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LETTER FROM YOUR DEAN

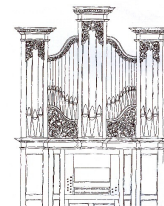
Dear AGO Friends,

This is not the letter I anticipated writing this month. But times are changing!

Our Lenten Recital Series began very strongly with a program commemorating the dedicatory recitals which were played for the installation of the Brombaugh organ at Episcopal Church of the Resurrection 15 years ago. Mike Reiter performed works by David Dahl, who played one of the dedicatory concerts. Brad Schultz performed early Italian works which had been played by Liewe Tamminga in the dedicatory recital he and Marc VanScheeuwijck presented. Barbara Baird played solo organ repertoire and an organ 4 hand duet with Brad Schultz, which she had played with Julia Brown in a dedicatory recital. There was an enthusiastic audience for this celebration of the 15th anniversary of the Brombaugh instrument.

The second Lenten Recital was presented by Christopher Glenn, a former organist of Eugene First Christian, who moved to Seattle and now resides in Roseburg. Christopher's concert of Lenten music was beautifully performed and demonstrated the wonderful variety of repertoire the instrument is capable of handling. Samuel Kalcheim presented the third concert of the series, including the premier performance of works by Susanna Payne-Passmore, and several well-known and loved works transcribed for organ by Samuel, as well as other composers. The remaining 3 Lenten Recitals were unfortunately cancelled due to concerns about the Covid-19 virus.

Our new normal now finds us sheltering in our homes, church services cancelled, concerts postponed or cancelled, and much of our lives on hold. Our American Guild of Organists community is not meeting face to face, but the Board of the Eugene Chapter met via Zoom. We want to be there as a resource and support to our members.



DEAN'S LETTER, CON'TD

AGO Headquarters is still up and running, operating remotely. No postal mail is being delivered there, so everything must be done online. At this moment, the POE+ in Pennsylvania scheduled for this summer has been cancelled. All other POE's are still ON. The 2020 National AGO Convention is still ON.

The AGO membership grace period has been extended from 2 to 3 months, meaning that if your membership is up for renewal, you'll have 3 months to pay your dues before you are dropped from the membership rolls.

The national AGO has posted resources for those experiencing financial need due to the Covid-19 virus on their website. Information about the most recent stimulus bill enacted by US Congress (which includes stimulus funds for church musicians) can be found on the AGO website:

<https://www.agohq.org/covid-19-and-organists-q-a/>

Now is the time to vote for national AGO officers. You should have received an e-mail with your link to vote online. Please cast your ballot before April 30.

Be well.

Barbara Baird, Dean

AGO EUGENE CHAPTER

2019 -2020 Schedule

Chapter events cancelled or postponed until further notice.

UPCOMING LOCAL CONCERTS

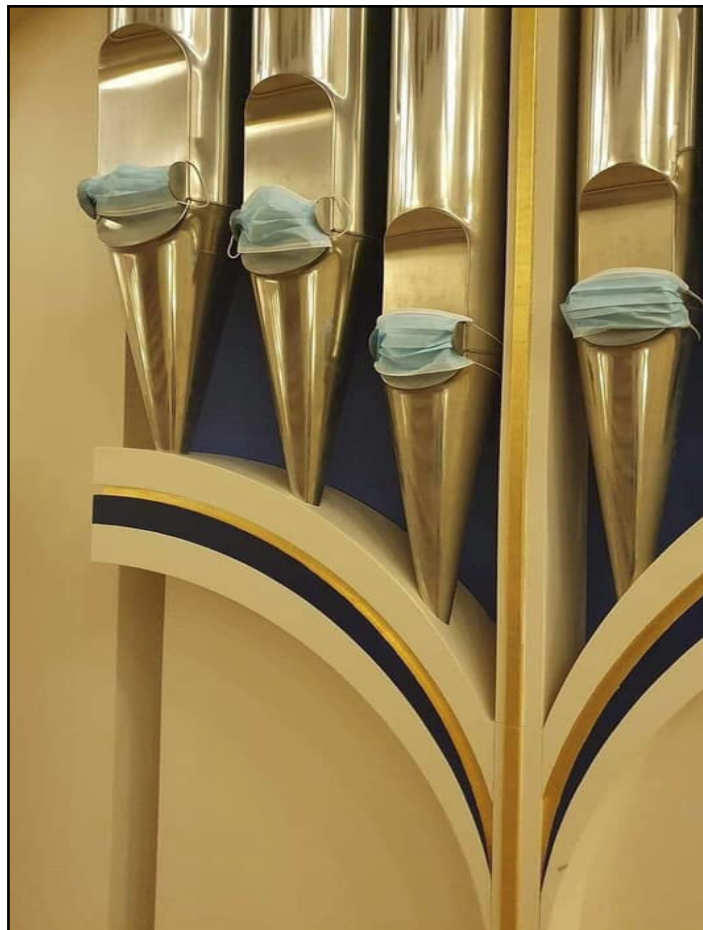
Local concerts suspended during shelter in place.

PIPE DREAMS ON KWAX-FM

Michael Barone, host of Pipe Dreams is heard on KWAX-FM on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. and at 8 pm. This program's presentation on KWAX-FM is underwritten by the Eugene Chapter of the AGO. The program can also be heard anytime streaming on the world-wide web. More details at: www.pipedreams.publicradio.org.

WITH HEART AND VOICE

With Heart and Voice is a radio program that spans the full range of Western classical music from the Gothic period through the 21st century. There are occasional surprises from the non-western tradition. The program is hosted by Peter DuBois, an active organist who teaches at the Eastman School of Music. This program originates from Rochester, New York, and is broadcast Sundays, 11 am and 7 pm on KWAX-FM.



ONCARD MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Membership renewal reminders have been e-mailed from our national office in New York. Check your e-mail for the letter in case you missed it. The procedure for payment is clearly explained in the e-mail. Payment can be made by credit or debit card online. If you have questions, or need assistance, you can call (212) 870 - 2310 and they will help you with the process.

If you are more comfortable sending a check, it can be sent by mail to:
 American Guild of Organists
 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1260
 New York, NY 10115

Please note that the check should be made out to the American Guild of Organists, NOT the Eugene Chapter.

Current member categories are: Regular Member (\$105), Young Organists (\$50), Special, 65 and older (\$80). Chapter Friends are \$35. All members receive The American Organist magazine by default. If you wish to opt out of receiving the paper copy by mail, you can do so by indicating ... and save \$8. The magazine can be read on-line at: <https://www.agohq.org/current-issue/>



The Organ Loft is a radio program about choral and organ music, particularly music of the Pacific Northwest. The program is hosted by Roger Sherman,

the Associate Organist of St. Mark's Cathedral in Seattle. The Organ Loft features music of Pacific Northwest choirs, organs, composers and organ builders. The programming is half organ, and half choral music.

This program is underwritten and sponsored by your Eugene AGO Chapter on KWAX-FM and the University of Oregon radio network (webcast: KWAX-FM Homepage) on Sundays at 6 PM.

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 Florence, 91.5 KWVZ-FM Canyonville, 92.3 KWRZ-FM

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Newport 91.3	Reedsport 90.9	Salem 92.9
Sunriver 90.9	Sutherlin-Oakland 107.1	Roseburg 97.9
		Glide 105.3