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Hear
Paul Oakley
Play
Four-Manual
E.M. Skinner
at Oct. 7
Hymn Festival

A large four-manual E.M. Skinner organ has been moved to the Sandy Springs United Methodist Church, and will be heard publicly for the first time in early October.

Paul Oakley will lead a hymn festival for us and members of the

American Institute of Organbuilders on Tuesday, October 7. Plan now to attend and enjoy a delicious meal, meet AIO conventioneers, and sing with this newlyinstalled instrument.

For more information about the 46-rank E. M. Skinner inaugural concert and the AIO convention, see Jeff Harbin's article on page 4 and Phil Parkey's article on page 3.

Menu

Pork Dijonaise
California Veggie Blend W/ Garlic Sauce
Scalloped Potatoes
Apple or Pecan Pie
Caesar Salad
Rolls



Paul Oakley Hymn Festival

Sandy Springs United Methodist Church

86 Mt. Vernon Hwy, NE (404) 255-1181 (for emergency use only, not for reservations) Woody Talley, host

\$10

Reservation Deadline Thursday, October 2

→(404) 233-7206**←**

<d_barber@bellsouth.net>
Telephone coordinator (770) 496-0719

Tuesday, October 7

6:00 PM Punch Bowl 6:30 PM Dinner/Meeting 8:00 PM Hymn Festival

Map on page 2. For driving directions, see www.mapquest.com

In This Issue

A yearbook update is on pages 5 and 6. Please note the important program corrections on page 5, and place the sheet in your yearbook.

An application for participation in the Alan Morrison Masterclass is on page 4. It will be on Saturday, November 15 at First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta. Send your application to Sub-dean Joanne Brown.

The Organizer

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Dinner Reservations

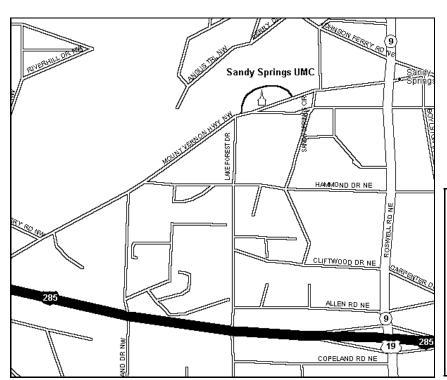
Please honor the dinner reservation deadline, and provide the name of your guests. If you must cancel a standing reservation, please do so by the deadline. Most of you did a great job in September. **Thanks!**

Catharine Crozier

Catharine Crozier had a massive stroke on Monday, Sept. 15, and then died Friday, Sept. 19.

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From the Editor

Thanks to Keith Huffstetter for his help with processing the September issue of *The Organizer* for mailing.

The September issue of *The Organizer* was sent by Email to all members for whom we have Email addresses. Many members received it easily, but the file was too large for many others. We are still working to improve the process so that all will be able to receive it. Please be patient and check the yearbook to be sure we have your correct Email address.

Important Information

Dinner Reservations Chapter Web site National Web site (404) 233-7206 <www.agoatlanta.org> <www.AGOHQ.org>

Executive Board Meeting

Saturday, October 18 9:30 AM First Baptist Church of Decatur 308 Clairemont Avenue Decatur

October 2003

From the Dean

Greetings! What a wonderful turn out for our first meeting. We had a number of new members and we are glad to have you. I hope that each of our returning members will continue to take a moment and say hello to the new members.



My thanks to Sarah Hawbecker and Redeemer Lutheran Church for providing their facility and preparing the Guild Service. A job well done.

As we move into October, I know you are busy preparing for the Season of Advent and Christmas. Where has the time gone this year? In your upcoming schedule, note our next meeting in October is the **first** Tuesday of the month. The date is **October 7**th. date change is to allow our program to coincide with the American Institute of Organbuilders (AIO) Convention, running from October 5-8, 2003. Atlanta will be the host city for this convention. The Board felt it would be appropriate to invite the AIO to be our guests at our October meeting. This will be an excellent opportunity for our Guild to open its doors for the organbuilders we work with. Our program will be under the direction of Paul Oakley from Myers Park Baptist Church in Charlotte, North Carolina, Paul is a talented organist and hymnist. He will lead us through a Hymnfest Workshop at Sandy Springs United Methodist Church. I have attended Paul's programs in the past and know that you will find this one very valuable and enlightening. Please plan to attend. The number of reservations we already have from the AIO speaks well of Paul Oakley's recognition. Sandy Springs United Methodist Church will also host an opening recital for the AIO convention on Sunday afternoon, October 5th; this is an inaugural concert on the 4manual, 46-rank E.M. Skinner Organ. The concert artist for Sunday afternoon is Todd Wilson. I am sure it promises to be an exciting program. Don't miss this opportunity to hear Todd Wilson.

If you attended our September meeting, you should have received your yearbook. Alas, even with the best of efforts, we have a couple of errors on page 15. You need to note the corrections that will be given by the Sub-Dean and printed in the newsletter.

Regarding our newsletter, this month's newsletter should have arrived by both e-mail and US Mail. If you did not get last month's e-mail copy, two things may have happened: either we do not have your correct e-mail address, or the file did not get through your Internet Service Provider. We are working on ways to streamline the size of the newsletter for e-mail purposes to eliminate last month's glitches. By December, those with e-mail capability will receive the letter via e-mail only unless otherwise requested. We have received a number of good comments about the electronic newsletter last month. Thanks to Betty Williford for tackling this project.

During our September meeting, we received a brief update from Melissa Casper, our POE Chair. Plans are moving ahead for our POE program in 2004. I hope you will take the opportunity to be involved.

Keith Nash has been appointed the Coordinator of our Chapter Scholarship Competition. He is the Organist/Choirmaster at Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish in Decatur. Keith will be working on the Competition Program for sometime next spring. Scholarship awards are given to the winners for their continued studies in organ. All teachers and instructors who have organ students are encouraged to contact Keith regarding applications. The preparation might also provide another study focus for your students throughout the coming year. We have much to do this year and some excellent programs ahead. I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting. Be sure to note dates and time for the November meeting. See you in October!

PHIL PARKEY, Dean

American Institute of Organbuilders

The 30th Annual Convention of the American Institute of Organbuilders will be held in Atlanta October 5-9 at the Sheraton Colony Square Hotel. The AIO is an educational organization dedicated to advancing the art of organ building "by discussion, inquiry, research, experiment and other means." Many Atlanta-area churches and concert venues will be featured throughout the week with demonstrations by local artists. Lectures will be given on a variety of topics including acoustics, actions, and console controls. In addition to the joint meeting with the Atlanta AGO Chapter on Tuesday, October 7, the AIO is hosting a recital by organist Todd Wilson on Sunday, October 5 at 3:00 p.m., also at the Sandy Springs United Methodist Church. This program is free and open to the public. Our Dean, Phil Parkey, is the Chairman of the Convention Committee, which also includes Atlanta Chapter members Ralph Daniel and Jeff Harbin. For more details about the AIO convention and a schedule of events, visit the AIO website www.pipeorgan.org.

Jeff Harbin

Professional Concerns

At our concluding meeting during the 2002-2003 season, there was placed on your dinner table a comment card which gave you the opportunity to list concerns and/or challenges regarding your employment. The most frequently noted concern was on contracts and how to initiate such a document with employers.

As professional musicians employed by churches/synagogues, I encourage you to review the material available on the AGO headquarters' web-site (follow the links from our chapter site, then the links to Professional Development). You will find a host of valuable information, including a "sample contract." Be assured that this committee is also available to assist you locally.

Many thanks to each of you for your support of our Atlanta Chapter, especially with your attendance at monthly meetings & programs - and for airing your concerns whenever the need arises. Let the dialogue begin!

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Alan Morrison Masterclass Performer Application

(First Presbyterian Church, November 15)

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Yearbook Update (October)

Please make these <u>IMPORTANT CORRECTIONS</u> on page 15!

→Saturday, **←** March 20, 2004 Choral Workshop: Dr. Eric Nelson

All AGO Choral Directors and their Choir Members Invited 9:00 AM Breakfast: 10:00 AM-Noon Worshop

> Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church 2715 Peachtree Road, NE - Atlanta Host: Arden Starnes

404-591-4371

→ Tuesday, May 11, 2004 **←** Organ Recital: Paul Jacobs

Including works by Bach, Reger, Handel, and Messiaen
Spivey Hall (Clayton College and State University)
5900 North Lee Street - Morrow
Host: Sherryl Nelson
770-960-4200

National Pipe Organ Encounter June 20-25, 2004

Atlanta Chapter (Agnes Scott College, Decatur)
Faculty recital & dinner June 20
Student recital June 25

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Musica Sacra Atlanta Concert Series

Sunday, October 19 2:00 PM
Peter Folkert, piano
John Lemley, narrator

Sunday, November 16 2:00 PM
Alan Morrison, organ

Sunday, February 15 2:00 PM

Bernstein: Chichester Psalms

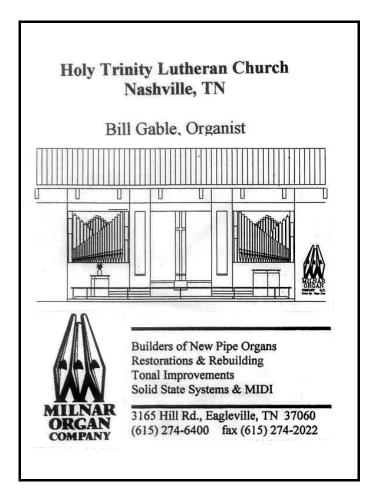
Oratorio Choir

Musica Sacra Orchestra

Sunday, March 14 2:00 PM
Ensemble Amacord

First Presbyterian Church

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Peachtree Road United Methodist Church 2003-2004 Music & Arts Series Presents



St. Paul's Cathedral Choir, London Friday, October 17, 2003 7:30 p.m.

A concert by the Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys under the direction of John Scott, director of music and Huw Williams, organist.

Admission \$25 Adults/\$20 Seniors and Students
Tickets may be purchased at either the music office 404-240-8212
or the Dogwood Gift Shop 404-240-8383

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THOUGHTS ON TUNING AND TEMPERATURE

After the church structure, the pipe organ is the most expensive item the church owns.

Regular maintenance helps to keep these instruments in good condition and sounding beautiful. One of the most important maintenance routines is the biannual tunings.

Fall is traditionally a time for pipe organ tuning, and the coming months will see the service staff at A.E. Schlueter Pipe Organ Company in Lithonia, Georgia visiting churches all over the South.

When your instrument is to be tuned, knowing and understanding the critical relationship between temperature and its affect on your organ is essential.

Pipe organ sounds are generated by the vibration of a column of air within a pipe. The temperature of the air affects the pitch of the note being sounded. Because of the difference in materials and placement, the pipes simply do not all move together to a different pitch. When temperatures drop, air becomes heavier and moves slower in the pipes causing the note to go flat. Conversely, warmer air, which moves faster, results in notes being sharp.

Exposed pipes inside the sanctuary will be affected by the room temperature more quickly than pipes in a case or chamber. Changes in lighting, air conditioning, heat and the number of people in the room can quickly cause the temperature around pipes to change with a resulting change in their sound.

The Schlueter firm has been tuning and maintaining a number of organs for many years, but all maintenance efforts can be negated if those responsible for a facility fail to maintain optimum performance conditions.

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For information contact A.E. Schlueter Pipe Organ Company, (770) 482-4845 or visit www.pipe-organ.com

The Cathedral of St. Philip

2744 Peachtree Road, NW Atlanta, Georgia

Sunday, 28 September

4:00 PM Evensong for the Eve of Michaelmas with the Cathedral Schola

Music by Dering, Howells, Darke, Campbell and Neary 5:15 PM Organ Recital with Keith Weber Music by Bach, Dupré and King

Sunday, 5 October

4:00 PM Evensong with the Cathedral Schola Music by Holst and Clucas 5:15 PM Recital with Catherine Bull, flute, and Daniel Pyle, harpsichord

Sunday, 12 October

4:00 PM Evensong with the Cathedral Schola Music by Bairstow and Rose 5:15 PM Organ Recital with Ben Woodward Music by Bach, Mendelssohn, Franck, Cocker and Duruflé

Tuesday, 14 October at 7:30 PM The Organ Works of Percy Whitlock

Nigel Potts, organ (\$10)

Thursday, 16 October

5:45 PM Evensong with the Choir of Girls, Boys, and Adults

Music by Howells, Vaughan Williams and Rose

Wednesday, 22 October at 7:30 PM

Nordic Voices: A Norwegian a capella ensemble (\$12)

Sunday, 26 October

4:00 PM Evensong with the Cathedral Choir Music by Lassus, Statham and Tavener 5:15 PM Recital with the Cathedral Staff Singers in the Gould Room

Sunday, 2 November

4:00 PM Evensong with the Cathedral Schola 5:15 PM Organ Recital with Trey Clegg

Tuesday, 4 November at 7:30 PM

Concert I in the Gould Room Chamber Music Series (\$20)

Music Department: 404-365-1050 Cathedral Concerts: 404-365-1052

October Performance Calendar

This is a partial list of performances in the area. For a more complete list, please refer to <agoatlanta.org>.

ASO/Levi; Valentina Lisitsa, piano Symphony Hal, Atlanta T/F/S, Oct. 2/3/4, 8:00 PM Sat., Oct. 4, 8:15 PM The Romeros, guitar quartet Spivey Hall, Morrow Sun., Oct. 5, 3:00 PM Todd Wilson, organ Sandy Springs UMC Thurs., Oct. 9, 8:00 PM Ravi & Anoushka Shankar, sitar Schwartz Center, Emory Univ., Atlanta Fri., Oct. 10, 8:15 PM J. Moran & Bandwagon, jazz; S. Rivers, saxophone Spivey Hall, Morrow F/S, Oct. 10/11, 8:00 PM ASO/Flint; An Evening with Nancy Wilson Symphony Hall, Atlanta Sat., Oct. 11, 8:00 PM Joan Lippincott, organ, with New Trinity Baroque St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Atlanta Sat., Oct., 11, 8:15 PM Piotr Anderszdwski, piano Spivey Hall, Morrow Peachtree Road UMC, Atlanta Tues., Oct. 14, 7:30 PM Michel L. Shake, Jr., organ Tues., Oct. 14, 7:30 PM David Buice, harpsichord Oglethorpe University T/F/S, Oct. 16/17/18, 8:00 PM ASO/Volkov; Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg, violin Symphony Hall, Atlanta Fri., Oct. 17, 7:30 PM Movie Classics: Gwyn Bacon, organ Northside United Methodist Church, Atlanta Fri., Oct. 17, 7:30 PM St. Paul's Cathedral Choir Peachtree Road UMC, Atlanta Sun., Oct. 19, 2:00 PM Piotr Folkert, piano; John Lemley, narrator First Presbyterian Church, Atlanta Sun., Oct. 19, 3:30 PM Trey Clegg, organ Peachtree Baptist Church, Atlanta T/F/S. Oct. 23/24/25. 8:00 PM ASO/Mickelthwate; Stewart Goodyear, piano Symphony Hall, Atlanta Fri., Oct. 24, 11:00 AM ASO/Mickelthwate Symphony Hall, Atlanta Fri., Oct. 24, 8:00 PM Roswell UMC, Roswell Michael O'Neal Singers Sun., Oct. 26, 1:30 & 3:30 PM ASO/Shakespeare; Family Concert Symphony Hall, Atlanta Sun., Oct. 26, 5:00 PM Choral Guild of Atlanta Peachtree Road UMC, Atlanta Symphony Hall, Atlanta Wed., Oct. 29, 8:00 PM Ceraria Evora







Wed., Oct. 29, 6:45 PM

T/F/S, Oct. 30/31/1, 8:00 PM

Employment Referral

Peachtree Road UMC, Atlanta

Symphony Hall, Atlanta

For more complete and recent listings, check the chapter Web site, <www.agoatlanta.org>.

Interim Director of Music: Conyers Presbyterian Church, 911 North Main Street, Conyers, Ga. 30012, 770-929-0700.

Part-time organist: Covington First Baptist Church, PO Box 268, Covington, GA 30015.

Phantom of the Opera; Scott Atchison, organ

ASO/McGegan; Carl Nitchie, bassoon

Part-time organist: First United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 606, Cumming, GA 30028.

Director of Music: Marietta First United Methodist Church, 56 Whitlock Avenue, Marietta, GA 30064.

musdir@mariettafumc.org. Fax: 770-420-0929 Attn. Music Search Committee.

Music Associate/Organist: **Heritage Baptist Church**, 1070 Douthit Ferry Road, Cartersville, GA 30120. (770) 382-6072.

Organist/Director: **Presbyterian Church of the Resurrection**, 3676 Highway 20 NW, Conyers, GA 30071. (770) 922-5553.

Director or Music/Organist: **Druid Hills Presbyterian Church**, 1026 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30306. (404) 985-7591.

Organist/Director: **The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation**, 2407 Cascade Road, Sw. Atlanta, GA 30311. (404) 875-7591.

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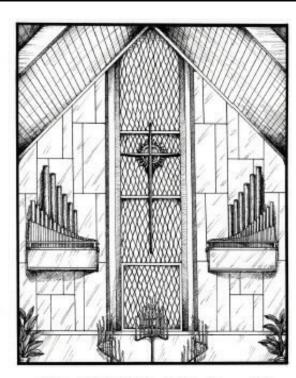
James Mellichamp, William Coscarelli, and Peter Marshall

for identifying the organ in the September issue.

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