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Milwaukee Chapter Election Results

Class of 2020
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June 2018 Dean’s Column

FROM THE KEYBOARD of Sheri Masiakowski

In case you missed the email — We extend our sympathy to Ingrid Pierson whose mother died on May 9th and was buried in Wolfenweiler, Germany. Though there is sorrow in passing, while Ingrid was in Germany she was able to attend a family wedding.

Mike Huffman’s father, E. Glenn Huffman, 92, passed away Tuesday, May 8, 2018 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. A service was held in Bella Vista, Arkansas, on Monday, May 14th at 11 a.m. at the Bella Vista Community Church. Mike spoke of many significant memories of his dad when we chatted on the phone yesterday. Our email has links to his Glenn’s WWII experiences.

The devastating news of fire at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church on May 15th is a shock to all of us. The lovingly-cared for building and its 1879 Schuelke organ will rise again from these ashes in new form. The old remains in the hearts of its faithful congregants for it can not be replaced. John Behnke, our prayers are with you in grief and hope through these months of reconstruction.

Trinity 1879 Schuelke

We thank our out-going Class of 2019 Board Members for their service to the Chapter; Martha Aslakson, Richard Ewert, Fr. Tom Lijewski, and Dean Rosko. Congratulations to our in-coming members, the Class of 2020: Dean Rosko, William Lieven, Fr. Tom Lijewski, and Joel Schwartz. If a Board Member is unable to fulfill a term the 1st alternate will be Roger Meyer. Current officers ran unopposed: Dean Sheri Masiakowski, Secretary Nicole Moritz, Treasurer Steven Jensen, and Registrar David Beyer. Sub-Dean Audrey Rhinehart chose John Schubring as a “running mate” and they were unopposed in the election.

Some of you have seen pictures on Facebook from my recent Pipedreams 2018 Belgium trip. Among our sites was the Mechelen Cathedral—St. Rombouts. Flor Peeters served this church from 1923 (assistant organist and 1925 appointed titular organist) onward. He was a frequent visitor to the US on ten North American concert tours (’46 ’47 ’50 ’53, ’56, ’59, ’62, ’65 ’68 ’71). His second tour inspired his composition of the Lied-Symphony. Its movements are dedicated to his American colleagues who showed him great kindness: Richard Purvis, Carl Weinrich, Antoinette van Boxmeer, Alexander McCurdy, and Virgil Fox. The movements depict scenarios of the American landscape: Lied to the Ocean, Desert, Flowers, Mountains and Lied to the Sun (C.F. Peters publication).

In 1956 Peeters offered his first masterclass at Boys Town, Nebraska influencing many US musicians. Several Milwaukee organists studied with him in Belgium—Steve Jensen and Sr. Mary Jane Wagner. Tim Berlew (Pastor at Wauwatosa Avenue United Methodist) competed in the 1989 Flor Peeters Competition at St. Rimbouts winning second place.

In Brussels Gary Wood worked in a German Protestant church for expatriots for five years during the early 1980’s (Peters tracker organ / Cologne). He and his wife traveled to Mechelen, known for its furniture industry, with intent to purchase a few pieces. They visited St. Rombouts and experienced a chance meeting with Peeters in 1983.

Interesting trivia for Americans — Flor Peeters (1903-1986) birth and death on the 4th of July.

One of our tour guides—Rachel Perfecto (New York native) graduated from the Royal Carillon School—“Jef Denyn” in Mechelen and played for us on the ground-level carillon on the school grounds (see photo). This installation is enclosed in glass doors that open on a green-space similar to our Milwaukee park concert venues.

A member of our tour group—Ballard Caldwell said his grandfather had graduated from this school in the 1920’s. We found grandpa’s picture in an archived yearbook. What a treat!

Our own Milwaukee Marquette University carillonneur—Mark Kowewko studied at the University of Utrecht—Netherlands Carillon School in Amersfoort, Holland.

Enjoy your summer. I trust that I’ll see you at the Officer Installation and the multitude of choral reading sessions!

Cordially,

Sheri
June 2018

6 (Wed) 12:15 Will Schlueter, Organ
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist
812 N. Jackson St
Milwaukee, WI

11 (Mon) 12:00 Musical Mondays
Mike Keegan, Horn
Mary Radspinner, Harp
Summerfield UMC
728 E. Juneau Ave
Milwaukee, WI

13 (Wed) 12:15 Michele Rodriguez, Soprano
James Grzadzinski, Organ
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist
812 N. Jackson St
Milwaukee, WI

17 – 22 Pipe Organ Encounter Plus
Rockford, IL

20 (Wed) 12:15 David Jonies, Organ
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist
812 N. Jackson St
Milwaukee, WI

22 (Fri) 7:00 Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble
Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church
11836 Hwy 42
Ellison Bay, WI

24 (Sun) 2:00 Karen Beaumont, Organ
St. Hedwig’s Church
1702 N. Humboldt Ave
Milwaukee, WI

24 (Sun) 3:00 Balint Karosi, Organ
Zion Lutheran Church
709 Sixth St
Wausau, WI

26 (Tues) 7:30 Don Verkuilen, Organ
Church of the Gesu
1145 W. Wisconsin Ave
Milwaukee, WI

27 (Wed) 12:15 Hans Uwe Hielscher, Organ
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Chelsea Chen

Trinity Lutheran Church
200 N First Street

Monday
June 18
7:00 pm
Peter Yardly-Jones & Greg Zelek

Court Street United Methodist Church
215 N Court Street

Wednesday
June 20
7:00 pm
Tyler Canonico & Steven Egler

Westminster Presbyterian Church
2821 Bell School Road

Thursday
June 21
7:00 pm
David von Behren
Membership Renewal Notice 2018-2019

It is now time to renew your membership for the 2018-2019 year. Your dues include a one-year subscription to THE AMERICAN ORGANIST Magazine (TAO) and support for the programs run by the national organization and by your local chapter. To continue receiving the benefits of membership and your TAO subscription, please mail your dues payment now to AGO headquarters at the address at the top of this form and include the name of your chapter(s) in the box below.

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