



American Guild of Organists

Red River Valley Chapter

PERFORMANCE

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TWO FOR ONE:

ORIGINAL MUSIC FOR ONE ORGAN, FOUR HANDS

Duet For Organ

-Allegro

-Andante

-Fuga, Alla Capella

Samuel Wesley

(1766-1837)

Bruce Jacobs, Michael Olson

Organ Sonata For Two Players

-Passacaglia

-Allegro

Rayner Brown

Carolyn Hensrud, Pat Unkenholz

Variations on an Easter Theme

John Rutter

(1945-)

David Morlock, William Wojnar

Many thanks to Norma Halverson for her assistance with this program.

September 20, 1987, 4:00 PM
First United Methodist Church
906 1st Ave. South
Fargo, North Dakota

CHAPTER BUSINESS

CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES: 7-19-87

The business meeting was called to order by the Dean at Peter Nygaard's residence in Fargo.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Committee assignments and a tentative program for 1987-88 were shown. The newly-elected officers for 1987-88 who were present were officially installed by the Dean.

NEW BUSINESS: Advertising and publicity for our chapter, and our problem with it, were discussed. Jack Close suggested working with a local advertising firm to create a distinctive logo and other methods of making our chapter better known in this area; we need to establish an identity. He has done some preliminary work on this, but funding is needed to go further. Mercedes Roos moved that our chapter apply to the San Francisco Chapter of AGO for a grant to support establishment of an identity for ourselves within our community. Motion was seconded and passed.

The Church Music Bonanza II (held June 20, 1987) was discussed at length. At this point, a "Church Music Bonanza III" has not been considered in the 1987-88 budget. Members present commented as follows:

1. It was a great success in the area of educational value; comments from attendees were universally favorable.
2. We need to see the financial results from the 1987 event, which are not in yet, before we know what we can do for next year.
3. The Bonanza was an excellent public relations vehicle for our chapter.

Through discussion, the consensus was that there should be a chairperson just for the Bonanza, should we have it next year, and its location should be kept to one building. Jack, on behalf of the Program Committee, moved that our chapter should hold "Church Music Bonanza III" in June 1988, and include

it in the 1987-88 budget. Motion was seconded and passed.

Discussion was held as to whether we should have the MidSummer Rendezvous again next year. The consensus was that we should do so, as it is healthy for an organization to have social occasions as well as meetings and events, and it is a good situation in which to discuss ideas. Also, Joan Bystol suggested once again having a post-Christmas gathering at her home. The consensus was a hearty "yes;" both ideas will be passed on to the Program Committee.

Appreciations expressed:

- * to Joan Bystol for her time & efforts on the Lake Agassiz Arts Council on behalf of our chapter & other organizations;
- * to Michael Olson for his work as chairman of the Program Committee in 1986-87;
- * to Brad Steen for his devoted efforts as our Newsletter Editor the past several years;
- * to Rod Rothlisberger for his excellent leadership as our Dean this past year;
- * and to Peter Nygaard for sharing his home with us for this Rendezvous!

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa A. Smith, Secretary

This newsletter was assembled for mailing by the Developmental Work Activity Center, Fargo.

**MEMO TO: EVENT CHAIRPERSONS
REGARDING: PUBLICITY**

To facilitate publicizing our programs during the 1987-88 program year, you are asked to observe the following procedures:

1. If you are chairing a major event, you should appoint a publicity chairperson to handle routine publicity matters. I will be glad to consult with this individual and will assist with the unusual or extraordinary.

2. If you are chairing a regular monthly program, you are asked to:

- * submit as much info as possible to me by the 10th of the preceding month for publication in the local media (Forum, Guide, Mdwk) plus several daily papers in our region.

- * submit articles regarding your event during the month(s) PREceding the event, as well as in the month OF THE EVENT, to Newsletter Editor, Carolyn Hensrud. Our press release may be adequate, it's up to you.

- * submit a complete program early in the month of your event to Carolyn Hensrud for publication in the Newsletter.

If you have any questions/concerns/suggestions regarding publicity, please let me know. We are always looking for ways to broaden our coverage and develop our audience.

Rod Rothlisberger, Dean

PS: Please retain four (4) copies of your program & forward them to Secretary Theresa Smith for our files & for the AGO Archives at Moorhead State University.

A MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REQUEST

The Membership Committee is requesting again this year that we be kept informed as to all:

1. Weddings
2. Births
3. Deaths
4. Illnesses
5. Milestones & Achievements

within our AGO family. When events or circumstances of this type occur within your family, please contact Bradley Steen at 701/235-1386 or mail the information to his attention at:

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Fargo, ND 58108

It is the intent of the Membership Committee to acknowledge these occasions of importance in all our lives.

Thank you
The Membership Committee

COMING EVENTS

PIPEDREAMS on KCCM (91.1 FM)

Sunday, Oct. 4, 9:30 PM: GOING ON RECORD - a quarterly review of recent organ releases on LP, tape & compact disc.

Sunday, Oct. 11, 9:30 PM: SEATED ONE DAY AT THE ORGAN - Transcriptions explored - from Bach to Bartok!

Sunday, Oct. 18, 9:30 PM: WONDERS OF WORCESTER - 1985 Fuller International Organ Festival. Bach, Lemmons, Widor.

Sunday, October 25, 9:30 PM: CIVIC PRIDE - American Theater Organ Society Performer-of-the-Year Tom Hazelton on the 1928 Kimball, Mpls. Auditorium.

RRVC BUDGET 1986-87

	Proposed	Actual
ASSETS		
Beginning Balance	3425	3425.13
INCOME		
Member Dues	2620	2880.00
Interest	250	221.90
Hymn Festival	485	
- Donations	360	286.54
- Grants	125	-
Choral Concert	1200	
- Donations	-	395.26
- Grants	1200	1090.00
Organ Recital	2340	
- Donations	240	243.89
- Grants	1500	1318.00
- Patrons	600	965.00
Church Music Workshop	1100	
- Registration	500	737.50
- Grants	600	665.00
Corp/Fdn Grant/Misc	1500	
Fund Drive		830.00
Found Grants		1135.80
Misc.		309.45
TOTAL Income	9495.00	11078.34
TOTAL Assets & Inc	12920	14503.47

EXPENSES

Dues to National	1410	1397.00
Dues to LAAC	60	60.00
General Op. Exp.	400	840.99
Archives	50	47.02
Banner	100	-
Dean's Annual AGO Mtg. Fd	175	115.00
Education Committee	50	20.32
Hospitality Committee	100	28.00
Membership Committee	100	198.88
Newsletter	500	1127.44
Program Committee	100	194.97
Organ Crawl	150	-
Hymn Festival	1000	902.47
Choral Concert	2400	2030.55
Organ Recital	3000	2896.28
Church Music Workshop	1200	1593.08
TOTAL Expenses	10795	11452.00
YEAR END BALANCE	2125	3051.47

Phil Felde, Treasurer

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

3 PM, 1st United Methodist Church,
 Fargo, Sunday, September 20th.

AGO Yearbook

If you joined our chapter just prior to September 15, you may not be listed in the Yearbook since we had to print it September 11. Last minute additions will be printed at the end of the yearbook and in future newsletters.

CHAPTER PARTICIPATES IN COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

As you will note in the calendar for this AGO program year, we have begun a series of organ demonstrations through Moorhead Community Education programs. Thusfar, arrangements have been made for Peter Nygaard to demonstrate the organ at Trinity Lutheran Church as a part of the Senior Citizens Program on September 21.

In October, Peter & Judy Sanders will show the organs at Trinity and Good Shepherd Lutheran Church for the Early Childhood Family Education Program (pre-schoolers & parents). Finally, plans are being made to expand Susan Clambey's demonstrations to Riverside School 5th graders by making it possible for all 5th graders in the Moorhead Public Schools to visit a pipe organ sometime in May. Carole Kline of the Moorhead Community Arts Program has been the main facilitator of these activities. Depending on the response to these presentations, an effort may be made to expand into other area school systems. Your comments and assistance are always welcome.

Rod Rothlisberger, Dean

PIANO FOR SALE:

A 1917 Wurlitzer 4'10" grand piano with rosewood finish & in good condition is available for \$600.00 by Jeff Ronchetti. Call 236-6876 or after 5 PM: 233-1329.

INTERNATIONAL ORGAN CRAWL UPDATE

Our International Organ Crawl to Winnipeg, Manitoba, will take place on Friday & Saturday, October 2-3. We will depart from the Concordia College Music Dept. parking lot at 5:00 PM. On Saturday, members of the Royal Canadian College of Organists will escort us to several organs throughout the city. After an early supper, we will return to Fargo-Mhd. by about 10:00 PM.

A reservation fee of \$10.00 per person is requested by Sunday, September 20 (\$15.00 thereafter). This fee will cover your portion of the transportation expenses. A block of rooms has been reserved for us at the rate of \$35.00 Canadian (or approximately \$25.00 U.S.) for one or two people per room at the St. Regis Hotel in downtown Winnipeg.

Subdean George French will provide further details at our chapter meeting on Sunday, September 20 at 1st United Methodist Church, Fargo, or you may call him at 218/281-2016.

So, collect your friends and relatives, and be a part of this exciting activity, or we'll be going without you. Send your reservation deposit(s) and room reservation instructions today to:

INTERNATIONAL ORGAN CRAWL
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ARTS CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

- Oct. 25: Andre Schub, 8:15 PM
NDSU--Perf. Arts Series
MSU Choir, 3:00 PM
Center for Perf. Arts
- 26: New Music Concert, 8:15 PM
Center for Arts, 176
- 30: Halloween Music Concert, 8:15 PM,
Student Union Ballroom
- 31: Silent Movie Night
Fargo Theatre

ORGAN DEDICATION

Joan Bystol will dedicate the new Allen Organ on Sunday, October 4 at 3 PM at 1st Baptist Church in Lisbon, ND.

IN PURSUIT OF TRIVIA

1. What was Francois Couperin's nickname?
2. What was Paul Hindemith's principal instrument?
3. What was Olivier Messiaen's 1st organ composition?
4. What was an early Italian principal celeste?

STATE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The state of the state of North Dakota includes reports from 3 very distinct AGO chapters. I was invited to install officers last September for the new Missouri Valley Chapter in Bismarck. They have 25 active members, a beautiful computerized newsletter and lots of enthusiasm. The key to their instant success was their multi-talented motivational Dean - Joanne Pearson, who inspired 'everyone' to be involved in some aspect of chapter operation. Together they will continue to grow. Highlights of their first year included several programs of seasonal music, a clergy-musician panel and potluck, and a sumptuous year-end buffet at their local country club featuring Richard Evich, concertmaster of the Bismarck-Mandan Symphony.

I visited the Minot Chapter along with Rod this past April. We presented an overview of the Red River Valley Chapter's growth over the past 8 years. Minot has never charged local dues so finds it hard to grow. I sent a mailing to 200 area musicians inviting them to this informational meeting but only 8 people attended.

The Red River Valley Chapter continues to be an inspiration to me, to other chapters and I hope to its members. Each of us has been blessed with many talents which combined produce a dynamic and creative chapter. I wish I could have 'bragged us up' in person in St. Louis, but Rod did an excellent job of this I'm sure (I had it all written out for him!).

3 cheers for our tri-chapter state!

Carolyn Hensrud, ND State Chairperson.

Be careful next Sunday!



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