

# ORGEL ZEIT

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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



## DEAN'S LETTER

Thanks to all who helped to make our Pedals, Pipes and Pizza a huge success! Children ages 7-14 plus several adults heard and played organs at the Heritage Trust Museum, Trinity United Church of Christ, the Capitol Theatre and Menchey Music Service, Inc. Several adults and lots of the kids enjoyed crawling through Trinity's organ to see all the various mechanisms that operate a tracker organ. The kids especially enjoyed testing out all the 'bells' and "whistles" on the Capitol Theatre Wurlitzer organ! Everyone enjoyed seeing and testing all the various electronic and digital organs at Menchey Music, while munching on lots of pizza as well as watching videos of virtuoso organist Cameron Carpenter.

I wish to thank Ruth Ann Burke for purchasing organ related gifts to give as prizes, to Matt Wensel and Michael Britt (from Baltimore) for their outstanding performances, to Carolyn Smith for working the registration table, escorting the attendees and for her photographic skills, to Joan Beekey and Rodney Barnett for arranging all the food and drink for everyone, to Matt Baldwin and Menchey Music for their hospitality in allowing us to use their facility, to Carol Brady for handling the bus transportation and finances and especially to Sam Groh, President of the Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society for arranging with the Strand-Capitol to allow the AGO to visit the Wurlitzer organ as their guests.

The day ended with discussion about offering scholarships and organs with our "Keys for KIDS" program followed by awarding prizes. I am happy to announce that we have one student who is receiving a scholarship. Evan Brickner, who is an 8<sup>th</sup> grader at West York Middle School, will receive 6 months of organ lessons. We are working to place a used organ in his home. Evan is excited about taking lessons. I hope this program will continue to encourage young students to take up the organ.

Please plan to attend our May 18<sup>th</sup> student/member organ recital beginning at 3:00pm at the Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist, 140 N. Beaver St. in downtown York. Organists playing range in age from 7-75! We hope you will come and support the Chapter for its last program for spring 2008.

*Victor Fields, Dean*



## *Events Calendar*



**Sunday, May 18, 2008, 3:00 pm**  
**Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist, 140 N. Beaver St.**  
Student/Member Recital  
Hunt scholarship competition

Member and Students performing:

Byron Daudelin, Todd Davis,  
Victor Fields, Christine Kates,  
Norman Selby, Matt Wensel

Students performing: Carter Ishler, Evan Brickner



**Sunday, May 18, 4:00 p.m.**

St. John Chrysostom Antiochian Orthodox Church, 2397 N. Sherman Street  
York Ecumenical Choral Society Spring Concert, conducted by Rodney Barnett,  
presents music by Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninoff, Casals, Mendelssohn, Reger, Mozart and more.  
Tickets are not required, free-will offering.

For more information please contact Rodney at 244-5020 or [rjbisb@comcast.net](mailto:rjbisb@comcast.net)



**Sunday, May 25, 3:00 p.m.**



The Music Outreach Committee of Trinity United Church of Christ, 32 West Market Street in downtown York PA, is poised to introduce to the greater York community a passionate and gifted organist, **Jerrod E. Coates**. Mr. Coates will perform on Trinity Church's tracker pipe organ at 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, May 25.

At the age of 15, Jerrod E. Coates, a native Baltimorean, studied with concert organist, Diane Bish. It was under her tutelage that he composed and arranged choral pieces and organ compositions. He later studied organ at the Peabody Conservatory of Music where he won first place in the J. Morris International Organist Competition, five years running. Mr. Coates has concertized extensively in Australia, France, Germany and Switzerland. In the United States he has performed at the Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church, the Crystal Cathedral, the National Cathedral and with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

Please join us to hear Mr. Coates' personal interpretations of both classical and popular music. The concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be taken. Parking is available in the West King Street Garage located directly behind the church. The garage is accessible from South George and West King Streets.

### Substitute List

This list is published as a courtesy to chapter membership. Substitutes should be compensated according to the current rate available on the AGO national website.

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### Positions Available

**Stewartstown Presbyterian Church** announces an immediate opening for the position of Church Organist. Duties include playing for one service per week plus additional special services throughout the year. For full information regarding job description, terms, and salary, please contact our church office via phone (717-993-6278) or email ([stpresby@verizon.net](mailto:stpresby@verizon.net)).

Organist/Choir Director needed for **Solomon's Lutheran Church** in the Chambersburg/Waynesboro area. For more complete information, e-mail Pastor Schoenly [padrerick@innernet.net](mailto:padrerick@innernet.net). Please submit resume with salary requirements to the Worship and Music Committee, Solomon's Lutheran Church, 4856 Wayne Road, Chambersburg, Pa. 17202.

The Village at Kelly Drive, 750 Kelly Drive, and The Village at York need organists to play at their Sunday afternoon services. We have a small existing base of regular organists, and there are also spots that need to be filled because of illnesses and other commitments. The service is at 1:45 at The Village of Sprenkle Drive, and at 3:00 at The Village at Kelly Drive. There is a Clavinova keyboard at the Sprenkle location, and an organ at the Kelly location. Hymns are out of the Lutheran Book of Worship and are given to organists in advance. We would greatly appreciate any time you could give. Please call Danita Hanna at 854-4313.

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