NEXT EVENT: Sunday, September 17 at 3:30 PM
724 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo
EVENSONG AT WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH and
AGO SERVICE OF COMMITMENT & INSTALLATION OF 2017-18 OFFICERS

Our new 2017-18 season opens with a half-hour Prelude Recital followed by Evensong, sung by the Westminster Presbyterian Church Choir — Garrett Martin, Organist and Director. Then an AGO Service of Commitment and Installation of 2017-18 Officers will be presented. A listing of the repertoire follows:

3:30 Prelude Recital — Garrett Martin, organ, and Käthe Wright Kaufman, organ
- Suite
- Intermezzo from Triptych
- Prelude from Twelve Organ Trios
- An Evocation of Urbs beata Jerusalem
- The Peace May Be Exchanged from Rubrics
- Carillon

4:00 Choral Evensong
- Eternal Light
- Phos Hilaron
- Preces and Responses
- Psalm 8 Fauxbourdons
- Evening Service in C
- I Thank You God for Most This Amazing Day

This will be a wonderful opportunity to see our AGO friends again and enjoy some beautiful choral and organ music... and we don’t have to play or direct... just relax and take it all in. Our thanks goes to Garrett Martin for all of his work and to his choir singers for their time and talent — making this a special AGO event.

A reception will follow — provided by the Westminster Friends of Music.

AGO BUFFALO NIAGARA 2019
You should have recently received, via email, a letter and form to fill out from John Novak, Convention Coordinator, about making a donation to the Steering Committee of the AGO Buffalo Niagara 2019 Convention. If you haven’t already done so, please consider making a tax deductible contribution to help support this very important event in the life of our chapter. If you can’t find the form that was included with the letter, you can send your contribution to: AGO Buffalo Niagara 2019, Attn: David Werth, Treasurer, 8321 Main Street, Williamsville, NY 14221. Include your name, address, phone, email address and indicate if your contribution is a gift in memory or honor of someone or the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Buffalo Chapter AGO, or anonymous. Please make your check payable to AGO Buffalo Niagara 2019. Those who contribute $100 or more will receive special recognition in the official program book for the convention and special recognition at the convention. However, gifts of any size will certainly be appreciated, and thank you for your support.
COMING EVENT

Our next event will be an Organ-Trumpet Duo — Jean-Baptiste Robin and Romain Leleu, Friday, October 27, 7:30 PM at First Presbyterian Church in Lockport. This event will be cosponsored by the Buffalo Chapter AGO and First Presbyterian Church. All of the details about this event will be in the October Bombarde.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting will be on October 27, 6:00 PM at First Presbyterian Church, Lockport — preceding the 7:30 Recital. Pizza will be served. PLEASE BE SURE to let Priscilla Wiedl know if you are unable to attend the meeting — 648-0408 / pwiedl@aol.com.

FROM THE DEAN . . . . Dear Friends –

As we approach a New Year, I cannot help but be amazed, once again, at the Calendar of Events for the coming year, thanks to Tim Socha and all those who were instrumental in shaping this year's events. I had originally expressed a desire for a very conservative schedule of events, but we have been blessed with some good fortune. There is something for just about everyone.

I would, however, like to point out some concerns which I hope you may address on a personal level. HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES? It is very important that you renew as soon as you possibly can, if it is your time to renew. [see next column]

Most of you have received a notification from the Convention Committee, appealing for your financial support. If you have not responded to this appeal, I ask that you respond, with a financial contribution, at whatever level you deem appropriate. If you have any questions, please contact John Novak, Convention Chair. I look forward to seeing you all soon.

– Ed Witul, Dean

DATE DOCKET . . . a listing of members events

All events are free unless otherwise note
Sunday, September 24, 3:00 PM at Our Lady of Pompeii Church, 158 Laverack Ave., Lancaster – The Church Musicians’ Guild sponsors a recital — organists Peter Gonciarz, Maria Chomicka, and Gail Shepherd will perform; the program will also feature works for piano, voice, guitar, and flute; free will offering; a reception will follow
Saturday, October 21, 7:30 PM at SS Peter & Paul RC Church, Main Street, Williamsville – Harmonia in concert
Orchard Park Presbyterian Church – Events:
Friday, September 29 at 7:30 – Lyra – Russian Orthodox Music
Friday, October 13 at 8:00 PM – Vocalis in concert
Westminster Presbyterian Church – Events:
Friday, September 29 at 7:30 – Staff Singer Concert
Sunday, October 1 at 4:00 PM – Blessing of the Animals
Sunday, October 15 at 4:00 PM – Vocalis in concert
Sunday, October 29 at 4:00 PM – Diane Bish Recital

LISTEN TO PIPEDREAMS
SUNDAY NIGHTS AT 9:00 PM
WNED-FM 94.5 / WNJA-FM 89.7

POSITIONS OPEN . . .

Note: Only churches providing F.I.C.A. and Workers’ Compensation as well as Unemployment and Disability Insurance are listed, and a written contract will be provided for all positions listed unless otherwise noted.

Previously Listed – Still Open
Organist: St. David's Episcopal Church, West Seneca: organist needed (to start as soon as possible) — to play one Sunday morning service and a few extra services during the year; No choir; Church has a 2-man, pipe organ that has recently been refurbished (mostly the console); No contract or extra benefits. Salary: pay per service plus travel. Contact Lynne at St. David's office (674-4670) or email: stdavidswny@gmail.com.

Organist-Director: Hamburg Presbyterian Church, Hamburg: one Sunday morning service, four extra services; weekly Adult, Children’s, and Bell choir rehearsals; staff meetings; 12 yr. old Allen organ; 2 weeks paid vacation, no other benefits; Salary: $20,000; contact Gary Lauchert at 983-6132 / 648-5647

Organist/Pianist: Salem United Church of Christ, Tonawanda: two Sunday morning services, nine extra services, accompany adult choir at Sunday rehearsal and services; quarterly staff meetings (extra as needed), church wants to develop contemporary worship with music; 50+ year old 2 manual Schlicker organ; Benefits: 4 weeks paid vacation; instead of Guidelines church has Suggestions that they follow; Salary: $11,000 – $12,700 [Evaluation = Good] Contact Patti Kidder, Music Committee Chair at cell: 716-984-7681 / home: 681-1514 / tom_patti27@yahoo.com

Organist-Director: Youngstown Presbyterian Church, Youngstown: two Sunday morning services (one July – August), four or five extra services, one concert per year, weekly staff meeting; weekly Adult, Children, and Bell choir rehearsals; two manual 1956 Tellers organ; 4 weeks paid vacation and continuing education funds; Salary: $18,000 – $22,000; contact Margot Walker, Personnel Committee Chair at mkw4840@gmail.com / 754-4699 or the church office at youngstownpres.org

PLEASE NOTE: For information about Roman Catholic Church positions please call Alan Lukas at 652-6565

IMPORTANT: You are reminded that listing of positions in this newsletter does not imply endorsement by the Buffalo Chapter A.G.O. or any of its committees. Appropriateness of a position must be judged by the applicant him/her self. For help with this, you may wish to contact the Placement Chair for additional information about a position and/or consult with a member who previously held the position. You are also reminded to be very cautious about accepting a position without a written contract.

MAY ELECTION

At the Annual Dinner, Meeting, and Election in May, Patrick Barrett and David Mathewson were elected to serve on the Executive Committee. Priscilla Wiedl is our new Secretary, and Jeanne Suski is a new Auditor

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL REMINDER

If you have renewed your membership for 2017 – 2018, thank you. If you last renewed or joined the AGO before July 1, 2017 it is long past time for you to renew in the June 2017 renewal time. You will need to go to: http://www.agohq.org/oncard-login/ and follow the instructions. You can join or renew any time now; and what ever month your renewal is in, your renewal date will be the first of that month the following year.

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