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The Dean's Column

Greetings to all!

Spring has sprung....pollen has just about subsided....spring storms have wrecked havoc and we've just celebrated Easter! I hope all your Easter services went well. Perhaps you now have a little time to rest and relax following Lent, Holy Week and Easter?

We're coming up to the end of a wonderful 2018-2019 Chapter year. We've had a wonderful variety of programs that were intended to reach out to our chapters members and those outside the chapter. We've spent a little more money from the chapter treasury that we usually do, and hopefully those that took advantage of what the chapter offered found new ideas and help for your work in your local churches and programs.

Thanks to Lee Harris, Chair of the Nominating Committee, Dr. David Lynch, Ruth Hoffmann, and Kevin Kerstetter we have a wonderful slate of officers for you to consider for the next 2 years.

I want to thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving as Dean for quite a number of years starting in 2011, I believe!!! During these last 8 years we have seen some ups and downs, we have moved into the 21st century by developing a web page presence thanks to Andy Liepins. We have a wonderful presence on Facebook thanks to Lyn Francisco. We have enlarged the Officer Council with several at-large members. We have

moved from having a paper newsletter to electronic delivery through email, saving the chapter money on administrative costs. We have had several successful Cooper-Miller Scholarship awards. We have developed and produced Smorgansbord which has become a wonderful yearly event offering lots of information and training for our members and guests. We have developed a system to keep in contact with new members as well as "old" members! We have continued to provide help to churches seeking substitutes and to provide assistance in filling vacant positions. And we have had hosted two very successful Quimby Competitions. These are just a few highlights to mention.

Please thank our officers who have served over this past eight years. --- David Cole, Ruth Hoffmann, Karl Zinsmeister, Janet Cherry, Michael Harris, Preston Smith, Kenneth Kerr, Mark Andersen, Al Murrell, Lee Harris, Elizabeth Goldstein, Noel Hamm, Lorraine Magnuson, Pam Langston, and Tamara Lewis. We are indebted to their valuable time and expertise volunteering to help grow and maintain the chapter. I know the new officers will find a warm and welcoming chapter ready to take on new tasks and learning experiences. Be watching for the ballot and make sure you all VOTE!

Blessings and peace to all!"

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Chapter members have two ways to support our mission. We appreciate contributions toward both our General Fund and the Cooper-Miller Scholarship Fund.



CHAPTER COMMUNICATIONS

Newsletter published monthly by the Central North Carolina Chapter, American Guild of Organists. Submission Deadline: 24th of preceding month. Submit items by email (preferred), phone, or mail to the Newsletter Editor.

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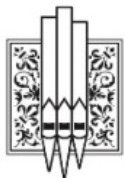
Standard of **Excellence**



Catawba College - Salisbury, North Carolina

Catawba College is a small, faith-based (UCC), liberal arts college located about 45 miles north of Charlotte in the quaint town of Salisbury, NC. The 1000-seat Omwake-Dearborn Chapel, named for two former college presidents, is now 55 years old. At the time of the dedication, an electronic organ was in place but was later replaced by a 42 rank 3 manual Casavant pipe organ. Over the years, the pipe organ fell into disrepair and its baroque tonality fell out of favor. Several attempts were made to either repair the Casavant or replace it. Al Murrell, Vice President of R. A. Daffer Church Organs, Inc., built a strong relationship with Professor Paul Oakley and his successor Dr. Phillip Burgess by providing Rodgers Organs for their annual service of lessons and carols. Because of the relationship Al built over the years with college personnel, R.A.Daffer Church Organs, Inc was chosen to build and install the new four manual 84 stop Rodgers Organ. In addition, 17 ranks of the existing Casavant Organ were incorporated into the new instrument. The project which includes new wind chests will be completed in April of 2019. We wish to thank Dr. Phillip Burgess, Associate Chair of Music and

Mr. Bill Graham, Chair of Trustees for putting their trust in our company for this project. The new instrument will enrich the weddings and services that are held in this exquisite chapel for many year



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CALENDAR

Friday, May 10 from 6:00-8:30 pm: Progressive Organ Recital and Dinner with the Fayetteville-Sandhills Chapter starting at Haymount UMC (1700 Fort Bragg Rd., Fayetteville). Tickets are \$15.00 and are available through Eventbrite. Tickets must be bought by May 8. For more information, contact Marcia Mervin at marcia@firstprez.com.

Wednesday, May 15 3:00 pm (time tentative):
A demonstration of a Synthia Hymn Player device which works through a laptop computer at St. George's Anglican Church (1210 Dixie Trail, Raleigh). Confirm time with Lorraine Magnuson raineymag@gmail.com 919-889-5639. See flier page 4.

Sunday, May 19 at 3:30 pm: Deux Voix, a duo organ/trumpet team from the Houston, TX area will perform at Christ the King Lutheran (600 Walnut St., Cary). Contact Al Murrell 443-812-5999. See flier on page 6.

Saturday, June 1, at 3:00 pm: Evensong for Ascension Day at Watts Street Baptist Church (800 Watts St, Durham).

The American Guild of Organists' *2019 South East Regional Convention* will be held in Myrtle Beach South Carolina, **June 9 - 12, 2019**. Learn about all the diverse events of the convention by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/y88yxn8b>

Check out our [facebook page](#) (search for "Central North Carolina Chapter of the American Guild of Organists") for up to the minute announcements, reviews, and information to share. To post on the page, contact Lyn Francisco or Andy Liepins.

Calendar events and details are also available at our web page: <http://cnccago.org/>



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SYNTHIA IN THE SMALL CHURCH: MUSIC DEMONSTRATION

3:00 PM WEDNESDAY, MAY 15 (TIME TENTATIVE)

ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

1210 DIXIE TRAIL, RALEIGH

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Dr. John Schneider will present a brief demonstration of how a small church can continue to have music without an organist. Dr. Schneider operates the Synthia Hymn Player device through a laptop computer during services at St. George's. The Synthia plays hymns and service music through the church's organ and speakers.

At St. George's, Dr. Schneider has been creative in programming hymns as preludes, postludes, and communion music. He sits on the bench during the service and selects different stops on their two manual Rodgers to produce a variety of sounds.

This event is in conjunction with a Synod meeting at St. George's of the Anglican Diocese of the Atlantic States. The demonstration is designed for those lay delegates from small churches who struggle to find organists.

The demonstration will be followed by a service of Evensong; both events are open to the public.



ORGAN DEDICATION CONCERT

FEATURING

DeuxVoix

STEPHEN DISTAD, ORGAN & JUSTIN LANGHAM, TRUMPET

A NEW APPROACH TO A CLASSIC SOUND

**SUNDAY
MAY 19, 2019 | 3:30 PM
CHRIST THE KING
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

600 Walnut Street
Cary, North Carolina 27511

Reception Following
Information: Al Murrell - 443-812-5999



Presented by the Fayetteville-Sandhills Chapter
of the American Guild of Organists



Music

Friday, May 10

Dinner and Music

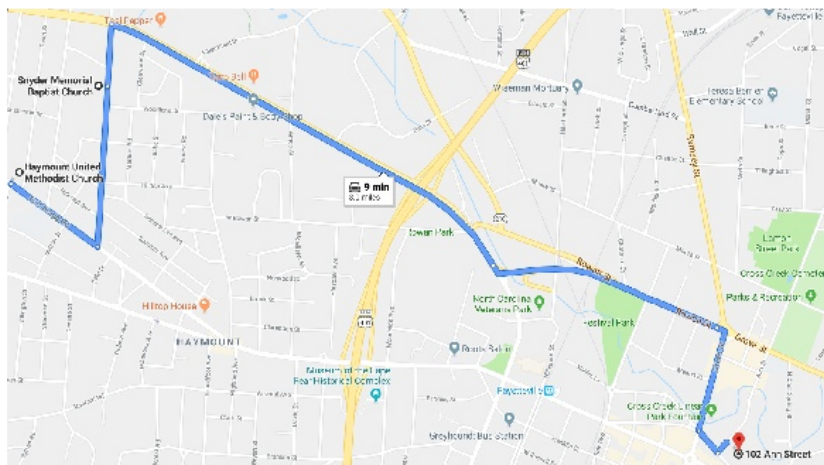
Haymount United Methodist Church at 6:00pm

First Presbyterian Church at 7:10pm

Snyder Memorial Baptist Church at 6:35pm

Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Purchase tickets through Facebook with the QR code below or

Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/progressive-organ-recital-and-dinner-tickets-59974219505>





Of course you are busy making Easter preparations and so are we! However, do you know what else we are busy preparing for that you should be as well?

AGO SE 2019 Regional Convention of course!

Check out our **Featured Artists of the Week**, a significant part of what makes this event so spectacular!

Carolina Master Chorale and Long Bay Symphony will be performing Misa a Buenos Aires by Martin Palmeri and Long Bay Symphony and Caroline Robinson, organist, will be performing Francis Poulenc's Organ Concerto on Tuesday, June 11, 2019.



Carolina Master Chorale



Long Bay Symphony



Caroline Robinson

Don't forget to register soon. Register at www.agose2019.com

Event dates are June 9-12, 2019.

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AVAILABLE POSITIONS

The American Guild of Organists (AGO) provides a professional opportunities service to its members by sharing information about Positions Available. This includes both permanent “open benches” and also one-time “substitute dates.” The Guild cannot endorse or recommend any person for a job or substitute date. Membership in the AGO is open to all who pay dues, regardless of education, experience, ability and/or skills. The AGO Professional Relations Director passes along information, which may include salaries offered by institutions and specifics about jobs/dates, as information is received from an institution. AGO members are encouraged to negotiate salaries and explore options with each offered position. The Central North Carolina Chapter, AGO does not accept responsibility for the accuracy of material provided for these listings, nor does inclusion of information in the listings imply endorsement by the chapter.

It has come to the attention of the Professional Relations Director that we have churches that do not understand that resumes are for the purview of the appropriate search committee. If confidentiality is critical to you, please make it clear in your cover letter that this is a requirement for you, at least in the initial stages of inquiry and dialogue.

If you are seeking a supply organist, the fastest method is to contact the Professional Relations Director with all the pertinent information. When sent to all members by email, many requests are filled within one hour. This method has saved a lot of time otherwise spent in calling an ever-changing list of names. Contact information is listed below.

If you are aware that a church/synagogue position is becoming available, (i.e., you are making a change), please advise the Professional Relations Director as soon as possible for listing and distribution. Contact:

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The Professional Relations Director will neither recommend anyone for a position nor serve as an agent for any member. The Professional Relations Director is always available to members and to hiring institutions for the purpose of answering questions.