

**COMING EVENT**

Our next event will be the first one of the new season. This year we are not having an event in September, so the first event will be an **OCTOBERFEST** on **Saturday, October 6**. This will be a day long event with morning and afternoon workshops and a hot lunch at noon time. Featured clinicians will be Rick Erickson from New York City [improvisation skills and hymn application], Judy Congdon from Houghton College [organ literature for Sunday services, weddings, and funerals], and Lorraine Brugh from Valparaiso University [global music for choirs]. All of the details about this event will be in the October *Bombarde*, but put this on your calendar now — to save the date.

**The Next Board Meeting** will be a picnic, on Friday, July 27, for past and newly elected members — time and place to be announced later, but it on your calendar now. It is important to be at this meeting — for apporving the budget. **PLEASE BE SURE to let Caryn Lawler know if you are unable to attend (lawer.caryn@gmail.com / 838-2385).**

**FROM PROFESSIONAL CONCERNS**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** if you are asked to sub, or see an ad, for the position at a church where you suspect that the organist (an AGO member) was suddenly dismissed for no reason, it is recommended that you check with Professional Concerns before accepting or applying for the position.

– E. Gardner, Professional Concerns chair

**TO THOSE WHO SUBSTITUTE . . .**

If you are currently on the chapter's substitute list and want to continue being on that list, you will need to fill out the Substitute Service Information form on the back of the enclosed/attached **Membership Renewal form**. Otherwise, your name will be removed from the list of those available to substitute. This is done every year to keep this list as up-to-date as possible. **PLEASE NOTE** that you will need to **mail this form to Marge Metz**. Please mail the form as soon as possible — especially if you can help by subbing during the summer months.

**MEMBERSHIP LIST UP-DATE**

Change e-mail address for Ross Stretton to:

rosorg16@hotmail.com &/or musdir@stpaulsoakville.com

Add new member: Constance Allison, 18 Hickory Hill Road,

Williamsville, NY 14221 532-8914

constance.allison@gmail.com

**BOMBARDE DEADLINES**

Please note these dates  
for your articles and Date Docket material:

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline Date</u>
October . . . . .	September 1

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**FROM THE DEAN**

Greetings, everyone – Well, the Easter music is stored away for another year, and we're looking forward to Pentecost, Ascension, and the upcoming summer season. (Speaking of summer, how about that snow on April 16th!).

It is hard to believe that this is my last “From the Dean” article. My term ends June 30, and I look forward to seeing the chapter prosper in the capable hands of our new Dean and other officers. It has truly been an honor to serve as your SubDean and Dean during the last four years. I greatly appreciate all the support I received. So many of you are willing to serve on the Executive Committee, chair committees, host events, chair events, participate in recitals, help with receptions, and other activities. I believe we have a wonderful chapter, and it has been a privilege to be able to serve.

We enjoyed an outstanding recital presented by Robert Duerr on Sunday, April 22. From Bach to Paul Manz, we enjoyed an interesting and beautiful program. Our thanks to Robert for this treat. It was particularly great to be able to hear the pieces by Nils Vigeland, and it was wonderful that he was able to attend the event and reception. We also would like to thank Richard Herr and Westminster Presbyterian Church for hosting the event and providing a nice reception after the recital. It was very well attended – the entire church was filled!

Our remaining event this season is the Annual Meeting and Dinner at Church of the Nativity on Colvin Boulevard. We will be electing new officers at the meeting. Thank you to Carole Harris for hosting and chairing the event.

I wish everyone a wonderful (and perhaps less hectic) summer, and thanks again for all the support I received during the past four years. I'll see you at the Annual Meeting.

– Curt Holmes, CAGO, Dean

**Thank you Curt for a job well done !**

**CHRIS SNYDER**, who has been our chapter Secretary since 1998, is leaving that position now. We thank you Chris for fourteen years of faithful service . . . **another job well done !**

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

Long time member **Bernice Wolf** died Wednesday, April 18 at age 89. There will be a Memorial Service for Bernice on Saturday, June 16, 2012, 2:00 PM. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 4007 Main St. Eggertsville (Amherst) 14226. Flowers are gratefully declined. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Bernice studied piano with Sister Emmanuel at the Sacred Heart Academy, and organ with John Beiswenger who was the organist at St. Paul's in the 1940's. She was substitute organist at St. Paul's from about 1945 to 1998, and she sang in the choir there for over 70 years! She also substituted in many area churches. Bernice joined the Buffalo Chapter AGO in 1966 and served as Secretary from 1973-1984. She also served for many years as Substitute Chair, on various committees, and hosted many board meetings at her home.

**A WORD FROM OUR HISTORIAN**

If you have a program or worship bulletin you would like to see included in the Archives, feel free to send it to me. Photographs and newspaper clippings are also welcome. Send to David Carmer, 73 S. Main St., Middleport, NY 14105-1313.

– David Carmer, Historian

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**FOR Secretary:** CARYN LAWLER has been a Lutheran parish musician for about 30 years, serving two parishes in Ohio before coming to Buffalo in 1988. She was organist, choir director, and director of the handbell choir at Trinity Lutheran Church in East Amherst for about 15 years, and now is the pastoral musician at Augustana Lutheran Church in Tonawanda. Her bachelor's degree in church music was awarded by Capital University in 1988 in Columbus, Ohio. She currently serves the Buffalo AGO Chapter as a member of the Program Committee, Registrar and submits the chapter event reports to TAO.

### POSITIONS OPEN . . .

**Note:** Only churches providing F.I.C.A. and Workers' Compensation as well as Unemployment and Disability Insurance are listed, and a written contract will be provided for all positions listed unless otherwise noted.

#### Previously Listed – Still Open

Organist: Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Lockport  
Organist: St. David's Episcopal Church, West Seneca (2-3Sun's./month)  
Organist: Immanuel Lutheran Church (LCMS), East Aurora  
Organist: Akron First United Methodist Church, Akron  
Director for the Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus – [see complete description of the position on our web site – [www.agobuffalo.org](http://www.agobuffalo.org)]

PLEASE NOTE: For information about Roman Catholic Church positions please call Alan Lukas at 652-6565

IMPORTANT: You are reminded that listing of positions in this newsletter does not imply endorsement by the Buffalo Chapter A.G.O. or any of its committees. Appropriateness of a position must be judged by the applicant him/herself. For help with this, you may wish to contact the Placement Chair for additional information about a position and/or consult with a member who previously held the position. You are also reminded to be very cautious about accepting a position without a written contract.

### DATE DOCKET . . . a listing of members events

All events are free unless otherwise noted

Sunday, May 6, 4:00 PM – St. Luke Lutheran Church, Union and Maryvale, Cheektowaga – The Lutheran Chorale of the Niagara Frontier – 25th Anniversary Concert – *Schubert Mass in G* and the world premier of an Andrew Martin Smith composition written for the occasion (former directors: Gregory White and Tim Kenney participating) – Thomas J. Mudd, Jr., Director; Tickets: \$12 adults & seniors /\$10 students

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, LOCKPORT – EVENTS:

Friday, May 18, 7:30 PM – Harmonia Singers  
Saturday, June 30, 7:30 PM – Land of Lakes Choirboys  
(and July 1 at the 10:30 AM worship service)

#### ORCHARD PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH – EVENTS:

Friday, May 4, 7:30 PM – Svyati Duo - Julian Collins, Organ and Rebecca Hews, Cello on their U.S. Tour from London, England; Admission: \$10  
Sunday, May 6, 1:30 PM – Live from Fredonia – Soloists of the Sanctuary Choir – **In-Concert** (varied repertoire sung by four outstanding vocalists from the Fredonia School of Music) Admission: \$10

#### ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, BUFFALO – EVENTS:

go to: [stpaulscathedral.org](http://stpaulscathedral.org) and click on 'Music'

**LOG ON TO:** [www.OrgAlt.com](http://www.OrgAlt.com) for listings of organ recitals in Western New York & across Canada. Send your listings to: [info@orgalt.com](mailto:info@orgalt.com)/416-356-3138 or 103 King St., Georgetown, Ontario, CANADA L7G 2G8



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### SINGLE SLATE OF OFFICERS:

DEAN	Christina Shrewsbury
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TREASURER	Roger Dahl
REGISTRAR	Caryn Lawler
LIBRARIAN	Marlene Harrington
HISTORIAN	David Carmer
AUDITORS	Robert Hull Edward Witul
CHAPLAIN	TBA

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (vote for three):

- Elaine Apczynski
- Diane Green
- Joanne Jasinski
- Joel Kumro
- Joyce Mathis
- Timothy Socha

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ELECTION: SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2012 at  
Church of the Nativity U.C.C.  
1530 Colvin Blvd.  
Kenmore, New York 14223  
POLLS CLOSE at 6:00 PM

Those wishing to vote by proxy, please  
SIGN the ballot and mail it to the Chapter  
Secretary – Christine Snyder  
512 Roycroft Blvd., Cheektowaga, NY 14225  
The Secretary will detach this stub  
before casting the ballot.

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Signature by proxy vote

[Mail by May 15, 2012]

**PLEASE don't overlook the Membership Renewal form that is enclosed/attached with this newsletter, and please fill in all applicable parts of the form — front and back even if you have given us this information in the past.**

**Renewals are due by June 30.**