



The ENCHAMADE

Newsletter of the American Guild of Organists, Memphis Chapter

September 2011



From the Dean

David Ouzts

Greetings to all and welcome back from your summer travels, vacations, conferences, retreats, camps – all those fun events that comprise our summer months and, at the same time, seem to make the summer “fly by,” as they say.

At our opening meeting of the 2011-12 season, we will all have the opportunity to share our summer stories and tell about the conferences we attended at our September meeting “**Food for Thought: Convention Highlights and Technical Tidbits,**” **Monday, Sept. 12, at St. Philip Episcopal Church, 9380 Davies Plantation Road** (details below). Our 7:00 Business Meeting will continue into a program presented by Chapter Registrar Dennis Janzer and Program Committee member Scott Elsholz, who will share with us online resources, brief overviews of musical software, and other electronic helps for the church musician. They will provide handouts for us to take home, something that everyone will want to have.

This meeting will provide the opportunity for us all to reconnect and catch up, something that I have found to be unique and special about the Memphis Chapter. Visitors to our chapter have said what a supportive, close-knit group our membership is, and I believe this is something that we want to celebrate. We each need to do our part to invite others to join our group as well; take this opportunity to invite a friend (member or non-member) to come with you on Sept. 12. Don't miss this opportunity to “catch up” with everyone...we promise a good time to all! *Soli Deo Gloria, DPO*

Farewell Charles Nolen

He was here, he was duly elected, and now he's gone! Chapter Registrar Charles Nolen, longtime, native Memphian and definitely a product of the Memphis Chapter, accepted a new post this summer as Organist/Choirmaster of Our Lady of Loreto Parish, Foxfield (Greater Denver), CO. Sadly, he had to resign as Registrar of our chapter, and according to our Chapter Operating Procedures, the Dean appointed and the Executive Board approved Dennis Janzer to take up the Registrar duties for the chapter. (Thanks Dennis!) Charles' appointment is a marvelous opportunity for him, and we wish Charles, Virginia, and the children our very best. Check our Charles' new parish at www.ourladyofloreto.org.

September Meeting Monday, Sept. 12, 2011

**Food for Thought: Convention
Highlights and Technical Tidbits**
Scott Elsholz and Dennis Janzer, facilitators

6:00 Gathering
6:30 Picnic (picnic food but with tables/chairs)
7:00 Business Meeting and Program

**St. Philip Episcopal Church
9380 Davies Plantation Road
Memphis, TN 38133**

Reservations to Joe Holloway (agodinner@att.net)

October 2011 Newsletter Deadline: September 9, 2011

Please submit materials to newsletter editor David Caudill, daltertoncaudill@gmail.com.
A flyer listing all newsletter deadlines for 2011-2012 was included in the Summer 2011 issue.
Concert and recital calendar information may be submitted in advance at any time.

Positions Available

Soprano Section Leader

St. George's Episcopal, 2425 S. Germantown Rd., Germantown, TN 38138. Contact Angela Saunders, 901-754-7282, ext 33 or music@stgeorgesgermantown.org. 10 AM Sunday/Wednesday PM weekly rehearsals (monthly in summer), possible additional services, rehearsals, solo work, teaching privileges, other benefits. Strong sight-reading skills needed, be comfortable with various styles of music.

Accompanist/Organist

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 8151 Chimneyrock Boulevard, Cordova, TN 38019. One Sunday 10:30 AM Mass Wednesday rehearsal (7-9 PM), special masses and concerts throughout the year may require extra rehearsal. Knowledge of Roman Catholic liturgy helpful, good sight-reading skills necessary. Contact Anthony Williams 901-310-9332, 901-277-1055, awilltenor@att.net or Anthony.Williams@sfachurch.cdom.org

Choir Director/Pianist-Organist

Saint Patrick Catholic Church, 277 South Fourth Street, Memphis, TN 38126. 11 AM Sunday Mass. Familiarity with Roman Catholic Liturgy needed. Contact Fr. Tim Sullivan: 901-679-7235 or Tim.Sullivan@StPat.cdom.org

Director of Music and Organist (full-time)

Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 4851 Park Avenue, Memphis, TN 38117, 901-767-6949, www.holyrosary.fm, rayna.cobb@hr.cdom.org. Four weekend services (1 Saturday PM/3 Sunday AM) Fridays (during academic year), Holy Day Masses, 4 choir rehearsals weekly, Moller-Koziel IV/57 organ. Complete job description available upon request. Contact Rayna Cobb at church address above.

Section Leader (tenor)

Christ United Methodist Church, 4488 Poplar Avenue, Memphis TN 38117. 2 Sunday AM services; extra seasonal services. Contact Perry Redfearn: 901-261-2120

Church Musician (director/accompanist)

First United Methodist Church, 502 Porter Street, Helena, Arkansas 72342. Accompany 1 or more weekly services and special services as requested. Direct/accompany Chancel Choir, handbells, other ensembles, weddings, funerals. For details, contact Bro. Mark B. Massey at church: 870-338-7418

Choir Director/Organist

Cordova Presbyterian Church, 8707 Fay Road, Cordova, TN 38018. 1 Sunday AM (10:30); Wed PM rehearsal. Rogers Opus 677 electronic/Yamaha electric grand piano. Contact Dr. Thomas Pickering: 901-754-3553 or Pick1776@aol.com

LISTING OF AVAILABLE POSITIONS – to have your position listed in the printed newsletter and placed on the website, an authorized representative of the church must submit the listing in writing on church letterhead. Although listings are free of charge, the Executive Board of the Memphis Chapter reserves the right to review and refuse all advertisements before accepting them for publication in the printed newsletter and for use on the chapter website. The advertisement must include a complete description of the position's duties as well as pertinent details: e.g. number and times of rehearsals and services, type of organ or piano, other musical instruments or ensembles, contact person and telephone and/or email, name of institution, address, city state, zip, website. For further information, contact Jane Scharding Smedley, Placement Officer, (901) 527-8282 ext. 15, mrsjane@bellsouth.net.

2011-2012 EXECUTIVE BOARD

Elected Officers

David Ouzts, *Dean*
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RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW

Chapter membership renewals are due NOW! Be sure to get your renewal form, signed Code of Ethics, and payment in to Treasurer Joe Holloway ASAP. The Membership Director will be published in September, and you don't want to be left out. Membership forms are available on the website or by contacting Registrar Dennis Janzer or Joe Holloway. The Membership Directories will be distributed at the October meeting, and we want you listed and "paid up."

BACH-A-THON: A BANNER SUCCESS

The Memphis Chapter and St. George's Episcopal Church, Germantown, together presented a delightful Sunday afternoon of music on Aug. 7 from 2 – 6 PM. Music of the great master Johann Sebastian Bach was played in a four-hour marathon representing a variety of musical forms and on all manner of instruments, from organ to voice to solo and ensemble instrumentalists. The program was quite well attended, and many, many people contributed to its success. Special thanks go to Kelly Kramer and Angela Saunders for planning and executing the recital. Check out the photos on Jean Jones' and Angela Saunders' *Facebook* pages. (And "friend" Jean or Angela if you haven't already in order to see the photos.)

WEBSITE UPDATE

Webmaster Sumner Jenkins has updated our website, which should now be completely viewable in all of the major web browser programs: Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, Safari, etc. Please check our website often for news and updates. If you have trouble viewing the website contents, please contact Sumner Jenkins, 901-525-6602, sjenkins@calvarymemphis.org.

NEW AAGOs AMONG US

Two of our chapter members are new "AAGOs" in our midst: Sarah Harr and John Palmer passed their Associate certification exams (AAGO) this summer and will now carry the certifications with their names, along with their other academic credentials. As we all know, the AAGO and FAGO exams are intensive, difficult processes, and we heartily congratulate Sarah and John on their achievements. They will be, of course, listed on the chapter "Role of Honor" on the website and in the membership directory. Many thanks to Jane Gamble, FAGO, our Chapter Exams Coordinator, for her diligence and devotion to the AGO exams process.

TASK FORCE APPOINTMENTS

Dean David Ouzts is appointing two task force groups to study and make recommendations on some administrative issues in the chapter, (1) a *Communications Task Force* to study our modes of chapter communications (newsletter, website, e-mail list, etc.) and (2) a *Chapter Operating Procedures Task Force* to study and revise our present operating procedures, which have not been revised since 2006. AGO National Headquarters advises all local chapters to revise their Chapter Operating Procedures about every two years, which is how often the AGO National Bylaws are regularly revised. Those who have agreed to serve will be announced at the September meeting and in the October issue of *The EnChamade*.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 9, 2011 – 7 PM – St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 700 Poplar Ave.

The Fairfield Four, Grammy Award winning a cappella ensemble
Free concert with free childcare, reception to follow

September 11, 2011 – 11 AM – Lindenwood Christian Church, 2400 Union Ave.

"In Memoriam" – music from Mozart, Brahms, Fauré and Rutter requiems
Instrumental music by Elgar, Barber
Free concert, church is handicap accessible and offers a staffed nursery

September 25, 2011 – 3 PM – Lindenwood Christian Church, 2400 Union Ave.

The Eroica Ensemble, Michael Gilbert, *conductor*
Featuring Joy Brown Wiener, former concertmaster of Memphis Symphony
Free concert, church is handicap accessible and offers a staffed nursery

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Name That Tune

Summer 2011 winners were *Marc Cerisier* and *Dennis Janzer*. Test your musical genius on the following excerpts. First one to answer correctly by email will receive a complimentary dinner to a meeting of their choice. You must name the piece and the composer correctly. Remember: correct title and composer's full name. Submit your entries to David Caudill, Newsletter Editor, daldertoncaudill@gmail.com, Subject Line: Name That Tune. Winner will be notified by email and listed in the October 2011 issue.

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(Finally lift Primo player's hand and put it down on "B")

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Pedal 4 Fuss

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