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Fairfield West AGO 2019-2020 Slate of Officers

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Robert Kwan, Class of 2021
Frederick Tripodi, Class of 2021
Leslie Smith, Class Of 2022
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David B. Johnson, Class of 2022

The above slate of officers was moved, seconded and voted on at our Annual Business Meeting on June 14. Welcome to new officers and board members. Thank you for giving your time and talents to the members of the Fairfield West Chapter.

TIME TO RENEW YOUR AGO MEMBERSHIP

For many of you, July 1 is the renewal date for your AGO membership. Dues will remain unchanged for the second consecutive year because of two exceptionally generous unrestricted bequests that the AGO received from the Estates of Dr. Geoffrey Druce and Dr. Christian Herrmann, Jr. Your dues, which include membership in the national organization, your local chapter, and a one-year subscription to THE AMERICAN ORGANIST Magazine (TAO), provide access to all of the Guild's programs, services, and member benefits. You can by online at:

<https://www.agohq.org/Membership>.

You can also pay by check or over the phone by calling: (212) 870-2310 and let the person who answers know you would like to renew.

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CALENDAR –July 2019

Wednesday, July 3 at 7 PM

Courtyard Concert - Carol and Tom Woodman, Soprano/baritone. David Johnson, piano Carol and Tom are no strangers to St. Paul's and Greenwich audiences in general. Two superb voices bring their uniquely semi informal style to vocal music from the opera house and Broadway. Concert is free--- donations accepted--- and open to the public.
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 200 Riverside Avenue, Riverside, Ct.

Wednesday, July 10 at 7:30 PM

Courtyard Concert - Chie Yoshinaka and Benjamin Steinhardt, violin and piano Chie and Ben have been on our courtyard concerts several times in the past and also bring a program of diverse music, superbly played. Concert is free--- donations accepted--- and open to the public
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 200 Riverside Avenue, Riverside, Ct.

Wednesday, July 17 at 7:30 PM

Courtyard Concert - Anitra Brooks: Musician, singer/songwriter, actor, and educator. Anitra writes for the sheer satisfaction it brings her, keeping in mind something her mother told her: "There are many lies, but only one truth". Concert is free--- donations accepted--- and open to the public St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 200 Riverside Avenue, Riverside, Ct.

Wednesday, July 24 at 7:30 PM

Courtyard Concert - Elizabeth Wells and Jennings Kohlberger. Elizabeth and Jennings are Greenwich residents and, of course, Elizabeth is well known in Riverside and is a parishioner St. Paul's. Works from piano, flute and flute/piano. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 200 Riverside Avenue, Riverside, Ct. Concert is free--- donations accepted--- and open to the public

Other Events

AGO 2019



Registration is now open for AGO Buffalo Niagara 2019, the Northeast Regional Convention of the American Guild of Organists! Please join us for an amazing week of world-class organs, organists, architecture and natural beauty.

Featured artists include **Nathan Laube** performing on the Hook & Hastings/Andover Centennial Organ at St. Joseph Cathedral, **Chelsea Chen** on the 151 Rank Möller/Parsons Organ at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, **Katelyn Emerson** on the C.B. Fisk Organ at the University at Buffalo and **David Higgs** on the 81 Rank Aeolian-Skinner Organ at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Additional performances include outstanding artists **Michael Hey, Bruce Neswick, Judy Congdon, Abigail Rockwood, Stephen Price, Roland Martin** and **Joshua Stafford** and the choral groups **Vocalis** and the **Harmonia Chamber Singers**. Convention-goers will also be able to hear the Wurlitzer Theater Organ at historic Shea's Theater in a performance by world-renowned theater organist, **Richard Hills**. A commissioned anthem for choir and organ by **Carson Cooman** will be also premiered at the opening service.

The very affordable regular registration fee of just \$395/Special \$350 includes the transportation package for the entire week and three lunches. The AGOYO (young organists under 30 years of age) registration fee is only \$50 to encourage as many of our young organists to attend as possible!

You will not want to miss this convention in Buffalo, a city in the midst of an amazing cultural re-birth. Please come join us!

More information and a link to register are available at www.Buffalo2019.org. We look forward to seeing you in Buffalo from July 1-4, 2019.