



Central Arkansas Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

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The Clarion

November 2011

Mission Statement

The purpose of the American Guild of Organists is to promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles, to encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music, and to provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members.

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From the Dean

It is not even Veteran's Day and Christmas Trees are springing up and wreaths are on pediments. Rather like inducing labor at thirty-three weeks. It seems a bit premature. Advent is supposed to prepare us for the coming of Christ. A time of meditation and preparation. I think the season is helpful.

I don't know if you are all agog with the "Spirit of the Season", but I have found of late that taking a few steps back and breathing deeply is a profoundly wonderful experience. I don't need to attend every party, or play every note. I

want to know what I will play long before Christmas Eve and be well prepared so that I am not anxious or ill tempered. If it snows, it snows. I am not in charge of the weather. If folks get the croup I can not cure it. Christmas will come again as it has for two thousand odd years. The age old message is Peace, Good Will to Men. That is our challenge and commission.

Peace and Joy to All.

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CACAGO Holiday Party

Friday, December 2
6:00 – 9:00 P.M.

Home of Bob Bidewell
22 Coronado Circle
North Little Rock

Coctail Buffet/Casual Attire

Bring your favorite holiday music to play at the piano or organ. Always a fun time!

\$10 per person. Reservations by noon,
Wednesday, November 30.

Directions: Make your way to NLR and go North on JFK/Highway 107. Go through Park Hill, past St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Go through the lights at McCain, Randolph Road, and Kierre Road. The YMCA will be on your left and you will cross a bridge. Immediately past the bridge is a left turn lane. Turn LEFT on Pontiac (if you get to the light at Osage and First United Methodist Church, you've gone one street too far). The first street you can turn LEFT off of Pontiac is Coronado Circle. #22 is on the right about halfway around the circle. Grey brick and trim, stone steps and wall. Call (501) 940-4646 if you need further directions.

Members' Recital

We will have a Members' Recital on Friday, January 13 at First United Methodist Church in Little Rock. If you would like to perform on this program, please email Adam Savacool (asavacool@gmail.com) by Wednesday, November 16.

NOVEMBER MEETING

Friday, November 25, 2011

A Benefit Concert for the
Pediatric Injury Prevention Center
Arkansas Children's Hospital
sponsored by Dr. C. James Graham

Lisa Shihoten, *violin* Ken Cowan, *organ*

Punchbowl — 6:15 P.M.

Dinner and Meeting — 6:45 P.M.

Program — 8:00 P.M.

First Presbyterian Church

800 Scott St.

Little Rock, Arkansas

The cost for dinner is \$10.00. For dinner reservations, contact Craig Chotard via email (dinner@cacago.org) or phone (501) 225-4203. **Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, dinner reservations must be made by noon Monday, November 21.** Your reservation will be confirmed via phone or email. If you do not receive a confirmation, please contact Craig to assure your reservation has been received.

Biography of Lisa Shihoten

Violinist Lisa Shihoten enjoys an active career as a chamber musician, recitalist, and teacher. She made her New York solo debut at Avery Fisher Hall with the Juilliard Orchestra under the direction of Kurt Masur, and has received top prizes and awards from the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts, the Marcia Polayes National Competition, and the Seventeen Magazine/General Motors National Competition. Ms. Shihoten appears frequently with the ensemble Concertante, the American Chamber Players, and with the Jupiter Symphony Chamber Players, and

has performed at numerous summer festivals, including the Caramoor Music Festival, the Ravinia Festival, the Verbier Music Festival, the Aspen Music Festival, and the Norfolk Chamber Music Festival. She has also toured throughout Israel, Greece, and Turkey, and in this country regularly tours in duo recital with organist Ken Cowan. Ms. Shihoten received her Bachelor's degree from the Juilliard School, and her Master's degree from the Yale School of Music. She makes her home in Princeton, New Jersey, and teaches at Princeton University.

Biography of Ken Cowan

A native of Thorold, Ontario, Canada, Ken Cowan received his Bachelor of Music degree from the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, and his Master's degree and Artist Diploma from the Yale Institute of Sacred Music. His past positions have included Associate Organist and Artist in Residence at Saint Bartholomew's Church, New York City, and Assistant Organist posts at St. James Episcopal Church and the Church of Saint Mary the Virgin in New York City and Saint Clement's Church in Philadelphia.

Currently Assistant Professor of Organ at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ, Mr. Cowan

maintains a full studio of organ students and is one of the most sought-after concert organists in North America. He has won numerous awards in the United States and Canada; has been a featured artist at regional and national conventions of the American Guild of Organists, the Organ Historical Society and the Royal Canadian College of Organists; and has been on the roster of Associate Organists for the famous Wanamaker Grand Court organ in Philadelphia. He has also recorded several critically acclaimed CDs on the JAV label.

Pediatric Injury Prevention Center

The Injury Prevention Center, which is a collaborative effort of the UAMS Department of Pediatrics and Arkansas Children's Hospital, was selected as the state lead center for Arkansas.

As the state lead center, the Injury Prevention Center at ACH and UAMS is responsible for developing the master plan of care for children and young adults with brain injuries throughout the entire state of Arkansas.

The Injury Prevention Center at Arkansas Children's Hospital is the only multi-faceted injury prevention program in Arkansas whose mission is to reduce child injury, death, and disability in Arkansas through service, education, innovative research, and advocacy. Key areas of focus include teen driving, all-terrain vehicle safety, car passenger seat safety, water safety, home safety, pedestrian safety, and bike safety. The center's team of experts works with partners throughout the state to educate families on effective prevention strategies, reinforcing the fact that *It Only Takes a Moment* to lose a life due to injury, but it also

only takes a moment to practice safety and prevention. For more information on the Injury Prevention Center at Arkansas Children's Hospital, call (501) 364-3400 or visit http://www.archildrens.org/injury_prevention.

Arkansas Children's Hospital is the only pediatric medical center in Arkansas and one of the largest in the United States service children from birth to age 21. The campus spans 28 city blocks and houses 316 beds, a staff of approximately 500 physicians, 80 residents in pediatrics and pediatric specialties, and more than 4,000 employees. The private, nonprofit healthcare facility boasts an internationally renowned reputation for medical breakthroughs and intensive treatments, unique surgical procedures and forward-thinking medical research—all dedicated to fulfilling our mission of enhancing, sustaining, and restoring children's health and development. ACH recently ranked No. 76 on FORTUNE 100 Best Companies to Work For®. For more information, visit <http://www.archildrens.org>.

Arts Calendar

Thursday, November 10 – 7:30 p.m.

Little Rock Chamber Music Society
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Saturday, November 12 – 8:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Masterworks
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, November 13 – 3:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Masterworks
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, November 25 – 8:00 p.m. [CACAGO]

Lisa Shihoten, violin; Ken Cowan, organ
First Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Thursday, December 1 – 7:30 p.m.

Candlelight Carol Service
Hendrix College: Greene Chapel
Conway, Arkansas

Friday, December 2 – 6:00-9:00 p.m. [CACAGO]

CACAGO Holiday Party
Bob Bidewell Residence
North Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, December 2 – 7:30 p.m.

Arkansas Choral Society
presents Handel's Messiah
First Pentecostal Church
North Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, December 2 – 7:30 p.m.

Candlelight Carol Service
Hendrix College: Greene Chapel
Conway, Arkansas

Saturday, December 3 – 7:30 p.m.

Candlelight Carol Service
Hendrix College: Greene Chapel
Conway, Arkansas

Sunday, December 4 – 3:00 p.m.

River City Men's Chorus
Trinity United Methodist Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, December 4 – 3:00 p.m.

Little Rock Wind Symphony
Second Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, December 4 – 4:00 p.m.

Candlelight Carol Service
Hendrix College: Greene Chapel
Conway, Arkansas

Monday, December 5 – 7:00 p.m.

River City Men's Chorus
Trinity United Methodist Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Thursday, December 8 – 7:00 p.m.

River City Men's Chorus
Trinity United Methodist Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, December 9 – 7:30 p.m.

Arkansas Chamber Singers
Covenant Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Saturday, December 10 – 7:00 p.m.

Pine Bluff Symphony Orchestra
Pine Bluff Convention Center Auditorium
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Sunday, December 11 – 3:00 p.m.

Arkansas Chamber Singers
Cathedral of St. Andrew
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, December 11 – 6:00 p.m.

Advent Lessons & Carols
Christ Episcopal Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Thursday, December 15 – 7:30 p.m.

Candlelight Carol Service Tour
Highland Park United Methodist Church
Dallas, Texas

Friday, December 16 – 7:30 p.m.

Candlelight Carol Service Tour
St. Paul United Methodist Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, December 16 – 8:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Pops
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas

Saturday, December 17 – 8:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Pops
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, December 18 – 3:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Pops
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, December 30 – 8:00 p.m. [CACAGO]

Fred Teardo, organ
Christ Episcopal Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Treasurer's Report

INCOME	EXPENSES
<p>REVENUE</p> <p>Dues \$3,738.00</p> <p>Ad Sales \$1,395.00</p> <p>Meals \$801.00</p> <p>Carry Over (FY11) \$4,980.00</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$10,914.00</p> <p>SUPPORT</p> <p>Individuals \$3,636.00</p> <p>Corporate/Church \$ -</p> <p>Endowment \$210.00</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$3,846.00</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p>TOTAL INCOME \$14,760.00</p>	<p>ADMINISTRATIVE</p> <p>Dues to National \$1,850.00</p> <p>Catering \$1,124.00</p> <p>Remaining Expenses \$302.00</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$3,276.00</p> <p>ARTISTIC</p> <p>Artist Fees/Housing \$333.00</p> <p>Remaining Expenses \$ -</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$333.00</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p>TOTAL EXPENSES \$3,609.00</p> <p>SURPLUS \$11,151.00</p>

Upcoming CACAGO Events

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