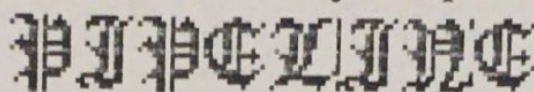




# American Guild of Organists

## Red River Valley Chapter



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### "ARCHITECTURE & ACOUSTICS: A GOOD MARRIAGE?"

Panel Discussion - Sunday, May 15  
4 p.m., St. John Lutheran, Fargo

#### Participants & Topics:

BERRETH & LINDBERG-BERRETH (Architects)  
Structural shapes, styles, & building materials which enhance church music without damaging the audibility of the spoken word.

LANCE JOHNSON (Organ Builder)  
How an organ builder deals with various acoustical & architectural situations in new or existing churches & the importance of organ placement.

BRUCE JACOBS (Engineer & Organist)  
A musician's definition of "good" acoustics, & the effect of "good" acoustics on hymn singing, choir performance, & instrumental solos.

Moderator - NORMAN ROOS

## CHAPTER BUSINESS

### CHAPTER MEETING AGENDA

There are several important matters which require action by the chapter on Sunday, May 15. Therefore, a business meeting will follow our program at St. John Lutheran Church. Please try to attend at least part of this last meeting of the program year.

### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The final meeting of the 1987-88 Executive Board will be held on Sunday, May 15, at 3 PM at St. John Lutheran Church, Fargo. Please make every effort to attend.

### ELECTION & SURVEY

Ballots for the 1988 national AGO election of officers & councillors are being mailed to each member. With the ballot is a membership survey form. Please vote & complete the survey, which will provide much needed data on current conditions in sacred music. The deadline for return is June 3.

### A NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you to those who helped with planning, logistics, teaching the music, refreshments for the choirs, & all that went into a most successful April event.

Our 16 choirs sang a marvelous concert at the Children's Choir Festival, First Presbyterian was full, & all in all it was a special event.

A note from Sister Claudia Nelson, choir director from Blessed Sacrament Church in West Fargo: "I would like to commend & thank you for all the work in preparing for the Children's Choir Festival. We at Blessed Sacrament feel it was such a worthwhile experience for the children, not only for the music but in the spirit of ecumenism."

Susan Clambey.



## EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

The chapter's Educational Outreach Program continues this month with organ demonstrations for all Moorhead 5th graders through the Moorhead Community Arts Program: Susan Clambey at Good Shepherd Lutheran on Monday, May 9 (Riverside); Peter Nygaard at Our Savior's Lutheran on Tuesday, May 10 (Washington); John Salveson at Our Redeemer Lutheran on Tuesday & Wednesday, May 31 & June 1 (Edison); & Judy Sanders at Good Shepherd Lutheran on Tuesday & Wednesday, May 31 & June 1 (Probstfield).

In addition, Susan Clambey provided demonstrations for preschoolers in the Moorhead Private Nursery School on Monday & Tuesday, May 2 & 3, at Grace United Methodist & Peter Nygaard is repeating his program for Senior Citizens at Trinity Lutheran on Monday, June 20 at 1:30 PM.

Our thanks to these members for giving generously of their time to this educational endeavor.

## COMING EVENTS

### PIPEDREAMS on KCCM (91.1 FM)

Sunday, May 15, 9:30 PM: AGO'86 - Huw Lewis & Daniel Roth play Gigout, Harris, Cox, Roth, Whalum, Coleman, Widor.

Sunday, May 22, 9:30 PM: AGO'86 Natl. Young Artists Competition finalists play Bach, DeGrigny, Persichetti, Widor, Albright, Durufle.

Sunday, May 29, 9:30 PM: AGO'86 more Natl. Young Artists finalists play Vierne, Persichetti, DeGrigny, Bach, Durufle, Bohm, Alain.

Sunday, June 5, 9:30 PM: AGO'86 - Marilyn Mason premieres new music at U of Michigan; Janice Beck plays new Fisk. Willcocks, Albright, Bach, Bolcom.

Sunday, June 12, 9:30 PM: AGO '86 - Independent Presbyterian Church Choir of Birmingham, Alabama & organist Robert Glasgow.

## ARTS CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

May 15 MSU Schola Cantorum & Collegium Musicum, 3 PM  
St. John's Episcopal, Mhd.

Chamber Chorale, 7:30 PM  
"Musica Britannica"  
Luth. Church of Gd. Shepherd  
Moorhead

### MARLYS SAYS...

Circle Sunday, September 11, 4 P.M., on your calendars! That's the date of Trinity Lutheran's organ dedication in Lisbon. We're looking forward to seeing AGO invade Lisbon for this exciting event!

## MARKINGS

### RUTH BERGE HONORED

On Thursday, April 21, Ruth Berge received the Woman of the Year Award in the Arts from the Y.W.C.A. We heartily congratulate her for this achievement and also celebrate the culmination of her 42 years on the Concordia College Music faculty.

### TRANSITION

Beginning in June, 1988, Theresa Smith will be attending the College of St. Benedict/St. John's University (both near St. Cloud, MN), where she will be working towards a Master of Arts degree in Liturgical Music. She is one of the first to start this program, newly-approved this year, & anticipates that it will take a minimum of 2 years to complete.