Lutheran Church  
331 S 85th Ave, Omaha  
Host: Bev McCollum.

## SACRED SOUND – A documentary about RSCM (ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC) GIRLS' CHOIR CAMP

**MONDAY, MARCH 6, at 6:30 p.m.**

With Robin Arcus, producer and director  
The Cathedral Cultural Center  
O'Donnell Lecture Hall  
3900 Webster Street, Omaha  
Members and Guests invited to this choral program  
Host: Marie Rubis Bauer

## THE ORGAN IN JEWISH REFORMED WORSHIP. Intro to Tri-faith Initiative

**MONDAY, APRIL 24, at 6:30 p.m.**  
With Wendy Shermet, Cantor, presenter  
Temple Israel

13111 Sterling Ridge Drive, Omaha  
Host: Julie Sandene

## CLOSING DINNER and MEMBER CERTIFICATION PARTICIPANTS/ RECITAL MONDAY, MAY 22, at 6:00

Dundee Presbyterian Church  
5312 Underwood Avenue, Omaha  
Hosts: Dr. Wayne Kalstrom  
J. Gordon Christensen

**Scott Youngs and Stephen Hartman in Concert!**  
**Sunday, September 25 - 3:00 p.m.**  
**St. Paul United Methodist Church**

The Omaha Chapter of AGO is pleased to announce the appearance of Scott Youngs and Stephen Hartman in a concert of music for organ and harp at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, September 25 in the Sanctuary of St. Paul United Methodist Church, Omaha, at 54<sup>th</sup> & NW Radial. This dynamic musical duo is being co-sponsored by AGO/O, the Cathedral Arts Project, the Omaha Harp Society, and the St. Paul Music Ministry. The Sunday afternoon event is free and open to the public.

**Scott Alan Youngs**, organ, is Director of Music for All Saints' Episcopal Church, conducts the Chamber Choir, the Senior Choir, the Women's Chant Choir, and the Boy and Girl Choristers of the Day School, as well as being the principal organist. As a pianist and organist, he has appeared in recital throughout Western Europe, the United States, and South America. As choral conductor, he has toured with his choirs in England, Wales, Ireland, Italy and Russia. His choirs have recorded nine CDs and his Choristers have completed five CDs. Scott is also the Artistic Director of the Arizona Bach Festival, a 501(c)3 whose mission is to inspire, educate, preserve, and elevate the appreciation of Bach as a transcendent force, through the highest caliber of performances.

**Stephen Hartman**, harp, served as principal harpist to the Elgin Symphony 1988-2013. He performed with most of the major ensembles in the Chicago area, including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (at home and internationally), the Chicago Opera Theater, Joffrey Ballet, St. Charles Singers, the Milwaukee and Phoenix Symphonies, the William Ferris Chorale, Rembrandt Chamber Players, and, with great fun, the Warner Brothers Symphony's national tour accompanying Bugs Bunny and Elmer Fudd! His Ravina Festival Orchestra appearances included work with Tony Bennett, Ray Charles & Stephen Sondheim, as well as national tours with Johnny Mathis. Schooled at Interlochen Arts Academy and Indiana University, he has served on the faculties of DePaul and North Park Universities as instructor of harp. Stephen currently serves as a studio instructor and adjunct faculty at Arizona State University.

**Reuter Opus 1190, 1957;  
 EP III/37**

**Great**

16 Lieblich Gedeckt  
 8 Principal  
 8 Spitzflöte  
 4 Octave  
 4 Flute Harmonique  
 2 Doublette  
 III Rk Fourniture  
 Great to Great 16 & 4  
 Great Unison Off

**Swell**

8 Gedeckt  
 8 Viola  
 8 Viola Celeste  
 4 Principal  
 4 Spillflöte  
 2 Flachflute  
 III Rk Plein Jeu  
 16 Basson  
 8 Oboe  
 8 Vox Humana  
 8 Trompette  
 4 Clarion  
 Swell to Swell 16 & 4  
 Swell Unison Off  
 Tremulant

**Choir**

8 Diapason  
 8 Rohrflute  
 8 Erzähler  
 8 Erzähler Celeste  
 4 Nachthorn  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Nazard  
 2 Blockflöte  
 1<sup>3rd</sup> Tierce  
 1<sup>st</sup> Larigot  
 8 Clarinet  
 Choir to Choir 16 & 4  
 Choir Unison Off  
 Tremulant

**Pedal**

32 Untersatz  
 16 Principal  
 16 Bourdon  
 16 Lieblich Gedeckt  
 8 Principal  
 8 Open Flute  
 8 Lieblich Gedeckt  
 5<sup>th</sup> Principal 12<sup>th</sup>  
 4 Principal  
 4 Open Flute  
 16 Bombarde  
 16 Bassoon  
 8 Trompette  
 4 Clarion

**Tablature**

Great to Pedal 8 & 4  
 Swell to Pedal 8 & 4  
 Choir to Pedal 8 & 4  
 Swell to Great 16, 8 & 4  
 Choir to Great 16, 8 & 4  
 Swell to Choir 16, 8 & 4  
 Choir to Great 16, 8 & 4  
 Great to Choir 8  
  
 Multi-level Combination  
 10 Generals  
 5 Manual Generals

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# Pedaling around Omaha

## From the July 13th AGO board meeting.

Dr. Christensen brought a cake to celebrate the July birthdays of Marie Rubis Bauer, Jean Johnson, Julie Sandene and Claire Eason. The board was completing the calendar of meetings and events for the 2016-2017 season. The cake was decorated with a line drawing of Franck's organ at Sainte-Clotilde.

Pictured are: Jean, Claire and Julie.



## Sinai Lutheran Church announces the following dedicatory events for the new Juget-Sinclair organ, Op. 46:

Recital, Claire Bushong, November 13

Dedication of the organ (at Sinai Lutheran Church's 125th anniversary service), December 11

Hymn festival with David Schack and Paul Westermeyer, February 19

Recital, Michael Bauer, April 30

All events are at 3:00 p.m. Sinai Lutheran Church is located at 950 E. 8th St. in Fremont.

The pipe organ that was formerly at Sinai Lutheran in Fremont has found a new home in Minnesota in the home congregation of Marie Rubis Bauer. The organ was dedicated August 7 and was also used for the memorial services for her mother, on August 15.

Our condolences to Marie and her family.



## TO BE ANNOUNCED BY OMAHA AGO

**October 9** - Organ Recital by Dr. Wayne Kallstrom  
Strauss Performing Arts Center

**November 13** - Organ Recital,  
Mount Sinai Lutheran Church, Fremont

**February 19** - Hymn Festival, David Schack,  
Mount Sinai Lutheran Church, Fremont

**March 19** - All-Bach Organ Recital, Marie Rubis Bauer,  
St. Cecilia Cathedral, Omaha

## The family of Samuel J "Sam" Fredrickson Acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy

Dear Dr. C and Omaha Chapter AGO,

Sarah and Mark and I wish to thank you for the memorial gifts to All Saints Youth Group in memory of Sam. The Youth Group goes on a mission trip every spring and will be very appreciative of the gift to help with expenses.

Much thanks also for the many cards, e-mails and attendance at the funeral.

Your prayers have been much appreciated.

# Short Box...



*Vesper*

*Concert*

*September 25*

*3:00 p.m.*

## Vesper Concerts

Music for Piano Trio  
Susanna Perry Gilmore, violin;  
Gregory Clinton, cello;  
Christi Zuniga, piano

Vesper Concerts, Omaha's longest continuously running chamber music series, opens its 29th season with a program of music for piano trio featuring three of Omaha's best-known musicians with music by J.S. Bach, Frank Bridge and Johannes Brahms.

Sunday, September 25  
3:00 PM



*News  
from  
the  
Lincoln  
Chapter*

## Further down the road ...from Lincoln AGO



### Lincoln Organ Showcase

As the 2016-17 season of the Lincoln Organ Showcase is coming together, we want to let you know of some definite dates and some changes that are in store. We can announce that the first two concerts of the season will be **September 25, 4:00 p.m. - Thomas Heywood**, organ at First-Plymouth Congregational Church (co-sponsor with Abendmusik) and **October 9, 3:00 p.m. - Benjamin Sheen**, organ at Grace Lutheran Church.

This season, we will also be considering the LOS concerts to be part of the monthly Lincoln AGO chapter activities. Therefore, AGO Lincoln Chapter members will not have to buy season tickets to LOS; because they will now be included as a part of the chapter membership. However, we hope that you will still volunteer to give to LOS, which depends greatly on the generosity of our members and patrons!

AGO Board  
Members

### CURRENT AGO BOARD MEMBERS 2016-2017



Committee Chairs

Dean: J Gordon Christensen, AAGO  
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Secretary: Gregory Johnson  
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Julie Sandene: 2014/15-2016/17  
Claire Eason: 2015/16 -2017/18  
Jean Johnson: 2016/17 - 2018/19

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