



The Principal

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The Dean's Corner

Robert York, Chapter Dean

Greetings! As this is my first Dean's Corner, I'm learning as I go so thanks for your patience as I learn.

First of all, welcome to Hyunju Huang, our new Sub-Dean and thanks to our Board members and all who volunteer their time to make our Chapter run efficiently as we enter a new season.

We start our season with our annual potluck so save the date for this fun time of fellowship!

WHEN: Sunday, September 8, 2019, 5pm.

WHERE: Home of Sean O'Neal

1119 E. 46th St., Long Beach

Bring whatever you fancy, we always have great food!

October brings the silent film *Hunchback of Notre Dame* with improvised organ accompaniment, a jointly sponsored event with First Congregational Church in Long Beach. Come in costume, bring friends. The church is opening this as a community outreach so invite everyone and anyone you think of.

Our goal via the film: create a fun experience of the pipe organ for those who have never experienced the organ, especially young people and those not affiliated with a church. *This is how we can build future members.*

On that note, we are sponsoring a wonderful program, POE in 2020. There will be more about that in each newsletter; it takes a lot of planning but is essential in creating church organists of the future.

Our chapter must continue to grow. For that reason I am asking for volunteers to serve on a committee dedicated to publicity, advertisement and promotion that extends beyond our AGO world. We must never tire in creating new ways to present the organ to those who have never heard it those who might

be interested in what we do. If you have a desire to make this a reality, please let me know. I'd like this to get rolling in September.

It's an exciting season. So much more to come!

Robert York, Dean

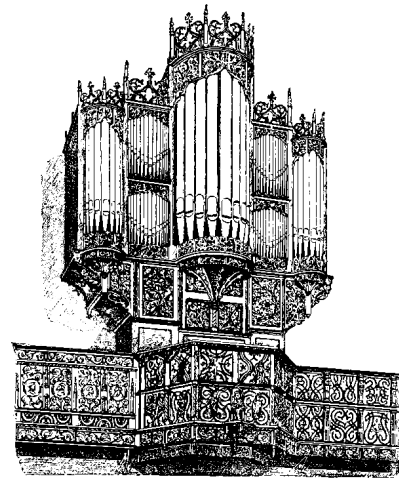
This Month's Meeting

Our first chapter meeting for the season will be a potluck dinner on Sunday, September 8, 2019 at 5 pm at the home of Sean O'Neal, 1199 E. 46th Street, Long Beach, 90807. Please bring food to share.

Don't forget to Renew your AGO Membership!

If you have not done so, please renew your membership through the AGOHQ website.

You should have received an email from National Headquarters with instructions.



How you receive *The Principal*

Can you help our chapter save some money?

If you receive the newsletter by US mail monthly and are willing to receive it by email only, this would save time and money for the Chapter.

Please email:

JHHL@toast.net

with your preference. Thank you!

2019-2020 Season

Sunday, September 8, 2019 - 5:00 pm

Potluck Dinner

Sean O'Neal host

1119 E. 46th St., Long Beach

Sunday, October 27, 2019 - 6:00 pm

Phantom of the Opera - Silent Film

First Congregational Church

241 Cedar Avenue, Long Beach

5:30 Pre-show no-host snacks in courtyard

Costumes encouraged

Marc Dickey, host

Saturday, November 16, 2019 - 10:00 am

Tom Mueller Lecture and Masterclass

Composers, performance practice, and student demonstrations.

Covenant Presbyterian Church

607 E. Third Street, Long Beach

Peter Bates, host

December, 2019

No meeting, but a fellowship gathering has been suggested by several. Please feel free to organize this if you have ideas!

Tuesday, January 7, 2020 - 7:30 pm

New Organ Music With Russ Litchfield

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

1648 W. 9th Street, San Pedro

Rich Metzler, host

Dinner at 6:30 pm

Sunday, February 23, 2020 - 2:00 pm

Gregoire Roland in Concert

First Congregational Church

241 Cedar Avenue, Long Beach

Tuesday, March 3, 2020 - 7:30 pm

Celebration Of Louis Vierne - Members' Recital

Covenant Presbyterian Church

607 E. Third Street, Long Beach

Peter Bates, host

Dinner at 6:30 pm

NO MEETING IN APRIL

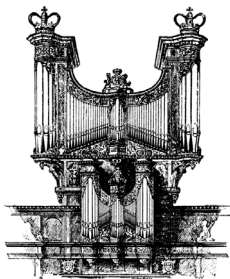
Sunday, May 3, 2020 - 4:00 pm

Guild Service and Installation of Officers

St. Cross Episcopal Church

1818 Monterey Blvd., Hermosa Beach

Sean O'Neal, host



Pipe Organ Encounter

The dates are June 28 through July 3, 2020. We are limiting registrants to 15 students ages 13-18. The committee has met twice and is working on the myriad tasks in order to prepare for the week. Committee members are:

Director: Hyunju Hwang

Facilities Coordinators: David York, Carol McDaniel

Faculty Coordinators: Karla Devine, Robert York

Funding Coordinator: Vern Mouw

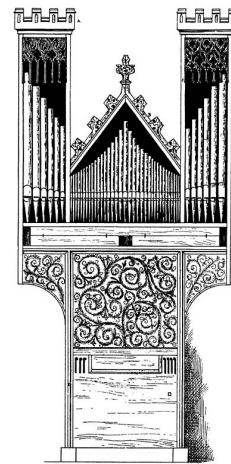
Publicity Coordinator: Russ Litchfield

Secretary and Registrar: Jana Shields, Emily Lacina

Service Coordinator (housing, meals, transportation, activities): Peter Bates

Treasurer: Dolly Ickler

As we get closer you will be asked to help out with some task, small or great. Please say yes! If possible, please clear your calendar for the week of June 28-July 3, 2020. We will need all hands if we are going to have a successful Pipe Organ Encounter. The future of the organ art is at stake.



Resources and Repertoire

Pipe Organ Encounters

Some of you may not know much about Pipe Organ Encounters. Here is a link to the first of a series of videos, produced by Brett Johnson of the Organ Media Foundation, of this year's POE in St. Louis.

Brett produces quite an assortment of other organ related videos on a variety of pipe organs.

<https://youtu.be/R8fMBSBh3D8>

Carolynshymns

Most of us accompany or lead hymn singing in our churches and some of us select the hymns that are sung. We probably sing mostly familiar hymns most of the time but there are certainly a number of fine hymn writers that produce hymns that are contemporary and

relevant to current events. Here is a link to one hymn writer you may not be aware of. Carolyn Winfrey Gillette is a Presbyterian minister (as is her husband, Bruce). She is prolific in writing texts that relate to lectionary readings and frequently responds to issues and events by writing a hymn. Visit her website carolynshymns.com

Two of her latest hymns, "If We Just Talk of thoughts and Prayers" and "O God, You Give Us Neighbors," address recent events. Carolyn makes it easy to obtain permission to reprint her hymns and sometimes offers them freely.

Items for Publication

Please remember to submit items for publication in *The Principal* to Russ Litchfield by the 15th of the month preceding month of publication.

From the Press Room

James H. H. Lampert, Typesetting, Printing, and Circulation

(Note: Any opinions expressed in this column are strictly those of the author)

Let me begin by saying that I'm delighted that you've seen fit to continue using my services with *The Principal*.

October Issue Heads-Up

My Fall Vacation is scheduled to begin on September 26th, so I must be ready to go to press by **September 24th** at the latest. While I demonstrated last fall that I can assemble and mail the print edition, and email the PDF edition, from my hotel, *the pages and the PDF must exist before I leave*, in order for me to do that!

Regarding our upcoming POE, I've been attending the meetings, and it looks like it is in good hands. While I have neither the skills nor the contacts for a leadership role, I have pledged to do anything I'm called upon to do (and have done some of it already), and suggested a private tour of the International Printing Museum as an extracurricular activity, with special emphasis on how scores have been printed over the years. I will probably only be attending meetings on an "as needed" basis, but I remain at the Committee's disposal, and I urge everybody else to do their part as well.

Regarding our new Dean's promotion initiative, I agree, and humbly suggest that *The Principal* can and should be part of this: part of promoting the Chapter, the AGO, and the organ, is promoting our concerts and recitals. *If you have an event, please let Russ know about*

it, far enough in advance that we can mention it! Likewise, if you need flyers, I can provide them within a day or two of finding out about the event.

I've reprinted the illustration I published in January of 2018, of what an "Instant Flyer" can look

The Pan-Denominational Church of
Saint Agnostopoulous
presents the Dedicatory Recital of our new
Nightingale Organ



with guest artist

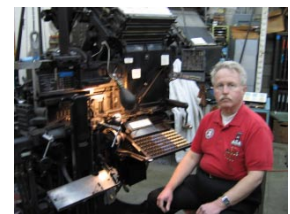
Dr. Jennifer Schweitzer

performing works of Bach, Sweelinck,
Noel Rawsthorne, Pamela Decker,
and Barbara Dennerlein

7:30 PM, Sunday, Frobruary 32, 2019
St. Agnostopoulos, 3.14 Park Blvd, Springfield

like. Likewise, if you need somebody to do programs for your event, we can help there, too, as anybody who attended Randall Harlow's February 2018 recital at First Congregational can attest.

James H. H. Lampert
Typesetting, Printing, and Circulation



Southern California AGO Tri-Chapter Calendar

Sun Aug 11, 2019

7:30 pm Steve Main, Organist

Where: Stan's Music Parlor

Mr. Main performs music of Buxtehude, Pachelbel, Bruhns, Bach, and Vierne on Hauptwerk virtual pipe organs. To receive an invitation with address, please send your email address to Stan at seh52@yahoo.com. Donation to musician.

Sat Aug 31, 2019

7:30 pm Thomas Mellan, Organist

Where: Stan's Music Parlor

Mr. Mellan plays a Bach-themed program on select Hauptwerk virtual pipe organs. Private residence in mid-city Los Angeles. Donation to musician. To receive an invitation, please send your email address to Stan Harris at seh52@yahoo.com.

Sun Sep 15, 2019

7:30 pm Nambee Han, Organist

Where: Stan's Music Parlor

Dr. Han plays great organ literature on Hauptwerk virtual pipe organs. To be invited to Stan Harris' private residence, please send your email address to seh52@yahoo.com. Donation to musician.

Sat Sep 21, 2019

7:00 pm Concert & Reception

Where:

Organ Concert & Reception celebrating the completion of organ Opus 1 just completed by Erich Hoerber & Linda Pianigiani. Hollywood. For location, RSVP to ehoerber@yahoo.com with name and number of seats. Free.

7:30 pm Paul Kellogg, Organist

Where: Stan's Music Parlor

Mr. Kellogg performs organ literature of three centuries on period-appropriate Hauptwerk virtual pipe organs. Private residence. To receive an invitation with address, please send your email address to Stan Harris at seh52@yahoo.com. Donation to musician.

Sat Oct 5, 2019

7:30 pm Ed Murray, Organist

Where: Stan's Music Parlor

Mr. Murray selects Hauptwerk organs to perform great organ music. Private residence. To receive an invitation, please send your email address to Stan Harris at seh52@yahoo.com. Donation to musician.

Sun Oct 6, 2019

5:00 pm Choral Evensong

Where: All Saints Episcopal Church 504 N Camden Dr Beverly Hills CA

Music of Walker, Leighton, Dyson and Gardiner. Craig Phillips, director, Jason Klein-Mendoza, organist. Free.

Tue Oct 15, 2019

7:30 pm Mark Husey, Organist

Where: Private Residence

Concert performed on Hauptwerk virtual pipe organs. Private residence, Lafayette Square, Los Angeles 90019. For invitation, please send email address to seh52@yahoo.com. Donation to organist.

Sun Nov 3, 2019

5:00 pm Choral Evensong

Where: All Saints Episcopal Church 504 N Camden Dr Beverly Hills CA 90210

Music of Tavener, Rose, Willcocks and Halley. Craig Phillips, director, Jason Klein-Mendoza, organist. Free.

Sat Nov 9, 2019

5:00 pm Kemp L. Smeal, Organist

Where: Glendale City Church 610 E California Avenue Glendale, CA 91206

Freewill donation.

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Freewill donation.

Sun Dec 1, 2019

5:00 pm Advent Lessons and Carols

Where: All Saints Episcopal Church 504 N Camden Dr Beverly Hills CA

Music of Palestrina, Ledger, Tye, Poston, Goudimel, Phillips, Cleobury and Britten. Craig Phillips, director, Jason Klein-Mendoza, organist. Free.

Sun Jan 26, 2020

5:00 pm Choral Evensong

Where: All Saints Episcopal Church 504 N Camden Dr Beverly Hills CA

Music of Wood, Phillips and Conte. Craig Phillips, director, Jason Klein-Mendoza, organist. Free.

7:30 pm Emil Iliev, Organist

Where: Stan's Music Parlor

Concert performed on Hauptwerk virtual pipe organs. Private residence, Lafayette Square, Los Angeles 90019. For invitation, please send email address to seh52@yahoo.com. Donation to organist.

Sun Mar 1, 2020

5:00 pm Choral Evensong

Where: All Saints Episcopal Church 504 N Camden Dr Beverly Hills CA

Music of Byrd, Smith, Purcell and Moore. Craig Phillips, director, Jason Klein-Mendoza, organist. Free.

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