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Newsletter of the Greater Kansas City Chapter – AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

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FROM THE DEAN

Chapter members,

As we all settle ourselves into unusual standards of behavior during this pandemic our chapter is following suit. Our August event was held live and was streamed, our September event was virtual only and our upcoming October and November programs will be held live. That is quite an assortment! And we are thankful to be flexible and to utilize our technology options. Thank you for all you do to support our chapter and our events.

There is lots of information in this newsletter about our chapter programs, board and member news, and much more. I do hope to see many of you soon at one of our live chapter events. Be safe. Wear a facemask. Vote.

Mike

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to our new chapter members! We hope to engage with you soon at a chapter event.

Ilga Higbee ilgaedite@gmail.com

CALENDAR REMINDERS:

Monday, October 19, 2020

7:30 PM Adam Pajan in Recital
Grand Avenue Temple, KC MO

Monday, November 16, 2020

7:30 PM Members' Recital—
(Schola Cancelled)
Visitation Catholic Church, KC MO

Monday, January 18, 2021

7:30 PM Organ Music Reading Session
Episc. Church of the Resurrection, Blue Springs MO

Sunday, February 14, 2021

4:00 PM David Briggs in Recital - Great Spaces
Grace Episcopal Cathedral, Topeka KS

Sunday, March 21, 2021

2:00 - 6:00 PM Pedals, Pipes and Pizza
Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, KCMO

Monday, April 19, 2021

7:30 PM Reuter in Recital
St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Olathe KS

Sunday, May 2, 2021

2:00 - 6:00 PM Bachathon XLII
Village Presbyterian Church, PV KS

Monday, May 17, 2021

7:30 PM Jacob Hofeling - German Romantics
Atonement Lutheran Church, OP KS

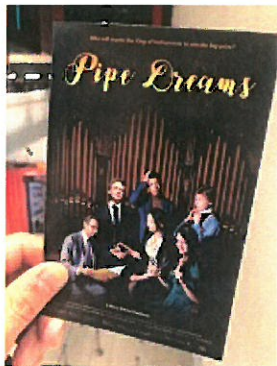
Monday, June 7, 2021

6:00 PM Chapter Potluck
Liberty Christian Church, Liberty, MO

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

I hope you were able to join our virtual chapter meeting and program on September 21 where we enjoyed *Pipe Dreams – The Documentary*. I really appreciate what Stacey Tennenbaum has created with this movie, and I hope you were able to enjoy it also. Many thanks to Alcee for sharing with us, to Adam for joining us, to Dan Madura for running the Zoom and playing the movie, to Lara and Rosi for assisting with Zoom setup for our members and to all who joined with us. I hope we won't have to hold too many virtual meetings, but it is great to know that we have the option as needed.

Thanks,
Mike



Performer's CD: ***Romantic Resonance***

Adam Pajan plans to bring copies of his CD to sell at his program this month. *Romantic Resonance* was recorded on the Kegg pipe organ at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist, Canton, OH in 2018. This is an incredible recording. The American Record Guide hailed the program as "played in its kaleidoscopic glory by a superb organist." If you don't yet have a copy of this recording they will be available at the October chapter program; \$15 cash, check, PayPal or Venmo.

OCTOBER PROGRAM

Adam Pajan in Recital

Monday, October 19, 2020 7:30 PM

Grand Avenue Temple

205 East 9th St. Kansas City, MO 64106



For our October program we will hold it live with dinner, meeting, and program. See dinner reservations on next page. **Social distancing guidelines will be enforced during this event.**

- Masks are worn and can be removed to eat, drink or while sitting in a pew
- Seating will be spaced to allow distance between attendees for dinner and the program
- Food and beverages will be served by gloved, masked servers
- Printed programs will be placed in the pews to indicate preferred seating locations

For our program that night we will enjoy the very talented organist Adam Pajan from Norman, OK. One can find many details about Adam on his website adampajan.com.

PROGRAM

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| ~ <i>Marche Triomphale</i> Walter | Galpin Alcock |
| ~ <i>Adagio and Allegro in F-minor</i> , K. 594 | W. A. Mozart |
| ~ <i>Preludes for Piano</i> George Gershwin, trans. Adam Pajan | |
| I. <i>Allegro ben ritmato e deciso</i> | |
| II. <i>Andante con moto e poco rubato</i> | |
| III. <i>Allegro ben ritmato e deciso</i> | |
| ~ <i>Sonata I in F-minor</i> , Op. 65, No. 1 | Felix Mendelssohn |
| I. <i>Allegro moderato e serioso</i> | |
| II. <i>Adagio</i> | |
| III. <i>Andante recitativo</i> | |
| IV. <i>Allegro assai vivace</i> | |
| ~ <i>Rhapsody</i> , Op. 17, No. 1 | Herbert Howells |
| ~ <i>Rhapsody</i> , Op. 38 | |

OCTOBER MEETING & DINNER BEFORE THE PROGRAM

Grand Avenue Temple, 205 E. 9th St., KC, MO
Street parking is available for the event, as well as in
the Federal Courthouse lot across 9th St, northeast of
the Temple at 9th and McGee. A security guard will
be on duty at the main entrance to the church. We are
exploring options for a Livestream of this event
with more to come for that.

No Punch Bowl
Dinner at 6:15 pm
Catered by Sugar & Spice

Dinner Menu
Meat Lasagna
Mixed Green Salad
Garlic Bread
Assorted Desserts
Water, Iced Tea, Coffee
Cost: \$12/person

Please call Nancy Ramirez at 816-436-9467 or email
reservation@kcago.com by 9:00 pm Wednesday, Oct
14. Nancy will confirm your e-mail reservations.
Please call if you don't get a confirmation. Remember,
if you have a reservation (permanent or one-
time) and miss dinner, you are still obligated to pay
for your meal if you have not cancelled by Monday,
Oct 19.

In an effort to help our caterer, and encourage time-
ly reservations, the price for **unreserved** dinners will
be \$17. If you reserve your meal in advance, the
price remains the same at \$12.

*** Covid-19 Safety Information ***

Our caterer will be following all recommended pre-
cautions, including gloves and facemasks. We will
pass in front of a buffet table, while her servers fill
each plate behind the food warmers. One of her
servers will also hand us our chosen beverage. We
will wear our masks throughout until we are seated
with our food. We will social distance at the tables.
Hand sanitizer and masks will be available. Please
call Nancy Ramirez at 816-346-9467 if you have any
questions.

NOVEMBER PROGRAM

Members in Recital
Monday, November 16, 2020 - 7:30 PM
Visitation Catholic Church
5141 Main St.
Kansas City, MO 64112

Our chapter program for November this year will
be a members' recital at Visitation Catholic
Church. We will only be able to use the sanctuary
for this event so we will hold our meeting and
program there, with no dinner. Social distancing
guidelines will again be enforced.

Alejandro Manso, Director of Music & Liturgy
at Visitation, is excited to showcase their organ
that is recently refurbished. And he will provide
rehearsal opportunities the week prior to this
event for our members that volunteer to
participate.

If you would like to be involved with this program
please send an email to dean@kcago.com. There
is no planned theme for this program so any of
your favorite pieces is welcomed.

NEXT CHAPTER BOARD MEETING

Our next board meeting is scheduled for Saturday
October 10 at 10:30 am. This meeting will again
be held using Zoom. We will send out an email
closer to that day with Zoom details. From
discussions with the Executive committee we will
continue using Zoom for the November 14
meeting also. See you on Zoom!

FROM THE CHAPTER REGISTRAR

HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP?

Our many thanks to all of you who have renewed your memberships! These are trying times, and for some they can be very difficult. We appreciate your staying with us, and we hope in the months ahead to again see you at one of our programs. Mike Maiden and his team have put together some very fine concerts and events for us. The September program event with Alcee Chriss, the competition winner, joining us online was a wonderful addition to the video presentation. I hope many of you were able to join in! Our chapter is so fortunate to have many contributing members which allows us to hold events that are above the norm of most chapters throughout the United States.

We currently have 149 chapter members. The largest group now is our Special members, over 65. I'm happy to report we have 12 Young Organists and 9 Chapter Friends. I know this is a smaller number than we have had in the past. I called the national AGO office and they reported that they are noting a reduction with other chapters also. The pandemic has created financial problems for many of our members throughout the country. I would like to again note that if you, or any of your organist acquaintances are experiencing difficulty with your membership dues to please let me know. Wishing you all the best, and the best of health!

Boyd Ahrens
Registrar

THE NEW ELECTRONIC 2020 MEMBER DIRECTORY IS HERE!

We have launched the electronic version of our GKCAGO chapter member directory. You can access the directory through your phone or your home computer. Details are listed above for getting the app on your phone.

You can also access the electronic version on your home computer. Just go [here](#) then click on the "Create Login" button below "First time signing in?" Use the email address that you have on file with OnCard.

We are still going to produce our traditional paper directory, which this year is going to be distributed in October by mail. Everyone will get a paper directory this year. Starting in 2021, you will have the option of opting out of the paper directory. One great thing about the electronic directory is that it is updated monthly. The paper directory is only updated yearly. Updates to the directory can be submitted through the national AGO OnCard system, the app, or by emailing or writing me.

Pictures Needed!

Our goal is to get everyone's picture in the new electronic directory. You can submit your picture directly through the app or desktop version or you can email it to me. Don't have an electronic version to send? No problem. Call or email me and I can arrange for you to mail it to me. I have a scanner!

Dan Madura
Directory Chair
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PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT CORNER

Continuing a review of "Lessons for The New Organist" under education at agohq.org, Lesson 8 is entitled "Registrations for Contemplative and Jubilant Hymns". Fred Hohman states that the organ should be supportive of but not overwhelm congregational singing. He demonstrates combinations of stops that span all divisions of the organ. He notes that contemplative hymns should be prayer like, and need less support. He discussed adding stops gradually and notes that 4" stops are wonderful for leading singers because the ear can really hear those pitches.

The next Master Series is Fred Swann, discussing his career at Riverside Church and then the Crystal Cathedral in California. The choir there and Fred had to memorize all the music for television, and interestingly, many in that choir couldn't even read music, but learned it by repeatedly listening to a recording of their part.

Also while at the website check out the wonderful upcoming webinars available, including "AGO Organ Webinars on Teaching" Mondays at 4 PM on Zoom. Happy Learning!

Dan Cline
Personal Development Chair

CERTIFICATION CORNER

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, many of us are recording more music than we were in pre-pandemic times. This may be a good time to consider earning AGO Certification by completing a recorded examination! Applications for the Service Playing Certificate test are now available from AGO Headquarters, and may be submitted any time between now and February 1, 2021. Examination requirements are listed in the July TAO.

Sarah Lyons
Certification Chair

CHAPTER MEMBER NEWS

REGGIE WATKINS MEMORIAL DONATION

At the September meeting the chapter board approved to make a donation in memory of long-time chapter member Reggie Watkins. This donation will be directed to the food pantry ministries at Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church in Kansas City, Missouri. We hope this gift will memorialize Reggie and assist the communities he served.

OUR SYMPATHY TO LYNN BRATNEY

Our deepest sympathy to chapter member Lynn Bratney on the loss of her father. May God grant him eternal rest and peace to you and your family during this difficult time.

From all your friends in the GKAGO

CONGRATULATIONS DEBBIE WINTER!

Join with us to congratulate chapter member Debbie Winter for 25 years of service as organist and choir accompanist at St. Mark's UMC in Overland Park. The church celebrated her years of service with a special Sunday service celebration in late September that included an organ piece that was commissioned from a well-known composer, and arranged in Debbie's honor. The intention at St. Mark's is that this special commission honored Debbie's years of service, her faith-filled example of following Jesus, and her joyful involvement in all aspects of life at St. Mark's UMC. Following that service the celebration continued with a picnic at Antioch Park. Congratulations Debbie! May the Lord continue to bless your service at St. Mark's.

From all your friends in the GKAGO

BEST WISHES TO SALLY LIVENGOOD

Long-time chapter member Sally Livengood is getting married and moving to Springfield, MO in October of this year. Sally has a rich history with our AGO chapter. She has been a member of our chapter for many years and has served the chapter as Dean, in various board positions and was involved with our conventions over the course of her tenure with the chapter. Sally is truly a blessing to our chapter. A big Thank You to Sally for all of the service to the chapter over the years. Best wishes to you, Sally, as you start this next phase or your life! May God bless you always.

From all your friends in the GKAGO

Newsletter Submissions:

Deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month for the next month's edition.

All submissions must be sent to the editor at bombarde@kicago.com.

No other email addresses, please.

SUBSTITUTES AVAILABLE

Substitutes listed are members of the local organ guild. The people who hold AGO certificates have passed requirements of the National American Guild of Organists for various levels of service playing and choral conducting. However, the GKCAGO is not an endorsement agency for service provided by the persons listed here. To learn proficiency of substitutes, feel free to ask them for references. Feedback regarding the hiring of GKCAGO substitutes is welcome and encouraged. Please send feedback to John Schaefer canonjohn40@gmail.com.

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Stephen Kucera, CAGO, BM	organ/piano/lit.	913-568-3873 skkansas@gmail.com
Linda Mann, BME, SPC (Weddings/Funerals only)	organ/piano	816-353-4826, c. 816-289-9760
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John Pitchford, MM, SPC	organ	913-663-3768 johnpitchford@kc.rr.com
John Schaefer, AAGO, Ch M	organ/piano/lit.	816-520-2084

SPC = service playing certificate | CAGO = Colleague certification | AAGO = Associate certification | FAGO = Fellow certification | org = organist | lit = liturgical worship | dir = choral director | piano = pianist

The following have various degrees in organ or church music at the college or post-graduate level:

Joyce Berg, MM	org	816-741-7388 joyberg74@gmail.com
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John Deahl, MM	org, dir, lit, bass soloist	785-250-4141 johndeahl@gmail.com
Stephanie Henry, DMA Choral	org, piano, dir, lts	816-678-6372 shenry24@kc.rr.com
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Nancy Stankiewicz, BA	org, lit	913-642-8642

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Boyd Ahrens	org, lit	816-453-8406 boydlee@aol.com
Betty Bauer	org, lit	913-814-9021 hababab@earthlink.net
Doris Daniels	org, lit	816-431-3244
Phillip Grubbs	org	816-721-2325 pgrubbs@embassylandscape.com
Edward Poston, KU Student	org	edward.rposton@gmail.com
Marilyn VanderLinden	org, lit	816-665-4441
Margaret Werth	org	785-478-0256

org = organist | lit = liturgical worship | dir = choral director | piano = pianist | lts = long-term sub

JOB PLACEMENT LISTINGS

Placement Coordinator: John Schaefer canonjohn40@gmail.com.

EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONCERT

HANDING OVER THE KEYS: ORGAN AND PIANO CONCERT FEATURING THE NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MATT WINTERHALTER

Sunday October 4 at 7:00 pm and Sunday October 11 at 7:00 pm

You are asked to register in advance. Pews will be marked for spaced seating and masks will be required throughout.

Concert will also be livestreamed on their website stjoeshawnee.org or on the St. Joseph Facebook page at [facebook.com/stjoeshawnee](https://www.facebook.com/stjoeshawnee)

Signup for concert attendance: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054bada92fa6fa7-handing>

Church address:

St. Joseph Church

11311 Johnson Dr.

Shawnee, KS 66203

VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT PROPOSAL

GKCAGO chapter members - I invite you to be a part of an exciting project proposed by my good friend, Dr. Matthew Thompson, who is the Director of Music at my church, Country Club Christian, and a new chapter member. Matt's idea is to assemble a virtual Christmas concert featuring Kansas City's organs and organists. It would feature a wide selection of music, instruments and artists. Matt has experience and success in projects such as this. Please let me know of your interest in this project using johntrawolla@gmail.com. I hope to hear from many of you.

John Trawolla