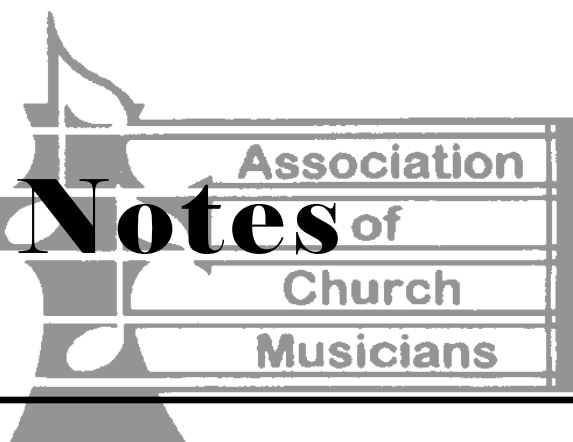


Church Music Notes

APRIL 2009



ACM Spring Cruise (and Annual Meeting)

Ahoy there! Didn't take that winter cruise? Like to see Madison from a different perspective? Join your ACM colleagues and their guests on Sunday, May 3, 2009, as we take a Betty Lou Cruise on beautiful Lake Monona. Departure for the two hour cruise is prompt at 2:00pm, so we will meet at Machinery Row, 601 Williamson Street, Madison, by 1:45pm. There is a Betty Lou Cruise map available for download on their website www.bettyloucruises.com. Park at Monona Terrace, Law Park (limited meter parking), downtown area parking ramps, or on-street in the Williamson Street neighborhood. Onboard we will be treated to a variety of appetizers including bacon wrapped water chestnuts, chicken wings, chicken & cheese quesadillas, killer shrimp, California sushi rolls, chips and dips, a vegetarian variety platter, a Wisconsin cheese and cracker platter, mini artisan sandwiches and savory meatballs.

A cash bar will be available. Lake Monona sights include Monona Terrace, the State Capitol, several views of the downtown Madison skyline, natural areas, and lakefront estates. Your cost is \$20 per person, which, thanks to ACM, is less than actual. We need a minimum of 20 people, so see the registration form below, write out a check and sign on today. The deadline for registration is Friday, April 17.

And, oh yes, while on board we will have a (short) annual meeting. We will recognize those leaving the ACM board and elect officers for terms beginning in July, 2009. For the slate of candidates, please see the report from the nominating committee on page five of this newsletter.

Registration Form for ACM Betty Lou Cruise & Annual Meeting 2:00 p.m. Sunday, May 3, 2009

Your Name _____
Address _____

Telephone _____ Cell Phone _____
E-mail _____
Name(s) of Guest(s) _____

Total Number registering _____ X \$20/person = _____ Check # _____

Please make check to: **Association of Church Musicians**
Mail to: **Association of Church Musicians, P.O. Box 5321, Madison, WI 53705**
Registration Deadline: Friday, April 17, 2009

Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 26, 3:00pm, The Sinsinawa Mound Civic Chorus will give their 19th annual spring concert. The concert, conducted by Sister Marie Juan Maney, OP, will highlight Easter music throughout the centuries. The German Trio, Sister Virgil Kummer, OP; Sister Anita Smisek, OP; and Sister Marie Virginia Walters, OP, will assist the chorus. A free-will offering will be taken. For more information, contact Sr. Marie Juan at (608) 748-4411, ext. 807.

Monday, April 27, The 18th annual Youth Choir Music Festival will be held. Area youth choirs from Drexler Middle School, Farley, IA, and Sinsinawa Mound will participate in an afternoon clinic with guest clinician Margaret Jenks director of the Madison Youth Choir, Madison, WI. They will perform a concert at 7:00pm in Queen of the Rosary Chapel, to which the public is invited. The Lancaster High School Concert Choir, directed by David Murphy, from Lancaster, WI, will be the guest choir. Tickets are \$3 for adults. Children are free. Contact Sr. Marie Juan Maney, OP, at (608) 748-4411, ext. 807, for more information or visit our Web site at www.sinsinawa.org. Sinsinawa Mound, the Motherhouse for the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters, is located in southwest Wisconsin on County Road Z, off Highway 11, about 5 miles NE of Dubuque.

Sunday, May 3, 3:00pm, The American Guild of Organists - Milwaukee Chapter presents Peter Richard Conte in concert at the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts, Uihlein Hall, 929 N. Water Street Milwaukee. This is the first time in several years that the Miller Organ, a 56 rank Aeolian-Skinner, will be heard in a solo recital. Tickets are \$20 for Adults, \$15 for AGO members, Seniors and Students and are available through the Marcus Center Box Office at 1.888.612.3500 or through Ticketmaster.

Sunday, May 3, 3:00pm at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 5700 Pheasant Hill Road, Monona, WI and

Saturday, May 9, 7:30pm at Asbury United Methodist Church, 6101 University Ave, Madison, WI.

The Madison Area Concert Handbells, playing six octaves of handbells and seven octaves of hand-chimes, presents "BAROQUE & BEYOND!" Enjoy an exploration of changing musical styles in this exciting extravaganza of great music from classical masterworks to favorite standards. Popular pieces in-

clude Bach's *Little Fugue in G Minor*, Beethoven's *Fur Elise*, Handel's *Allegro Maestoso*, Enya's *Sail Away*, *El Condor Pasa*, and *Under the Sea*. Advanced tickets available at Borders East and West, Orange Tree Imports on Monroe Street, and online at www.madisonhandbells.org. Advance tickets are \$12 for Adults and \$9 for Seniors (60+) and Students. Tickets at the door are \$15 for Adults and \$12 for Seniors and Students. For more information, call 608-260-2456 or visit the website.

June 22-26, 2009, Washington Island Forum with Rev. John Bell, "Encountering the Unsung Jesus."

A four and a half day experience of study, worship, community, and fun off the tip of Door County, Wisconsin designed for clergy, church musicians, and lay persons. Presenters are the Rev. John Bell, a Church of Scotland minister, a member of the Iona Community, and author of the Church of Scotland's Church Hymnary (2005), and Dr. Marlene Kropf, Associate Professor of Spiritual Formation at the Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, and the author of *Singing: A Mennonite Voice*. Each day begins with Morning Prayer led by Rev. Brad Pohlman and Bruce Bengtson, of Luther Memorial Church, Madison, WI, followed by sessions with our guest presenters. Afternoon discussion groups are optional, as are other evening activities. Other Island attractions are nature walks, museums, crafts, marine activities, etc. The Island also has a number of restaurants, a grocery, general store, post office and coffee shop. A pedestrian ferry is available for tours of Rock Island.

Location: Trueblood Performing Arts Center, Washington Island, and Trinity Lutheran Church, Washington Island, WI.

Register online at www.wichurches.org (click "events"), or phone 608-837-3108. Full registration fee is \$225 (by May 1, 2009) and \$250 after May 1, 2009. Full payment is due by June 1, 2009. A full refund is available if you cancel by notifying WCC by June 1, 2009. You must make separate lodging and meal arrangements, other than the opening picnic and daily refreshments.

Housing is available separately at Island motels, resorts, bed and breakfasts, and an Island camp ground. For a list of accommodations, visit www.washingtonislandchamber.com.

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Upcoming Events, continued:

Handbell Week 2009: David Weck returns June 29 to July 2 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Madison, at the church's West Campus in Verona. The four day intensive workshop is designed for directors and ringers to expand their ringing performance and musicality. The workshop ends with a public concert on Thursday, July 2. As part of the workshop, Madison Area Concert Handbells, directed by Mark Bloedow, will present a concert open to the public on Monday, June 29, 7:30pm, at Good Shepherd's Central Campus, 5701 Raymond Road, Madison. A free will offering at the concerts is appreciated. For complete details and to register, please visit www.maestromeb.com and click on Handbell Week or contact Mark Bloedow at 608-845-3952.

President's Letter

The vernal equinox and Spring have come, which means Holy Week and Easter are upon us. Yes, that means as we approach this time of great solemnity and great celebration we are busy. There may be extra services with less common liturgies early in the morning or late at night or maybe both. There may be special anthems or special concerts. Choirs need to be prepared, brass players secured, and organ reeds tuned. Daunting as it may seem, all will somehow get done. And when the celebration dies down plan for some fun, for something different. Join your ACM colleagues for a Betty Lou Cruise on Lake Monona on Sunday, May 3. Good food and fellowship will be the order of the day. Read the related article in this newsletter and register now.

Peace, John

John R. Krueger, 422 Maple Avenue, Madison, WI 53704-5841, 608-249-0679, j.krueger@att.net

Looking for Hymn Writers

Have you ever thought about writing a hymn? Ever tried? Or do you know someone who has? Several (as in three) Madison area people with an interest in hymns, hymn writing, and/or hymn translation have met a few times (as in twice). We can't help but wonder who else might like to join a conversation which continues to evolve. Your input could help steer us toward anything from a hymn writing discussion or support group to planning a workshop on hymn writing sometime later this year. If you are interested, please contact Kathryn Scepanski by e-mail (katalystt@msn.com) or call her (608.846.3678). Let us know your location, as well as the aspect of hymn writing in which you are most interested.



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Children/Youth Music Director: Orchard Ridge United Church of Christ, Madison, WI. Work with Associate Pastor for Children/Youth/Families to enhance our music program and explore music opportunities for children (preschool-6th grade) including singing, chimes, drums, ORFF instruments. Assist Adult leader of Youth praise rock band (7th-12th grade) with rehearsals and performances. Six hours/week; 3 of those hours on Sundays. Salary negotiable. We are open and affirming to all people regardless of age, race, culture, sexual orientation and economic justice. To know more about our church visit www.orucc.org To apply, e-mail resume to Reverend Tammy Martens, tmartens@orucc.org

Worship and Music Director and Adult Choir Director: All Saints Lutheran Church, Fitchburg, WI. Work with pastor to develop services/volunteers and coordinate music groups. Assist planning and coordinating of worship experiences. Lead adult choir for weekly Wed. rehearsals (Sept.-May). Alternative worship New Song band/Thu. weekly rehearsals. 17 hrs./wk. Sept.-May; 10 hrs./wk. June-Aug. Send resumes and salary requirements by March 31 to pastorrich@allsaints-madison.org.

Choral Director: Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)– Madison, WI is seeking musician(s) for the positions of director of choral/liturgical choir and handbell choir director. Successful candidates will work closely with the Pastor and coordinate with organist to prepare music for worship services. **Choir director:** Select anthem music, lead experienced adult choir with large repertoire in Thursday rehearsals and at weekly and festival services. 6-8 hours per week. **Bell choir director:** Rehearse and direct experienced bell choir for occasional performances. 4 hours per week, 16 weeks per year. Mail resumes to Trinity Lutheran Church; 1904 Winnebago St., Madison, WI 53704 or email to tlcmsn@merr.org.

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church has a 1962, 3 Manual, 23 Rank Moeller pipe organ for sale. Asking price is \$25,000 or best offer. Buyer will need to move. For more information, contact organist Linda Krueger at lkrueger@molconline.org

Report from the Nominating Committee

The nominating committee reports the following slate of candidates for election to office in the Association of Church Musicians for the year beginning in July 2009.

President and AGO Dean: Mark Brampton Smith
Secretary: Ann Uresk Herr

Vice-President and AGO Sub-dean: Jonathan Orwig
Treasurer: Charles Thomley

Board Member at Large: Audre Kurowski (3 year term to replace Wayne Duddleston whose term expires)
Board Member at Large: Max Yount (2 year term to replace J. Orwig who is a candidate for Vice-President)

Election of officers will be held at the ACM annual meeting on Sunday, May 3, 2009. Dennis Douglas (Chair), Ken Sosinski, and Linda Krueger comprised the nominating committee. Thank you to all candidates for your willingness to serve. Thank you to members of the nominating committee for your insight and your work.

AGO Dues Increase Announced

The American Guild of Organists has announced modest increases in dues for 2009-2010. For full details, please see the article on p. 86 of the January, 2009, issue of *The American Organist*. This increase will only affect ACM members who are also AGO members. Dues for ACM member churches will remain at \$40 for the coming year. For regular AGO members dues will increase \$3. For special AGO members (65 or older, or disabled) dues will increase \$2. For full-time student AGO members, dues will increase \$1. For partner AGO members (second member at the same address), dues will increase \$2. The new rates will be listed in the AGO section of the ACM membership form for 2009-2010.

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Jeffery Blersch & Paul Hoffman Hymn Festival at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist
Tom Trenney organ recital Milwaukee Choral Artists at the Milwaukee Art Museum
Susan Briehl Samuel Torvend Robert A. Rimbo

Accommodations

Accommodations at the Hyatt Regency, Downtown Milwaukee
Limited dormitory housing available at nearby Marquette University

Things to Do & See in Milwaukee

Milwaukee Art Museum Miller Brewery Tours Lake Michigan Riverwalk
Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory ("The Domes")



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