

# Central Arkansas Chapter American Guild of Organists

The Clarion September 2022

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#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to enrich lives through organ and choral music. To achieve this, we encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music; inspire, educate, and offer certification for organists and choral conductors; provide networking, fellowship, and mutual support; nurture future generations of organists; promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles; and engage wider audiences with organ and choral music.

2022-2023 Officers Bob Bidewell, *dean* Jason Saugey, *sub-dean* Jess Anthony, *treasurer* Jane Gamble, *secretary* 

Executive Committee Karen Horton (2023) Colin MacKnight (2024) John Briggs (2025)

## From the Dean

### Greetings!

I hope you've had a great summer and are ready to get back to a full schedule of activities. COVID is still present, and I know so many who are dealing with it, even with two vaccines and two boosters! I had to miss the May meeting and recital due to the dang thing. And, yes, I'm "shot and boosted!" Hoping it will become a thing of the past very quickly. On a personal note, I had total left knee replacement surgery on August 10. Everything went well and I'm doing great. Was off the pain killers by the second week, got permission to drive at my follow up appointment, still going to physical therapy, I use a cane occasionally if needed. Other than that, glory be, I'm a bionic organist!

Our Sub-Dean, Jason Saugey, and our Executive Council have approved a great season ahead. I'm going to let that be the main thrust of this edition of the *Clarion*. You will find information below on what is planned. I am always amazed at the generosity of our area churches and musicians who open their doors for us. Thank you ahead of time for being so gracious and welcoming!

I was not able to attend the National Convention in Seattle but heard it was a fantastic experience! Our own Colin MacKnight attended, I'm not sure if other Chapter members were able to go. Something to think about for the Summer of 2023 is our Southwest Regional Convention in Tulsa. Several of us are already making plans to attend. More information may be found below.

As I've stated before, COVID has really done a number on so many organizations. Being on hold for over two years was brutal. We are behind on some things that need attention, and these will be addressed as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience as we re-ORGANize!

Finally, if you know someone who has let their membership lapse, please encourage them to pay their dues. If you are aware of a new musician in the area that might benefit from what we offer, encourage them to join us. Membership information may be found on our website!

I hope to see you at our September Dinner/ Meeting/and Installation of Officers Service at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church. Invite a friend! It will be a wonderful time to be together and catch up. See you soon!

Bob Bidewell, Dean

## Upcoming Newsletter

The October 2022 *Clarion* will be published Monday, October 3. If you have any items to submit (news, events, announcements, job postings, personal ads, opinion pieces, prayer requests) please send them to adam@cacago.org. The deadline is Friday, September 30.

# SEPTEMBER MEETING

Installation of Officers

<sup>O</sup> Friday, September 23, 2022

6:00 р.м. – Punchbowl

6:30 р.м. – Dinner & Meeting

7:30 P.M. – Installation of Officers

 St. Margaret's Episcopal Church 20900 Chenal Pkwy.
Little Rock, Arkansas

**DINNER RESERVATIONS:** The cost for dinner is \$20.00. For dinner reservations, contact Dr. Jane Gamble via e-mail (dinner@cacago.org), or voice/text (901) 827-7909, or complete the dinner reservation form on the chapter website. *Please provide the names of your guests so that nametags may be printed for them.* 

Dinner reservations are due by noon, Tuesday, September 20!

## Upcoming CACAGO Programs

Friday, September 23, 7:30 р.м. Installation of Officers St. Margaret's Episcopal Church 20900 Chenal Pkwy. Little Rock, Arkansas

Monday, October 24, 7:00 P.M. Online Resources for the Church Organist Benjamin Kolodziej, presenter Morrison Hall Trinity Episcopal Cathedral 310 W. 17th St. Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, October 28, 7:30 P.M. David Enlow, organist Cathedral of St. Andrew 617 Louisiana St. Little Rock, Arkansas

Saturday, October 29, 10:00 A.M. Improvisation Workshop David Enlow, presenter Trinity Episcopal Cathedral 310 W. 17th St. Little Rock, Arkansas Sunday, October 30, 7:00 P.M. Silent Movie: "Nosferatu" David Enlow, organist Trinity Episcopal Cathedral 310 W. 17th St. Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, November 11, 7:30 P.M. Young Artists Recital Rosemarie Ochoa, organist Chandler Freligh, organist Daniel Gauger, organist First United Methodist Church 723 Center St. Little Rock, Arkansas

January, TBA Twelfth Night Party Home of Bob Bidewell

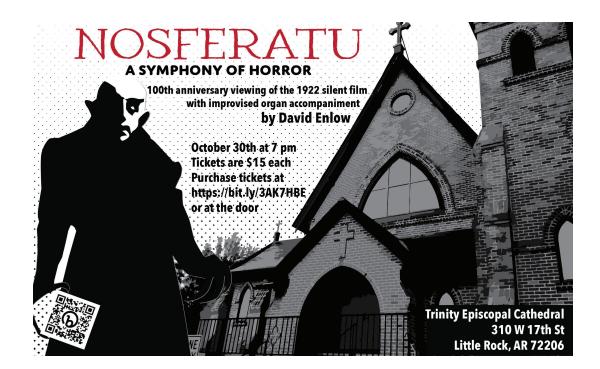
Friday, February 10, 7:30 Р.М. Hymn Festival with David Cherwien Grace Lutheran Church 5124 Hillcrest Ave. Little Rock, Arkansas Saturday, February 11, 10:00 A.M. Organist Workshop David Cherwien, presenter Grace Lutheran Church 5124 Hillcrest Ave. Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, March 3, 7:30 P.M. Damin Spritzer, organist Pulaski Heights UMC 4823 Woodlawn Dr. Little Rock, Arkansas

Saturday, March 11, 10:00 A.M. Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza First United Methodist Church 1610 Prince St. Conway, Arkansas

April, TBA The 19th Annual Concert Celebrating the Life of Robert Young Ellis

Friday, May 5, 7:30 P.M. Fred Teardo, *organist* First Presbyterian Church 800 Scott St. Little Rock, Arkansas



# Treasurer's Report

INCOME		EXPENSES	
REVENUE		ADMINISTRATIVE	
Dues	\$903.00	Dues to National	
Ad Sales		Catering/Reception	\$500.00
Meals		Marketing/Public Relations	
Carry Over (FY20)	\$3,789.82	Remaining Expenses	\$19.05
Other/Mail			\$519.05
	\$4,692.82		
		ARTISTIC	
SUPPORT		Artist Fees/Housing	\$300.00
Individuals	\$2,815.17	Remaining Expenses (ACH)	
Other (ACH)		Tech/Production	
Endowment		_	\$300.00
	\$2,815.17	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$819.05
TOTAL INCOME	\$7,507.99		
		BALANCE	\$6,688.94

## Position Available St. Paul United Methodist Church Little Rock, Arkansas

Position: Part-time Director of Music/Organist

St. Paul United Methodist Church is seeking a part-time Director of Music/Organist. The Director of Music will be responsible for playing organ/piano, and directing the adult choir and handbells. There is one weekly worship services.

Send résumés and questions to Pam Estes, pam.estes@arumc.org.

## 2023 AGO Southwest Regional Convention June 27-30, 2023 Tulsa, Oklahoma

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