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Mission Statement

- To promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles
- To encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music
- To provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of members

Lancaster Chapter of the American Guild of Organists invites you to join us in sharing sessions, an address by our National President, lunch and an organ concert.

Saturday, October 17, 2009
St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10 Delp Road,
Lancaster, PA 17601



Schedule of Events:

8:30 — 9 AM Registration

9—10 AM Workshop and Sharing Sessions

A. Choosing Meeting Topics — Pat Bleecker and John Huber (Lancaster)

B. Treasurer's Forum — Michael Krentz (Lehigh)

C. Newsletter Sharing — Tom Hotenstine (Harrisburg)

D. Growing the Membership — Joe Lewis (Philadelphia)

E. Copyright and Grievance Issues — Jane Errera (Regional Councillor for Region III)

10 — 10:30 Refreshments in Sanctuary Lobby

10:30 — 11:45 Address by Dr. Eileen Guenther, National President, AGO

Hospitality: Adding Leaves to the Guild's Table - exploring ways to increase participation on the part of chapter members and broaden the Guild's impact on our communities.

Address followed by Question and Answer period

12 — 1 PM Catered lunch in the Family Life Center

Comments from Dr. Shirley King (Harrisburg) about plans for the Region III convention 2011 in Harrisburg/Hershey/York area.

1:15 — 2 PM Organ concert in the sanctuary

Performers are members from the Lehigh, Lancaster, Harrisburg, Reading and York Chapters

Registration Details:

Send a check for \$12 (covers lunch and refreshments) to **Carl Tobias, Lancaster Chapter AGO Treasurer, 26 E. Swartzville Road, Denver, PA 17517-9120** with your name and address OR email him at ultracar77@aol.com to make reservation for the day. Please respond no later than **Saturday, October 10**, so that we have an accurate lunch count.

[There is a reservation form on page 7](#)

DEAN'S LETTER

October 2009

Thanks to Byron Daudelin and Rodney Barnett for opening up their homes to let the York Chapter members hold our first event, "Organ and Hors 'd'oeuvres". Those who attended enjoyed plenty of hospitality, good food, wine, and organ music? The chapter netted over \$60 from the sale of our used organ music. We still have 3 boxes of music available for sale!

I am in a different situation now. For the first time in many years, I'm not at church on Saturday evening doing final preparations for playing on Sunday morning. After 12 years as organist and choirmaster at Trinity United Church of Christ, I hung up my organ shoes on Sunday, September 6, (OK, not literally.) The tenure was good and rewarding for most of those years, but it was time to let go. The church was headed in a very different direction theologically, liturgically and musically speaking. I was not willing to compromise my integrity as a musician. I would have recommended that the leadership of Trinity Church read theologian Marva Dawn's powerful book "Reaching out without dumbing down".

As the Bible states in Matthew 7:15, "Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves. Could it be the church has not only lost its ability to discern the truth from error but also to discern wolves from sheep? I encourage you to be mindful of your dealings with your church leaders, ministers and authorities.



For now, I'm looking forward to a little freedom on Sundays, visiting other churches, and possibly subbing occasionally.

Victor Fields, Dean
Soli Deo Gloria!

USED MUSIC SALE

If you missed the organ crawl and used organ music sale for September and would like an opportunity to check out the unsold copies, contact me to set up a time to come over and try them out on my pipe organ. All collections and individual copies are only \$1 each and proceeds benefit the Keys for Kids Fund.

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2009-2010 Programs

Your AGO Board has been hard at work over the summer, lining up an exceptionally well-balanced program for this upcoming year. Note that we are offering most of these on Saturday mornings, in hopes that you will find it more convenient. (Note that Union Lutheran is even offering breakfast!)

Please mark your calendars now and take advantage of these fine professional development programs!

Please also send/email your reservation forms on [page 7](#)

When	Time	Program	Location
Saturday, October 17, 2009	9AM-4PM	Lancaster Workshops Dr. Eileen Guenther Organ Concert More details page 1	St. Peters's Lutheran Church 10 Delp Road, Lancaster (car pooling)
Sunday, November 15, 2009	3PM	Peter Richard Conte in concert	Union Lutheran Church 408 W. Market St., York
December 2009		No Meeting	
Saturday, January 16, 2010	7AM-6PM	January Jumpstart (Registration free to members)	Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, Bryn Mawr (car pooling)
Saturday, February 13, 2010	10:00AM	Vocal Techniques for Older Voices Susan Hochmiller	To be determined
Saturday, March 13, 2010	8:45-9:30 Breakfast 9:30-11:00 Program	Hymn Playing Techniques & "Show Stoppers"	Union Lutheran Church 408 W. Market St., York
Saturday, April 17, 2010	9:00-Noon	Pedals, Pipes & Pizza	Downtown York churches (+Capitol Mon. April 12, 7:30pm)
Sunday, May 16, 2010	3PM	Student/Member recital	Zion United Methodist Church 1030 Carlisle Road, York
>>> 2010 <<< Our 75th Anniversary Year!			
Saturday, September 18 or Saturday, October 16, 2010		NYC organ crawl?	
Sunday, November 7, 2010	3:00PM	Paul Jacobs	Union Lutheran Church 408 W. Market St., York
June 27-30 2011		AGO Regional Convention	Harrisburg

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

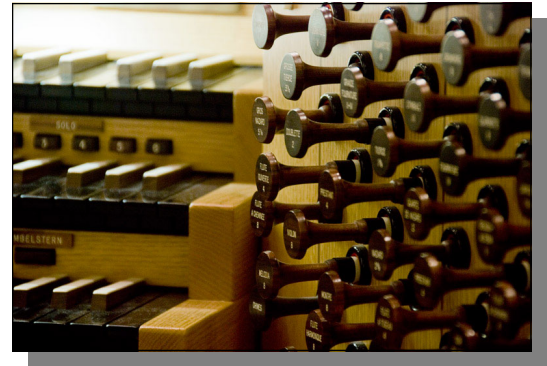
Trinity Lutheran Church, Taneytown is seeking an Organist to play for a well established music ministry that includes traditional and contemporary services. This ministry could be performed by one or two part-time people. The successful candidate(s) will fit well within the congregation's leadership team, demonstrate strong faith, have the ability to work well with musicians of all ages and abilities, have good organizational skills, be proficient on the historic Felgemacher tracker organ in our sanctuary, the Allen organ in our chapel, and the Clavinova for our Contemporary services. Salary and benefits will be based on education and performance experience. Please send cover letter and resume to our committee chairman, ednull@cen3.com.

St. John's U.C.C. Chambersburg seeks a part-time (30hr) Director of Music to lead a dynamic program of music activities. The successful candidate will be adept in traditional and contemporary worship, relate to a variety of ages, able to work in a team, possess the ability to grow our music program, and sees music in the life of the church as an act of worship. A music related degree is required as well as organ and keyboard expertise. Send resume to: Director of Music Search Committee: c/o St. John's UCC 1811 Lincoln Way East, Chambersburg, PA 17202 or email to office@stjohnschambersburg.org

SUBSTITUTE LIST

*This list is published as a courtesy to chapter membership.
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current rate available on the AGO national website.
www.agohq.org/profession/indexsalary*

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EVENTS CALENDAR

Friday, October 16- Sunday October 18	Lebanon Reed & pipe organ concerts	See details on page 13
Friday October 16, 7:00 PM	Olivier Latory - Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris	Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut St., Camp Hill 717-737-8635 www.trinitycamphill.org Free admission Details on Page 9
Saturday, October 17	Peter Miller	Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Camp Hill
Saturday, October 17	October AGO Meeting with Lancaster AGO Chapter & Dr. Eileen Guenther	St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Lancaster See more details on page 11
Sunday, October 18 3:00pm	Peter Miller	St. John Lutheran Church, York
Nov. 7 7:00 PM	Burton Tidwell	First Presbyterian Church, York - As the builder of the newly renovated organ at First Presbyterian Church, Burton Tidwell knows this organ, literally, inside and out, and will perform at the console of the FPC organ.
Nov. 15 3:00 PM	Peter Richard Conte	Union Evangelical Lutheran Church 408 West Market St. York More details on Page 8
Nov. 29 7:00 PM	Carlo Curly	First Presbyterian Church, York - Acclaimed as <i>The Pavarotti of the Organ</i> by the press, Carlo is reputed to be one of the most prolific of all classical players, performing scores of recitals and concerts year in and year out.
Jan. 9, 2010 (snow date: Jan. 17) 7:00 PM	Jazz Vespers	First Presbyterian Church, York - The twelfth annual concert honoring Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., directed by Jeff Stabley and featuring The Bible Tabernacle Voices For Christ, Diane Wilson, and an internationally acclaimed jazz ensemble.
Feb. 13, 2010 7:00 PM	Sabrina Coleman Clark	First Presbyterian Church, York - <i>Legacy of Hope: The Marian Anderson Story</i> This exceptional program, brought to life by Sabrina Coleman Clark, is sure to thrill and inspire audiences young and old.
March 14, 2010 7:00 PM	Presbybop	First Presbyterian Church, York - Bill Carter and the Presbybop Quartet with Warren Cooper is based in northeastern Pennsylvania, and have presented concerts and jazz worship services in churches around the country, integrating Bill's strong Presbyterian faith with the rhythms of bebop.
Sunday April 11, 2010 4:00 PM	Ken Cowan	Camp Hill Presbyterian
April 16, 2010 6:00 PM	Cabaret Night	First Presbyterian Church, York - This year, Cabaret Night will travel to Germany, exploring the rich heritage of German composers and cuisine. This is the only fund raiser of the season - seating will be limited, so order your tickets early.

October 17 Lancaster Workshop/Concert Reservation form:
Please mail this to Victor Fields, Dean, PO Box 51, York PA 17405
Or email to: YorkAGODean@aol.com [agoyork@comcast.net]

>>>DEADLINE IS October 10, 2009

- I will attend the October 17 Meeting in Lancaster.
- Please arrange car pool for me.

Your name: _____

Peter Richard Conte Concert

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 Union Evangelical Lutheran Church
 408 Market Street
 York, PA 17401

Dear Friend,

You are cordially invited to attend and enjoy an ORGAN CONCERT by renowned Wanamaker Organist, PETER RICHARD CONTE, to be presented by Union Lutheran Church on Sunday afternoon, November 15, 2009 at 3 p.m.

Mr. Conte will present a program of works by César Franck, Alexander Guilmant, Louis Vierne, and Robert Elmore. Included will be transcriptions by Conte on compositions by J. S. Bach, Leonard Bernstein, Fritz Kreisler, Johann Ernst and Johannes Brahms.

Peter Richard Conte has performed in concert halls and churches across the United States and can be heard regularly as Grand Court Organist on the world-famous Wanamaker Organ at the Macy's Store in Philadelphia. Mr. Conte performs hundreds of recitals each year on the Grand Court's six-manual, 30,000-pipe organ, and maintains an active recital schedule throughout the Delaware Valley and the entire United States. His transcriptions of recognizable favorite pieces, many of which he has arranged himself, offer appeal to the general concert audience, and not just other organists and organ buffs.

There will no admission charge to the concert, but a freewill offering will be taken. Everyone is welcome and a reception will follow the concert with the opportunity to greet Mr. Conte.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Noel

Director of Music
 Union Lutheran Church
 408 W. Market Street
 York, PA 17401
 717-843-7897

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Peter Richard Conte
concert organist

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“Standing ovation? Better call it a flying ovation.” *(The Santa Fe New Mexican)*

Peter Richard Conte, Organist
 Sunday, November 15, 2009, 3:00 P.M.
 UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH
 408 W. Market Street, York, PA 17401

Olivier Latry Concert

The 2009/2010 Concert Series of Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut St., Camp Hill continues on Friday evening, Oct. 16 at 7PM with a concert by organist Olivier Latry.

Latry, organist of Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, is one of the world's most distinguished organists, not only in France, but in the international community as well. He was born in 1962 in Boulogne-sur-Mer, France, and began his study of piano at age 7 and his study of the organ at age 12; he later attended the Academy of Music at St. Maur-des-Fossés, studying organ with Gaston Litaize. From 1981 until 1985 Olivier Latry was organist of Meaux Cathedral, and at age 23 he won a competition to become one of the three organists of Notre Dame in Paris. From 1990 until 1995 he taught organ at the Academy of Music at St. Maur-des-Fossés, where he succeeded his teacher, Gaston Litaize. Since 1995 he has taught at the Paris Conservatory.



Not wishing to specialize in a particular repertoire, Olivier Latry would like to be an ambassador of seventeenth to twenty-first century French organ music, hence his equal devotion to the art of improvisation. Today he is counted among the most noted "improvisateurs" in the exceptional French tradition from Charles Tournemire to Pierre Cochereau.

He has performed in more than forty countries on five continents, appearing most often in the United States. In 2005, Mr. Latry played a solo recital at Walt Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles and opened the new Rieger organ at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church in Pennsylvania. In 2006, he was the featured soloist for the opening of the new Dobson organ at Verizon Hall in Philadelphia where he performed for three sold out audiences in gala concerts with the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Olivier Latry and his wife Marie-Therese have three children and live in a little village outside Paris.

The concert is free. Call 737-8635 for directions.

Peter Miller Concerts

Organ recital at church, St. John Lutheran, York. The recital will take place on Sunday, October 18 at 3:00 in the afternoon. The recitalist is Peter Muller, an alumnus of the school and former member of St. John. There proceeds from the recital will go into the school fund. A free will offering will be taken and refreshments will be served.

Mr. Miller will also be giving a recital at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church with the proceeds going to a needy family. That recital will be Saturday evening, October 17.

Peter K. Miller, is a native of York, a 1973 alum of St. John Lutheran School, and a 1977 graduate of Wm. Penn Senior HS. Peter's degrees and applied organ instructors include - BS in Music Education, Indiana University of PA, 1981 (Carol Teti); MM in Voice Performance, Cleveland Institute of Music, 1983 (Adeline Huss); MM in Organ Performance, Cleveland Institute of Music, 1994 (Todd Wilson); DMA in Organ performance, University of Illinois, in progress (Dana Robinson). Since 2002, Peter has been a full time faculty member at Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, IN. He is Associate Professor of Voice, Collaborative Piano, and Humanities. His teaching responsibilities include applied voice lessons, vocal diction, vocal literature, vocal coaching, accompanying, and one section of music appreciation. In addition, He has conducted University Singers, performed a bassoon concerto with the orchestra and presents annual faculty recitals. Peter also serves as university organist.

Mendelssohn's "Elijah"

Dear AGO Member,

At the urging of John Walker, I am writing to let you know that Brown Memorial's extraordinary recent performance of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" has been released on CD. Recorded live on May 17, 2009, the performance was directed by John and featured the church's Chancel Choir. The renowned Frederick Swann served as guest organist.

This concert, the culminating event in Brown Memorial Park Avenue's 2008-09 Tiffany Series, garnered thunderous applause and pew-thumping from the 300-member audience and drew high accolades from a wide variety of sources.

"A superbly performed, memorable concert" – Eileen Guenther, President, American Guild of Organists.

"The soloists melted my heart with their musicianship" – Deborah Woods, organist and choir director

The 3-CD set is \$15. To order, please go to: www.browndowntown.org. For additional information, call 410-523-1542.

More responses to the concert:

"The soloists sang with extraordinary intelligence and artistry. The singers' strong sense of ensemble made this performance particularly memorable."

"Frederick Swann showed why his skill with accompaniment is legendary. It was as if he had extra-sensory perception, anticipating each singer's intention and providing a foundation from which he or she could soar."

Eileen Guenther: "I heard the rushing of the water and the flicker of the flames in the countless notes Frederick Swann played." She noted "the hundreds of piston changes it took to create various effects." Guenther, national President of the American Guild of Organists and Professor of Sacred Music at Wesley Seminary, asserted, "I have seldom been so struck by a total musical experience."

"[I want to especially acknowledge] John Walker's expert pacing and his ability to get highly nuanced emotional expression from his finely prepared choir."

"About twenty-five years ago I sang 'Elijah' with the Mendelssohn Choir under André Previn. John Shirley-Quirk was Elijah. In 2004 I sang 'Elijah' with the Choral Society of Durham under Rodney Wynkoop. Sanford Sylvan was Elijah. So when I tell you that Sunday's performance was the most totally fulfilling and satisfying 'Elijah' I've ever experienced, I want you to know that I've set the bar pretty high."

Choirs Wanted!



To All AGO Deans, Sub-Deans, and Newsletter Editors, Greetings:

Please help us publicize this opportunity by sharing the following announcement with your chapter membership.

ACDA EASTERN DIVISION PARTNERING WITH THE AGO FOR DIVISIONAL CONFERENCE

Breaking new ground, the American Guild of Organists (AGO) and the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) are working in cooperation to make the [ACDA Eastern Divisional Conference](#) in Philadelphia, February 11–13, 2010, a magnificent experience for both organizations. ACDA is extending its discounted ACDA member registration rate to AGO members attending the winter conference in Philadelphia. This will allow AGO members to attend the three-day conference while enjoying financial savings on registration rates.

Conference presenters will include Helmut Rilling, Helen Kemp, and ACDA Executive Director Timothy Sharp, along with the *Conspirare* choral ensemble from Austin, Tex., and choirs from Temple University and Westminster Choir College. Several honor choirs also will be performing.

Of particular interest to AGO members is the first-ever **United in Praise Festival Chorus**, which will draw its members from select church and synagogue choirs in the ACDA Eastern Division states (Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, Maine, Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and the District of Columbia). This 200-voice choir will be presented in worship at the United in Praise Interfaith Worship Service on Friday, February 12, at 5:00 p.m., at the First Baptist Church of Philadelphia. After a day of rehearsals with **Craig Courtney**, noted American composer of sacred music and editor for Beckenhurst Press, the chorus will be ready for a major role in the service.

AGO members are invited to recommend this opportunity to their choirs. There are high expectations for the singers; the music will be uplifting and of varying styles, satisfying the desire for quality and for inspiration. For more information, please visit the [ACDA Eastern Division Web site](#) and click on [United in Praise Festival Chorus](#). There you will find detailed information and application forms.

Please note: space is limited to 200 singers for the Festival Chorus. The postmark deadline for application is October 1, 2009.

For further information, please e-mail Ken Steele, Chairman, Music in Worship Repertoire and Standards, AC DA Eastern Division, at krsteele45@comcast.net with "Festival Chorus" in the subject line.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

AGO Committee on Professional Networking and Public Relations

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Organs & Hors D'oeuvres



*The 2009 Lebanon Reed Organ Gathering
Announces Public Concerts of Organ Music
...Reed and Pipe instruments*

Friday evening, October 16, 2009

4 p.m.

**Old Salem Lutheran Ch, (8th Street, Lebanon)
1888 Miller Pipe Organ (made in Lebanon)**

Mark Dimick, performer

7 p.m.

**Salem's Schmauck Memorial Chapel
1928 E. M. Skinner Pipe Organ**

Justin Hartz

John Weaver

Saturday afternoon, October 17, 2009

2 p.m.

**Old Zion Church, (Reifsnyder Road, Brickerville)
Estey reed instruments (2 manual and 1 manual)**

Pam Robinson

4 p.m.

**Albright Memorial Chapel, (Albright Road, Kleinfeltersville)
1900 Miller Chapel model organ,
Old Fashioned hymn sing**

Sunday morning and afternoon, October 18, 2009

9 a.m.

**Bindnagle Lutheran Church (Gravel Hill Rd.) Palmyra
Hemperly (made in Palmyra) reed instruments**

Marc Lubbers, organist and vocalist

3 p.m.

**St. Mark's United Church of Christ
(8th Street, Lebanon)**

**1892 Miller Chapel model reed organ
(built for Lebanon Moravian Church)**

2 manual Mason & Hamlin Liszt reed organ

Michael Hendron

The public is invited to attend all of the above public concerts. Admission for each is by free will donation at the door.

These concerts are part of the Reed Organ Gathering which include lectures on the Miller Organ Company, workshops on music, banquets, and a Saturday evening performance at the Historical Society. Registration forms (there is a \$90 registration cost for the entire three days) are available from Mark Herr (minstreL52@hotmail.com). Deadline is September 10, 2009.



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