

# Principal Pipings

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## Dean's Message

Hello AGO Friends! I hope you are having a wonderful summer, despite the challenges that we are all facing during the Covid-19 pandemic. Your Executive Committee has planned an interesting and varied array of programming for 2020-21, so here's hoping that conditions will allow us to actually be able to host these events. None of us know what the next months will hold, so the best we can do is to try to keep you informed about what is happening month-to-month. Watch for these newsletters and occasional email blasts for more information as it becomes available, and we will get through this together.

If your membership expired in June you should have already received notification from AGO National to renew your membership via [ONCARD](#). If you've renewed, thank you! If you've forgotten, you still have time to renew before our yearbooks are printed later this summer. So put down this newsletter and go do it right now, before it slips your mind again. Tell your organ-loving friends about AGO, too. They can become a friend of Lexington AGO for only \$25/year. This is our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, so what better time to be a part of our chapter!

I want to extend a huge thank-you to the members of last year's Executive Committee and especially to past dean James Humlong. Your efforts on behalf of our chapter are greatly appreciated, particularly since you all planned a wonderful slate of programming for the spring that wasn't able to take place. We will try to include some of those ideas in upcoming programming, for sure. I want to introduce you to your new Executive Committee: Brian Hunt (sub-dean); Grant Holcomb (executive secretary and co-chair of publicity and social media); Anna Pan (continuing her role as treasurer/registrar); at-large members Gabrielle Manion, Zach Klobnak, and Maria LeRose-Herndon; Larry Sivis and Betsy Steiner (chaplains); Richard Dwyer (professional concerns and placement committee chair); Bill Webber (education committee chair); Lynn Vera (newsletter editor and co-chair of publicity and social media); Ted Gentry (continuing in his role as chapter historian); Melinda Storey and Gwen Frazier (hospitality committee co-chairs); Larry Sharp (yearbook committee co-chair); James Humlong (past dean and yearbook committee co-chair); and Scott Heydinger (continuing in his role as webmaster). We are excited to be serving our chapter this year!

Enjoy the rest of the summer, and please stay healthy! I hope to see you in September.

Jane

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# Upcoming AGO Events

Your Executive Committee has come up with a terrific slate of chapter events which we hope we will be able to hold, particularly during this, our 75th anniversary year. Watch your upcoming chapter newsletters for updates on these and other area programs as we continue to cope with Covid-19 and its impact on the arts.

Saturday, 09.26.20 12:00pm	<b>75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Luncheon and Officer Installation</b> Walnut Hill Church, Lexington
Saturday, 10.17.20 10:00am	<b>Behold the Theatre Organ!</b> Presentation of theatre pipe organ music on the big screen at the Kentucky Theatre, with open console time and demonstrations by local theatre organists. Lunch afterwards at a local restaurant.
Friday, 11.06.20 7:30pm	<b>Jillian Gardner, AGOYO Convener Recital</b> Cathedral of Christ the King, Lexington
Sunday, 12.06.20 2:00pm	<b>Christmas Pipes Member Recital</b> Southern Hills United Methodist Church, Lexington
Friday, 02.05.21 7:30pm	<b>Marcelo Giannini Recital</b> Cathedral of Christ the King, Lexington
Saturday, 02.27.21 9:30am	<b>Pedals, Pipes and Pizza</b> Central Christian Church (DOC), Lexington
Saturday, 03.06.21 9:30am	<b>Choral and Organ Reading Session</b> First Christian Church (DOC), Winchester
Saturday, 04.17.21 12:00pm	<b>Elizabeth George, Director of Member Engagement and Chapter Development, AGO National Headquarters</b> Location TBA
Friday, 05.21.21 7:00pm	<b>Katie Minion Scheetz Recital</b> Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington

For inclusion in the newsletter calendar for local music events, please contact Lynn Vera at [LynnVera@ymail.com](mailto:LynnVera@ymail.com) by the 15th of the month prior to the publication date. Due to space limitations, events will be listed for the current and following month. You can find events beyond that timeframe on our website, [www.agolexington.org](http://www.agolexington.org).

# Announcements

## IT'S OUR 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY! LET'S CELEBRATE!

Our September 26<sup>th</sup> meeting will not only kick off our programming year. It will be a celebration of the Lexington AGO's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary! If you have any memorabilia from early days of our chapter, photos, programs, yearbooks, please consider loaning them to us for display during our anniversary luncheon. They will be returned promptly. Thanks so much!

## ARE YOUR DUES DUE?

If your membership runs from June through May, you should have already received a reminder from AGO National to pay your dues via [ONCARD](#). Please take a moment now and renew your dues. Your chapter thanks you!

## AGO ORGANFEST 2020

This virtual event on July 20-24 is taking the place of the AGO Annual Convention, which was cancelled due to the Coronavirus. This online organ festival is a gift from the AGO to the community; "a gift of beauty in an otherwise chaotic time, and one that would be accessible to all free of charge".

*If you are reading this newsletter online, the following links are "clickable":*

To view the **Organfest 2020 introductory video**:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxVYLiszzNQ&feature=youtu.be>

To visit the **AGO ORGANFEST 2020 website**: [agoorganfest2020.org](http://agoorganfest2020.org)

To visit the **festival Facebook Event page**:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/559679284724676/>



# Member News



Neighbors turned out for a socially distanced street party for member **Priscilla Hepburn**, who turned 89 years old on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Happy Birthday, Priscilla, and may you have many more!

MorningStar's new music for fall features **Maureen Howell**'s *Once in Royal David's City, Four Carol Settings for Organ*. Contents: Of the Father's Love Begotten (Divinum Mysterium); Once in Royal David's City (Irby); On Christmas Night (Sussex Carol); and God Rest You Merry (God Rest You Merry). Congratulations, Maureen!

Congratulations to **Katelyn Emerson** on the completion of her master's recital. Katelyn performed a varied program, from Froberger to Messiaen and Reger, on the Rieger-Orgel at the Musikhochschule in Stuttgart, Germany.

**John Linker** reports that with Covid-19 under control in New Zealand, they are once again able to have choral singing in church! He has been posting links to his evensong services from Christchurch Cathedral Transitional on his Facebook page, so check them out. Thanks, John!

# Concerts

## Campbellsville University

13th Annual Noon Organ Recital Series

2020-2021

September 15..... Our Lady of Perpetual Help

*TBA*

October 13..... Ransdell Chapel

*Kenneth Stein*

Organist/Choirmaster, Christ Episcopal Church  
Bowling Green, Kentucky

November 3..... Ransdell Chapel

*Grant Holcomb*

Organist, Central Christian Church  
Lexington, Kentucky

February 2 ..... Our Lady of Perpetual Help

*Marcelo Giannini*

Organist, Temple of Carouge  
Professor, Haute École de Musique  
Geneva, Switzerland

Evening Recital, Ransdell Chapel, 8:00 p.m.

March 2 ..... Ransdell Chapel

*Colleen Ames*

Organist, Memorial Methodist Church, Elizabethtown  
Our Lady of the Hills Catholic Church, Finley

April 13..... Ransdell Chapel

*Wesley Roberts*

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with Faculty from the School of Music  
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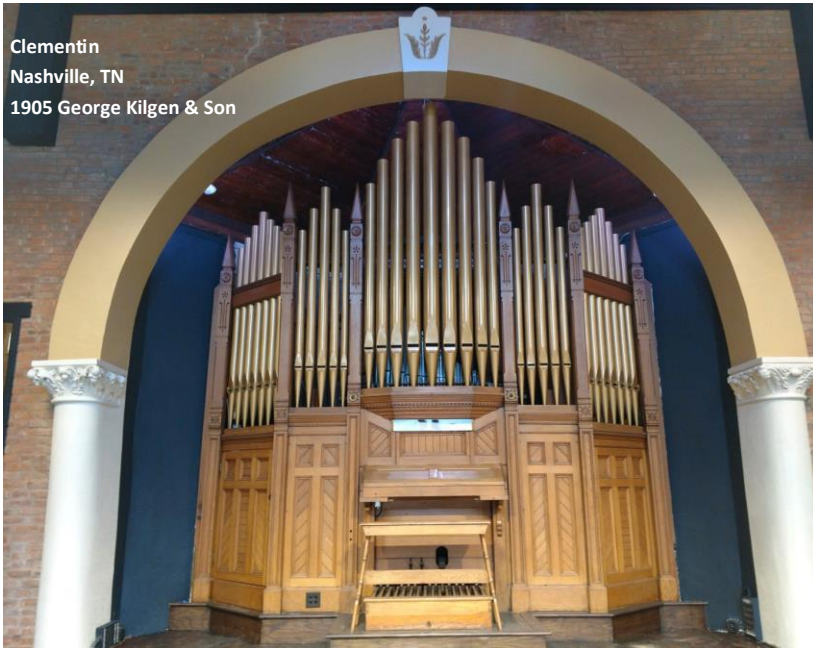


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