

PIPES EAST

Chapter 454

September, 2012



Dear AGO members and friends,

I hope your summer has been wonderful. Now is the time we are getting in gear for fall and all the excitement and new beginnings that it brings. Some have already started as of August, some start after Labor Day, and some start gradually with staggered beginning times for different groups. I always try to schedule start up times in different weeks, but it seems to always be an adjustment to get back to full steam. I've heard it said that we should think of this work as a marathon and not a sprint. But don't we end up sprinting from Sunday to Sunday without much pause in-between? And then comes Christmas! What I have to remind myself: is to take time to breathe. Do not live, eat, and breathe church, or whatever your work is.

One of the highlights of my summer was the Montreat Worship and Music Conference. It is always a refreshing, uplifting, and inspirational time in a beautiful mountain setting. The lively and creative worship services alone are worth going for. The recital organist was Jonathan Dimmock, whom I had met last summer at the West Regional AGO conference in San Francisco. (I hope to share more of that later.) He played a wonderful recital and led master classes. Anne Wilson was the service organist. She led master classes in service playing and repertoire and is a fine and versatile musician. Jonathan Willcocks was the choral director.

Conferences, seminars and retreats are great, but sometimes it is more of a challenge to carve out some down time for ourselves. Working on Sunday as many of us do, our Sabbaths frequently have to come at odd times.

Please note the upcoming events of our chapter that so many have worked hard to plan. I hope to see you at the Early Music Workshop on September 15, the Monster Concert in October and more in the coming months.

Wishing you fall blessings and strength - and stops along the way - for the race.

Bill Wood

Dean

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September Program

Early Music Workshop with John Brock
First Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount, NC
Saturday, September 15 10:30 a.m.
Details on page 4.

Treasurer's Report, 7/20/2012

Balance of checkbook on 07/20/2012	\$2986.91
Deposits - Dues received	654.00
Dues paid to National	(666.50)
Current Balance	\$2974.41

Respectfully submitted,
Connie K. Widney

Reminder: Dues payments should be submitted immediately. Twenty-one members have renewed.

Position Opening

Robersonville First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ),
Main St., Robersonville NC 27871.
Organist for Traditional Sunday Morning Service at 11:00
a.m. Recently restored Möller Organ.
For information about the position or to set up an inter-
view please contact one of the following:

- Denyse Smith 252-795-4684.
- Church Answering machine 252-795-4877
(Please leave your full contact information and your
call will be returned).
- Email Janet Johnson, Church Secretary -
jvj203ro@embarqmail.com
Please note in subject line – ORGANIST. You will be
contacted for an interview.

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Deadline for the October issue of
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is September 20, 2012.

Please send any information to
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**Remember to Renew
your Membership!**

Substitute List

Please contact Connie Widney to add or remove your name from the list. Only members in good standing (i.e. current dues paid) are included on the substitute list. The city listed is the substitute's place of residence. Many are willing to travel to other nearby towns.

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Welcome New Members!

Philip J. Valera, Wilson, NC

Tony Peterson, Ayden, NC.

Next Scheduled ECAGO Board Meeting

The next meeting of the East Carolina Chapter of the AGO Board will be Friday, October 5 at 6:30 pm at **Anchalee Thai Restaurant** (252-756-2852) 3400 S. Memorial Dr., Ste 17, Greenville, NC.

A note from the Region IV Councillor:

Please share my greetings with your membership! I look forward to another great year. Please contact me if you need any assistance or have any concerns.

Best,

Laura

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ECAGO on the Web

Don't forget our New Website managed by Casey Whaley, our Treasurer, which includes upcoming events, board meetings, pictures from recent ECAGO gathers, and announcements of things happening in our chapter of the AGO! www.ecago.org.

Password: eastcarolinaago

East Carolina AGO Chapter Events for 2012-2013

Saturday, September 15, 2012 at 10:30 a.m.
First Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount, NC
Jennie Vance is the host organist- virginialeevance@gmail.com

Dr. John Brock, Professor Emeritus from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville will present a lecture/demonstration recital on early keyboard touch.

Dr. Brock will demonstrate the subtleties of 17th and 18th century keyboard technique using the works of George Böhm as a point of departure. He is the author of the method book "Introduction to Organ Playing in 17th and 18th Century Style" published by Wayne Leupold. This program is open to all. Please plan to join us for a most informative start to our program year.

October: Spooktacular Monster Concert

Date: Friday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Venue: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Greenville

Notes: Performers needed

November: New Music Sharing: Holiday Focus (Advent/Christmas/Lent/Easter)

Date: Saturday, November 17 at 10:30 a.m.

Venue: First Christian Church, Wilson

Notes: Members will bring choral or organ music of particular favoritism!

January: Epiphany Party

Date: Friday, January 11, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Venue: St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Greenville

Notes: Members will bring appetizers, drinks and desserts.

February: A Suite Members Recital

Date: Friday, February 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Venue: TBA

Notes: Performers needed with "suites".

March: Pedals, Pipes and Pizza

Date: Saturday, March 2 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Venue: First Christian Church, Wilson

Notes: Helpers are needed for publicity and manpower!

April: No event

May: Year End Progressive Dinner and Organ Recital

Date: Friday, May 3, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Venue: Wilson-- First United Methodist, St. Timothy's, First Christian, First Baptist

Notes: Members need to sign up to play and help with the organization.

Other Recitals and Concerts

Andrew Scanlon will play the Dedication Concert on the Rodgers organ installed at St. Thomas Episcopal in Bath, NC on Oct. 14th at 2 PM. St. Thomas Episcopal is located at 101 Craven St..

First Christian church—Wilson, NC

On Friday, September 21 at 7:30 p.m., Brazilian native Cristiano Rizzotto will perform at First Christian Church of Wilson as part of the 2012-13 Music Series. Offering works by Balbastre, Bach, Buxtehude, Mendelssohn and others Cristiano will return to First Christian after having just performed on the Music for Hope Concert.

Cristiano Rizzotto Vidal Pessôa, born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, holds a Bachelor's Degree in Piano Performance from the Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ), where he graduated in 2010, Magna cum Laude. There, he studied piano with Dr. Miriam Grosman and performed as a concert pianist in several solo recitals and as a piano accompanist in several cities and states of Brazil since 2007. He was awarded second place at the XVIII ArtLivre National Piano Competition.



Years before the first lessons with Dr. Alexandre Rachid, in order to do something about the complete absence of music during the service in the church to which he attended, and having always been passionate and interested in playing what he considers to be the authentic liturgical instrument, Cristiano decided to volunteer as an organist at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Lagoa since 2007. On December 2008, he became organist at Our Lady of Glory Catholic Church in Largo do Machado. He was later an exchange student in the USA (East Carolina University), in the Fall semester of 2009, sponsored by the Brazilian government's Ministry of Education.

Once back in Rio to graduate, he was nominated the organist of the city's Benedictine Abbey, owner of the oldest organ in South America and where the tradition of the chants and liturgy has been kept fresh and alive by the Carioca monks since the 16th century. Cristiano developed his technique and understanding of the instrument and its use in church enormously in his time in the USA and in the Monastery, and he wished to continue this fruitful learning and developing work in this country, under the instruction of Mr. Andrew Scanlon, Instructor in Organ at East Carolina University.

He returned to the USA last August for the Master's Degree in Sacred Music/Organ, and he has also started serving the First United Methodist Church in Washington, NC, since then. The 11 AM Service is broadcast live each Sunday on 98.9 FM, WNBR.

Cristiano was awarded the Richard VanSciver Church Music Scholarship on a competition promoted by the Metropolitan Music Ministries in Charlotte, NC, this past March. He was also awarded the Ona and E. Franck Ruble Scholarship from the United Methodist Church, in May.

Cristiano achieved the Service Playing Certificate from the American Guild of Organists this past June, becoming a Certified Guild Member. A Celebration for Certified Guild Members was held by the AGO National Committee on Professional Certification (Kathleen Thomerson, director) on the AGO National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, on July 4th.

His functions as a Graduate Assistant at ECU nominated him the piano & organ accompanist of the St. Cecilia Singers choir, accompanist for the Vocal Department, and a Recording Tech for the Fletcher Music Center, which includes recording and editing concerts on CD and DVD, and live broadcasting them online. In 2012, he became a member of the ECU Chamber Singers, which toured the state of North Carolina this past Spring and that just finished recording a CD that will be released in October.



Cristiano Rizzotto

Friday, September 21 at 7:30 p.m

Hugo Distler – Suite from the Dreissig Spielstücke, Op. 18, No. 1 – Mvt. I–IV

Jehan Alain – Choral Dorien, JA 67

J. S. Bach – In dir ist Freude, BWV 615

J. S. Bach – Organ Concerto in A minor after Antonio Vivaldi, BWV 593

Allegro

Adagio

Allegro

Gerald Near – Adoro te devote (Humbly we adore Thee) – Prelude with four variations

Louis-Claude D'Aquin – Noël X

Claude Balbastre – Votre bonté Grand Dieu – Deuxième suite de Noël

Mendelssohn – Prelude and Fugue in G Major, Op. 37, no. 2

Buxtehude – Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne in C Major, BuxWV 137

All concerts in the Music Series are free.

For more information on this event and future events, visit: www.fccwilson.org/musicseries