



THE CANTON CLARION

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The Official Newsletter of the Canton, Ohio Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

Notes from the Dean - The Canton AGO Celebrates 65 Years!

Anthony Montagno

Welcome back to this very special season of the Canton AGO as we celebrate 65 years of sharing knowledge and inspiring passion for the organ in the Canton and surrounding communities. To celebrate this milestone, the programming for this season will have a focus on highlighting outstanding local musicians and experiences. You will especially not want to miss our 65th anniversary celebration in March! So start digging out your old programs, photos, and stories to be included in the 65th anniversary event and display.



In addition to the talented local musicians that will be performing for us, this is a great season to share your musicianship, as there will be opportunities for members to perform in the January and February meetings. It's never too early to start thinking about repertoire for these events! Also, if you are a former dean of the Canton AGO, or would like to collaborate with a former dean, there will be a special opportunity to perform in the March Anniversary Meeting!

Lastly, we will experience a number of wonderful Northeast Ohio instruments both from our featured local organ builder, the Schantz Organ Company, as well as those on our 2nd bus trip to Cleveland. Stay tuned for more details!

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Saturday, September 28, 2019 - 10:00AM

Dual Program with Akron AGO
STORIES BEHIND THE MUSIC OF DAVID HURD
Trinity Lutheran Church
50 N Prospect St, Akron, OH 44304

There is no cost to attend the lecture workshop with David Hurd, however if you would like to participate in the luncheon coordinated by the Akron AGO, please click, or copy & paste, the following link to purchase and reserve your lunch reservation. New Yearbooks will be available to pick up at the luncheon. This is a great opportunity to get to know our fellow AGO neighbors. Please join us!

<https://akronago.org/hurd-luncheon>

Note: The Lunch reservation form will become active starting on September 13th!

David Hurd will also be presenting a concert at Trinity Lutheran Church in Akron the next day, **September 29th at 4pm.**

David Hurd is widely recognized as one of the foremost concert organists, sacred music composers, and church musicians in the United States, as well as for his innovative, enthralling, and ever-evolving improvisation abilities. Now Organist and Choirmaster of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in New York, he is a greatly sought-after composer of dozens of hymns, choral works, and organ works. He was named Composer of the Year in 2010 by the American Guild of Organists. A typical recital program by Dr. Hurd will feature works of Bach or Krebs, his own compositions, and a thrilling improvisation.



Saint Paul's Episcopal Church Welcomes Musician to Their Church Staff



The Vestry of Saint Paul's Episcopal Church in downtown Canton, Ohio, are pleased to announce the appointment of Mark Peterson to the position of Organist & Director of Music of the church, effective September 8, 2019. Mark Peterson, a resident of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, assumes this post having recently come to Ohio after 21 years in New York City. Educated in Iowa, Minnesota, and Great Britain, Mr. Peterson brings a great deal of experience to his post having served numerous denominations and several educational institutions. Most recently, Mr. Peterson was the Organist & Director of Music for The Church of Saint

Mary the Virgin, off Times Square in New York. While in that post, Mr. Peterson directed a fully professional choir, administered a concert series of some 40 events annually, and programmed 50 yearly organ recitals at the Church. Additionally, he served as host for international events presented by the White Lights Festival of Lincoln Center, among others. Mr. Peterson has appeared as recitalist, accompanist, adjudicator, choral clinician, and music consultant. An active member of the American Guild of Organists and a long-standing member of its Executive Board, Mr. Peterson assumes the musical position left vacant by William Kendrick and David Carnell, who have served the church as joint Organists & Music Directors since 2017. Mr. Kendrick took his first organ lesson in his youth at Saint Paul's Church and has been a pivotal element of the church's program at various points throughout his life. Messrs. Kendrick and Carnell were honored in a celebratory service at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 1.

Another Joint Chapter Opportunity

The Cleveland Chapter of the AGO invites the Canton AGO to be part of their October event at the Blackstone Residence and Organ in Bratenhal. A Halloween party is being planned from 3 – 6 PM on the afternoon of Sunday Oct. 27. Costume optional. This will also be an open console event so any member can have some time to play and explore the instrument. They are also looking for a few members who would be interested in presenting a preparing a selection. Halloween, All Saints or just outright fun or “spooky” selections would be welcome.

Contact Dale Hukill at dalekaren@sbcglobal.net or 216-310-8661 to attend or request to share a musical selection.

Remembering William G. “Bill” Holby



William G. “Bill” Holby, 97, passed away August 23, 2019 at Penacook Place in Haverhill.

“At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord of all.” Phil. 2:10-11

Born in Atlanta, GA, he was the son of the late Worrell H. and Irene E. (Tucker) Holby. Raised and educated in New Rochelle, NY, he attend U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point in New York and received a Bachelor’s Degree and a Master’s Degree from Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ. He earned the advanced degree in organ proficiency from the American Guild of Organists. Bill served his country honorably in the United States Navy, serving in the Pacific Theatre during World War II. At the age of 21, he saved the lives of men on his ship when it sunk. With his family, he lived in Canton, OH for 35 years. Bill moved to Palm Desert, CA where he lived for 14 years before moving to Bradford in 2014. He was a church organist and choir director in Kentucky, Michigan and Ohio, retiring at the age of 85. He became a

school teacher and also worked for many years in the home insulation business. H was well known for his handyman skills. Bill was a charitable man, volunteering for Habitat for Humanity. He gave many pints of blood to the Red Cross and at the end of his life donated his body to science.

Bill is survived by his children, Timothy T. Holby and Marilyn J. Ebinger; his three grandchildren, Joanne Consider, Christian Ebinger and Calvin Ebinger, one great grandchild, Beatrice Consider. He was predeceased by his first wife, Eleanor (Ross) Holby and his second wife, The Reverend Patricia (Wight) Holby and two brothers, Frank S. and Worrell Holby.

A memorial service will be held at a later date at Long Island, NH. Arrangements are by the Kevin B. Comeau Funeral Home, 486 Main Street, Haverhill. Donations may be made in his memory to King’s Point Merchant Marine Academy, 300 Steamboat Rd., Kings Point, NY 11024, Westminster Choir College, 101 Walnut Lane, Princeton, NJ 08540, Habitat for Humanity, 72680 Dinah Shore Dr., Palm Desert, CA 92211 or St. James Episcopal Church, 121 Washington St., Groveland, MA 01834.

This obituary was taken from Comeau Funeral Home. They may be visited on Facebook or at www.comeaufuneral.com. To find this listing, please search for “William Holby” on the funeral home webpage.

PROGRAMS 2019-2020

Saturday, September 28, 2019

Lecture/Workshop: Stories behind the music of David Hurd

10:00am Trinity Lutheran Church, Akron

Concert: Sunday, September 29th at 4:00pm

Dual program with the Canton/Akron Chapters

Monday, October 28, 2019

Tour of Schantz Organ Company

6:00pm dinner at Das Dutch Kitchen, Dalton

7:15pm tour Schantz Organ Company

Monday, November 18, 2019

Organist/Clergy Banquet at the Massillon Woman's Club

6:00 Punch

6:30pm - Dinner

7:30pm – Program Firestone High School Madrigal Singers

December - no meeting scheduled

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Monday, January 27, 2020

A Night with the Hammond Organ

7:00pm at Trinity UCC, Canton

W. Robert Morrison, Rock Wehrmann Jazz Organ trio, and members

Monday, February 17, 2020 - (President's Day)

Members' Recital at Grace Lutheran Church, Dover

7:30pm-Members perform on 3 manual 53 rank Kuhn organ

Sunday, March 15, 2020

65th Anniversary Celebration "Honoring the Past – Embracing the Future"

4:30pm dinner at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

6:00pm former Dean's recital

Followed by Levi Muriuki, organist of St. Tim's

Sunday, April 19, 2020

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Massillon

4:30pm organ recital by Chad Pittman

5:00pm Harp and Flute concert

Saturday, May 16, 2020

Organ Bus Tour to Cleveland- Part 2!

8:00am -bus pick up at Trinity UCC Parking Lot

Several Cleveland Churches (TBA)

LOCAL EVENTS



Tuscora Park Carousel Organ Restoration Project

Wednesday, Oct. 2
at 6:30pm

at the Tuscora Park Place Teen
Center

Charles Kegg of Kegg Organ
Company will share photos and
talk about the recent complete
restoration of the carousel's
Wurlitzer-style 153 band organ
at Tuscora Park.

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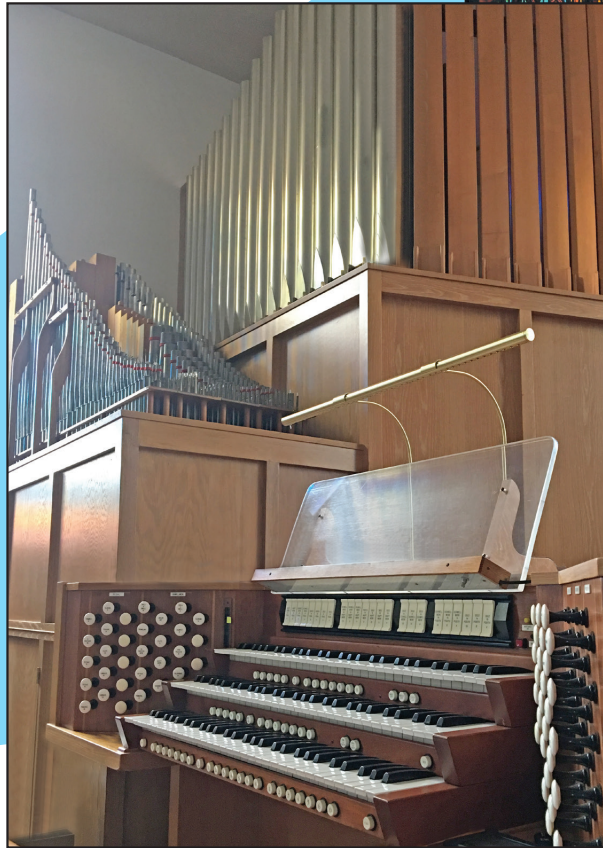
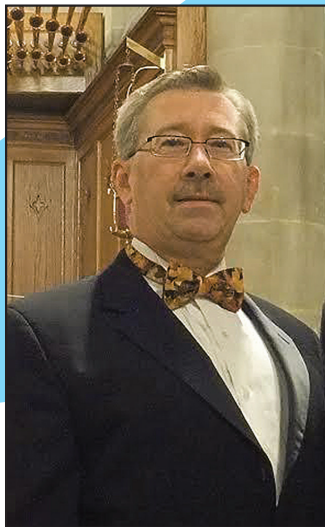
Dedication Concert

Sunday, October 6, 2019

Featuring Organist/Composer Mark Thewes

Free

Begins at 3:00pm
Open to the public



Celebrating the Refurbishing of our Kuhn Pipe Organ!

Mark Thewes

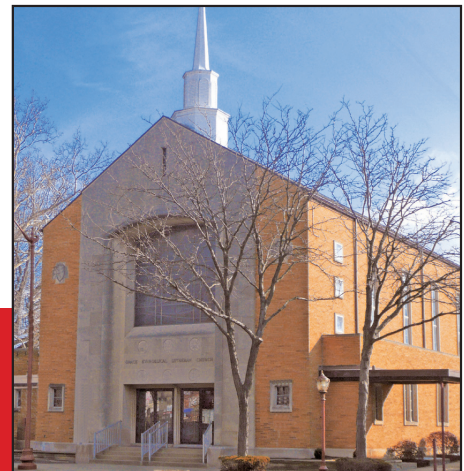
A resident of Massillon, Thewes holds a Bachelor's Degree in Music and a Master's Degree in Organ Performance from the University of Akron. Is the adjunct professor of organ at Malone University and is the accompanist for "A chorus for a Cause." Mark also serves as the past Dean of the Canton chapter of the American Guild of Organists. He is also the scholarship chairperson for the Canton MacDowell Music Club and the director of the MacDowell Chorale.

Come Celebrate With Us

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

216 N. Wooster Ave., Dover, OH (330) 343-6915

www.gracedover.org



LOCAL EVENTS



MACDOWELL MUSIC CLUB

and the

LITTLE FLOWER CATHOLIC
PARISH MUSIC MINISTRY

present

DANIEL COLANER
organ and piano

Sunday, October 13, 3:00 pm

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Daniel Colaner is a pianist and organist who recently debuted at Carnegie Hall, and was featured on Good Morning America, ABC World News Tonight, Nightline, BBC World Service Newsday, The Harry Show, The 700 Club, along with numerous articles online.

A RECITAL on our three manual RUDY LUCENTE
combination pipe and digital ALLEN ORGAN

Installed by PELLEGRINO MUSIC CENTER



LITTLE FLOWER CATHOLIC PARISH

2040 DIAMOND ST. NE, CANTON, OHIO

LOCAL EVENTS

James Welch, Organist in Concert
Christ Presbyterian Church of Canton
530 Tuscarawas St W, Canton, OH 44702
Sunday, October 20, 2019 4:00 pm
“A Return to Paris”



When concert organist James Welch returns to Christ Presbyterian Church of Canton on Sunday, Oct. 20, he'll bring with him echoes of Paris and an homage to Notre Dame. His program will feature music from the *City of Light* and its legendary cathedral. Not long ago this organist from Palo Alto, California was invited to give a recital at Notre Dame. So, when the world's most iconic remnant of Gothic architecture fell victim to a disastrous fire last April, Jim Welch felt a personal loss. True, the organ high in the west gallery since 1868 and forever the symbol of French organ culture was spared, as it was through two world wars. But the 300 ft. spire atop the cathedral collapsed and the rambling roof of lead tiles crumbled and the future of the building was uncertain.

Visions of Notre Dame and the city surrounding it will come to life at the 4 o'clock recital when Jim makes his second appearance at our sanctuary organ. This instrument, he claims, is one of the finest he has played in his career.

His recital opens with *Toccata parisienne*, written for him to premiere at the cathedral. Following are: the *B Minor Chorale* of Franck, a *Ronde francaise*, and the carol *Bring a torch, Jeannette Isabella*. In between come a few interlopers: Bach's *Toccata in F* and Jim's arrangement of Puccini's aria, *Nessun dorma*. And dare we omit Gershwin's *An American in Paris*? Three movements of Louis Vierne's *Symphonie No. 1* will conclude the recital. With this Jim pays tribute to the blind organist/composer who for 37 years was organist of Notre Dame and died at the console there after completing his 1,750th recital in the cathedral.

Dr. James Welch is University Organist of Santa Clara University, as well as organist for St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Palo Alto. He received the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in organ performance from Stanford University with further studies in France and Austria. He has concertized internationally from the Far East to the Middle East, and in the U.S. has appeared at venues from the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. to the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City. As a specialist in Latin American organ music, he has edited three volumes of organ music by Mexican composers. He has released numerous CD's on a variety of pipe organs.

For the last four years Jim has been a volunteer bishop in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, pastoring around 200 university students and millennials employed by Google, Apple or various other Silicon Valley pursuits.

LOCAL EVENTS

2019

Music on Market

2020



Wednesday, October 23, 2019 - 7 pm

HEY MAVIS

Laurie Michelle Caner & Eddie Caner

A Northcoast Americana band that weaves an original and beautiful musical tapestry!

Wednesday, November 20 - 7 pm

HALL OF FAME CHORUS

This Canton, OH Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society is a men's singing fraternity dedicated to providing its members, audiences and the community with a cappella entertainment excellence, education in a unique American musical style.

Saturday, December 14 - 1:30 pm

BURNING RIVER BRASS

Celebrate with a touch of tradition, a dash of jazz, and a healthy measure of festive cheer!

Friday, January 17, 2020 - 7 pm

MUSIC BY TWO

Nancy Davis and Sharon Johnson

Two Pianos

Take a deep breath, close your eyes and listen to their hearts beat as one. Then the magic happens!

Wednesday, February 19 - 7 pm

LOGAN HIGH SCHOOL CHAMBER SINGERS

The LHS Chamber Singers are Logan High School's premier vocal ensemble and are the 2019 Most Spirited Choir in America by Varsity Brands.

Wednesday, March 18 - 7 pm

"King of Kings"

with live accompaniment by

CLARK WILSON

Silent Film Organist

One of the most prominent and recognized scorers of silent photoplays in America today.

Wednesday, April 15 - 7 pm

ANDREW SORDS TRIO

Violin, piano, cello

The Sords/Matthews/DeMio trio will thrill in a romantic program with ardent themes and virtuosity.

Wednesday, May 20 - 7 pm

RICHARD HILLS

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OPEN POSITIONS

ORGANIST POSITION

Faith United Methodist Church - 300 9th St NW, North Canton, OH 44720

Faith United Methodist Church is seeking a permanent part time organist. Responsibilities include providing music for traditional services on Sunday morning and accompanying the Chancel Choir. The church has two traditional services on Sunday morning and the Chancel Choir rehearses on Wednesday evening. Additional duties include services during Lent and Advent as well as accompanying other musicians as needed. See the Organist Job Description for more details. The church has a three manual Schantz Pipe Organ and Boston Grand Piano. Please go to <http://www.faithumchurch.org> to see the complete job description and application forms. Please select the Worship tab on the webpage to see more details on the sanctuary instruments.

Contact Dorothy Leeson at Dorothy.leeson@testamericainc.com or 330-933-5298.

ORGANIST POSITION

Congregational United Church of Christ - 1530 Easton St NE, Canton, OH 44721

Duties include assisting the pastor to select music for worship services, leading/accompanying the Chorale, and providing musical guidance to enhance all worship experiences.

Responsibilities of Regularly Occurring Duties

- Provide keyboard, piano, or other music for all worship services, including Sunday mornings and special services which may include: Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter, and Christmas Eve; others as may be organized by the worship committee and Pastor.
- Select (in conjunction with or with approval of the Pastor) and perform appropriate prelude, postlude, communion, and offertory music for all services.
- Accompany congregational singing of hymns and other music in creative ways.
- Accompany Chorale and soloists.
- Recruit qualified substitutes (in consultation with the Pastor) for any absences from worship or choir rehearsals.
- Rehearse musical selections independently prior to choir rehearsals and performances.
- Provide the Church Secretary with titles and composers of service music selections for inclusion in the bulletin for worship.
- At the request of families, may play for weddings that will take place in the CUCC sanctuary, funerals of CUCC members/friends, ordinations, ecclesial councils and installations of CUCC members/friends. Fees are to be negotiated directly with the person(s) making the request. It is understood that families may bring in other musicians of their choosing for such services.

For a Complete job description visit: <https://www.indeed.com/m/viewjob?jk=ef2db1826f07045f&dupclk=0>

Contact Dennis Coy: Cell | (330) 936-9086 Email | denniscoy@gmail.com

OPEN POSITIONS (Continued)

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR POSITION

St. Jacob Lutheran Church - 8697 Mudbrook St. NW Massillon, OH 44646 **Phone:** 330-833-2960

The organist/choir director plays on Sundays, 9 a.m. worship service. The Voices of Praise adult choir rehearses at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. She/he needs to be familiar with the Lutheran liturgy as expressed in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book of 2006. The Holy Communion liturgy is on the first and third Sundays of the month, plus festivals. Our non-Communion Sundays are the second and fourth (and fifth) Sundays of the month. The organist/choir director will meet with the pastor on a frequent basis. The candidate will need to be available for funerals and weddings as they arise.

ORGAN INFORMATION: We have an organ in the balcony. It is a Schantz organ, made in Orville, OH, with 2 manuals, 14 ranks of pipes, with a pedal board made to AGO specifications. The Swell and Great Divisions are each under their own expression pedal.

ORGANIST/PIANIST POSITION

Community Christian Church - 210 N Main St, North Canton, OH 44720

General Provisions: This is a part-time position, with a 10-12 hour week. The time allows for the election of music, providing music and choir direction for the Traditional Worship, Choir rehearsal and personal practice. This position will report to and be supervised by the Senior Minister and the Chair of Personnel Committee. In the absence of either of these, the Chair of the Congregation will serve.

Contact Anthony Montagno for a full PDF of this Job Description

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR POSITION

Reedurban Presbyterian Church - 1145 Perry Drive NW Canton, OH 44708 **Phone:** 330-477-2838

Reedurban Presbyterian Church is searching for a part-time organist/choir director. We are a small church with a small choir and a congregation that appreciates and supports its music program, including a variety of musical styles. Please respond with letter and resume to 1145 Perry Dr. NW, Canton, 44708 or email us at reedurbanpc@gmail.com, attention Administration Team.

ADDITIONAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE - PLEASE CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION

Christ United Methodist Church - 600 E Gorgas St, Louisville, OH 44641 - (330) 875-1483