

The Tracker

A publication of the
Knoxville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists



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.



*Webb School Madrigal Singers
St. John's Lutheran Church
Monday, December 7
Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.
Program will begin at 7:00 p.m.*

Dean's Message



As we approach the end of the year 2015, I am pleased to report that your Knoxville AGO Chapter is stronger than ever. In fact, we currently have over 80 members. You have demonstrated your dedication to our profession and to the organization that represents us by your attendance at our programs and by your contributions in monetary donations and in participation. We are truly a group of people who care about organ music.

Our December program promises to help prepare us for the celebration of joy in the coming Christmas season. We will continue this celebration as we gather for fellowship and food at our January party at the approximate time of Epiphany. Then the program year really kicks into gear with a Student Organ Encounter followed by a series of outstanding programs the rest of the year with attention being given to “season-appropriate” content and variety of locations. Let’s celebrate our fellowship and also bring a guest to share the music we offer.

Deborah Sanders

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We hope your holiday preparations are going well. This coming monthly meeting is our holiday dinner featuring the Webb School Madrigal Singers at St. John's Lutheran Church on Monday, December 6th. Be ready for this blast from the past. Dinner begins at 6:30pm and the festivities and frolic will begin at 7:00pm. This will be a great opportunity to bring out your friends and family for a great dinner and entertainment.



January 2016 AGO Meeting
Monday, January 4
5:30-7:30 p.m.
Epiphany Gathering
at the home of
Debbie Sousa
721 East Fox Den Drive
Farragut, TN

Please bring an appetizer and/or drink to share!

We will have time to relax after the holidays, see friends and finish with a carol sing along....

See you there!! Debbie

Knoxville AGO Chapter will host a **Student Organ Encounter Day** on Monday, January 18 at University of Tennessee from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. If you know of any young students who are taking instrumental music lessons, please encourage them to attend!

Knoxville Chapter, American Guild of Organists

STUDENT ORGAN ENCOUNTER DAY

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Cox Auditorium (Alumni Memorial Building)

10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., Monday, January 18, 2016

Registration Form

The registration form will be sent by separate Constant Contact. It may be filled out in Microsoft Word, or you may print it and fill it out by hand. Include area codes with phone numbers. Submit your registration form as indicated at the bottom of the form. The Student Organ Encounter Day, for piano students ages 8 to 18, will be limited to 30 student attendees, selected on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please bring a paper copy of this registration form with parent's signature to the event registration on January 18. The fee of \$15 is to be paid at the event.

Parents and teachers are welcome to observe. If you would like to join us for lunch, we ask that you also pay the registration fee.

You may send the form as an e-mail attachment to:

Terry Danner, registrar (tadanner@charter.net)

or mail:

12508 Camdenbridge Dr.

Farragut, TN 37934

For additional information, you may call Ms. Danner at (865) 675-2933.



Student Organ Encounter Day

Monday, January 18, 2016

10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

The University of Tennessee
Cox Auditorium inside
Alumni Memorial Building



- An opportunity for piano students aged 8 through 18 to learn about the pipe organ!
 - Pizza lunch included
 - Space limited to the first 30 responses
 - Advanced registration required
 - \$10 fee due at the event

For more information or to register, contact
Terrye Danner at tadanner@charter.net
www.knoxago.org





THE 2016 AGO NATIONAL CONVENTION will showcase vibrant performances, world-class instruments, enlightening workshops, creative new music and inspiring worship. There will be many opportunities to meet fellow musicians and create dynamic connections. All AGO members, convention-goers, and their guests will find a warm welcome at the 2016 AGO

National Convention in Houston, at the Hilton Americas-Houston, at all convention venues, and throughout our exciting city. This is a convention you won't want to miss!

Please begin by visiting our "Welcome to Houston" page.
(<http://ago-website.keystonereresources.modxcloud.com/blog/2015/10/14/welcome-to-ago-houston-2016/>)

Don't forget to sign up for the newsletter before you leave.
(<http://pinterest.us8.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=89e08c29509e8950d489be3db&id=6f8608e296>)

Registration is now open. We are excited to offer a variety of registration options for members. The sooner you register, the more you can save!
Super-Saver Registration October 15 - December 31, 2015
Early Registration from January 1 – March 14, 2016
Regular Registration from March 15 – May 14, 2016
Final Registration from May 15 through the convention

We'll keep you up-to-date on preparations for the convention. We look forward to seeing you in Houston next June.

**american guild of organists
national convention
June 19 – 23, 2016
Houston, Texas**



Advent Lessons and Carols

In a time of introspection and waiting for the coming of Christ into the darkness of our world, Advent Lessons and Carols encapsulates the essence of Advent.

December 2

First United Methodist Church

1350 Oak Ridge Turnpike
Oak Ridge, TN
6:15 p.m.

December 6

Church Street UMC

900 Henley Street
Knoxville, TN
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Music of Advent and Christmas led by the Church Street Children's and Youth Choirs

Church of the Ascension

800 South Northshore Drive
Knoxville, TN
5:30 p.m.

The service features the Parish Choir, the Ascension Singers, and the Boys and Girls Choir.

Farragut Presbyterian Church

209 Jamestowne Boulevard
Knoxville, TN
6:00 p.m.

St. Andrew's Episcopal

314 West Broadway Avenue
Maryville, TN
6:00 p.m.

December 13

First Presbyterian Church

620 State Street
Knoxville, TN
11:00 a.m.

Church Street UMC

900 Henley Street
Knoxville, TN
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

A service of Music and Readings by the Parish Adult Choir with the Brasswinds Quintet

Westminster Presbyterian Church

6500 South Northshore Drive
Knoxville, TN
5:00 p.m.

St. Stephens Episcopal

212 North Tulane Avenue
Oak Ridge, TN
5:00 p.m.

The service follows one established at King's College, Cambridge University, UK.

Catered dinner following at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner will be catered/\$10 per person

Reservations required: sign up online or outside the Nave

December 20

First Presbyterian Church

1051 Oak Ridge Turnpike
Oak Ridge, TN
10:00 a.m.

Sequoyah Hills Presbyterian

3700 Keowee Ave SW

Knoxville, TN

Chancel Choir Christmas Concert is on at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 2

7:00 p.m.

Community Church at Tellico Village

130 Chota View Trce, Loudon, TN

A Community Church Christmas

Sun., Dec. 13, 2015 • 7:00 p.m.

The Choirs and ringers of the Community Church once again join with members of the Knoxville Symphony to present a holiday concert of carols, orchestral works, and sing-alongs to inspire and delight.

New Providence Presbyterian

703 West Broadway Avenue

Maryville, TN

Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 13

11:00 a.m.

This is only a partial list of all the concerts and events that occur during the Holiday Season. Please check the following links for other events:

<http://www.music.utk.edu/events/>

<http://www.knoxvillesymphony.com/events/>

<http://www.roanestate.edu/?5585-Roane-State-Presents-Performing-and-Visual-Arts>

<http://www.pstcc.edu/calendar/arts>



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Yearbooks are available and will be distributed at the December meeting.

Need a Sub!! Here is a list of those available in our area.

John Brantley	brantleyjf@comcast.net	865-617-3174
John Brock	jbrock@utk.edu	865-577-7153
Joy Fournier	sergefournier@att.com	
Beverly Landguth	bevlandguth141@gmail.com	865-671-3797
Nancy Wells	nwells07@att.net	865-686-3355

***** Dinner Reservations *****

Please make your dinner reservations for

December 7, 2015
St. John's Lutheran
Knoxville, TN

No later than
Thursday, December 3

Cost \$12.00

By contacting
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865-282-9986
andrew@knoxvilleascension.org