



The Prelude

February 2021

Chapter Dean, Tom Curry, sent a letter of resignation to the Executive Committee in November. With regret, the Committee accepted his resignation at their January meeting. Charlotte Mariasy, sub-dean, has agreed to be the Chapter dean. The Executive Committee is sorry that Tom is not able to continue as dean. We thank him for his wonderful work as sub-dean the past years.

## **Virtual Wine and Cheese Reception and Annual Chapter Meeting Sunday, February 21 - 3:00 PM**

Following the success of our virtual organ crawl, the Executive Committee is planning a virtual Chapter meeting via Zoom.

New members will briefly introduce themselves to the Chapter. Members in attendance will be invited to share some of the successes and struggles encountered during the past year of COVID. Matt Meinke will share some insights from the recent Chapter Leadership Conference. And there will be some fun games as well as time for some general catching up on the latest news!

If you have never attended a Zoom meeting, do not fear! We have experienced people on the Executive Committee that can answer any questions. Matt Meinke has offered to assist anyone who would like a brief Zoom tutorial. You can contact him at [matt7okc@gmail.com](mailto:matt7okc@gmail.com).

In advance of the meeting members will receive an email from the Chapter with a link to Zoom and a password for the meeting. Just click on the link and follow the instructions. If you have never used Zoom you will

be asked to download it to your computer, which is a very quick and easy task.

Watch your email for the invitation and password! Hope to see many of you there!

## **From Denise Mathias, Education Chair**

### **John Depinet wins scholarship**

John Depinet, from Norwalk, Ohio has been awarded a \$450 Scholarship for his organ studies. John submitted his audio file and was evaluated by judges Pam Davis, Joan McConnell, and Mark Mathias.

John is a high school senior, and is preparing auditions for college entrance. He currently serves a Norwalk church as organist, and plans a career in church music. John's teacher is Mark Niese, also of Norwalk. Congratulations, John!

### **Student Recital planned**

A Student Recital is planned, to feature our student organists and 2019/2021 Scholarship Winners. Because of the pandemic, current plans are not definite, but tentative plans are for a date in June. Since the 2020 Student/Scholarship Winner Recital was canceled, we plan to have the 2019 winners perform, along with our current scholarship winner. This recital is also open to all organ students of Toledo AGO members.

One possibility that is being considered is to do the recital virtually. The Toledo AGO has a YouTube channel, and video files can be uploaded. If you are interested in a virtual, or an in-person recital, please contact Denise Mathias, 330-432-8528, [dsnivermathias@yahoo.com](mailto:dsnivermathias@yahoo.com). Decisions will be made based on site availability, the state of the pandemic, and calendar issues. *If you have a student that would like to perform, feel free to share your thoughts!*

## **Job Posting**

**Hope Lutheran Church** (Toledo) is seeking an organist/ accompanist for our traditional worship service. Position includes Sunday worship at 11 AM, mid-week choir rehearsals after Covid, and worship during Lent and festivals. Ideal candidate will have some familiarity with a tracker organ and be available for funerals and weddings. Contact the office for the full job description or to submit your resume. [office@hopetoledo.net](mailto:office@hopetoledo.net)

## AGO Educational (and Fun!) offerings

The AGOYO (American Guild of Organists Young Organists) continues their virtual programs with a tour of the Wanamaker Organ in Philadelphia. These can be viewed [HERE](#) and a full list of programs can be found at [AGO Fridays at Noon](#).

### Membership Directory, 2020-2021

An updated Chapter Directory has been posted on the website. Thanks, everyone, for your help in keeping us connected!

Joan McConnell, membership chair

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