

# American Guild of Organists District of Columbia Chapter

*THE COUPLER* NEWSLETTER

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE SUB-DEAN

Seasons Greetings and Happy New Year! I extend the warmest wishes to you and yours for a peaceful and productive 2014.

Exciting work is being done by your DC AGO Board of Directors. After many years of dedicated service, Joseph Ireland has retired as our Newsletter editor and Email Coordinator. We thank him for his service and hope to see him at many of our upcoming events.

The chapter web-site is up and running. If you have not logged on to it yet, please do. [[www.dcago.org](http://www.dcago.org)]. Please use the 'Contact Us' form to let us know of any suggestions for improvement. We also welcome your musical events to be added to our online calendar. Event submissions can be sent to [DCAGOCHAPTER@gmail.com](mailto:DCAGOCHAPTER@gmail.com).

The Board is also taking over publication of *The Coupler* as well as blast email communications. If you have any information that would like to appear in *The Coupler*, our monthly newsletter, or a blast email request to all chapter members, submissions can be sent to [DCAGOCHAPTER@gmail.com](mailto:DCAGOCHAPTER@gmail.com).

We look forward to serving you!

We have two exciting events coming up in February. First, on Tuesday, February 11 at 7pm, we will meet with Jack Bethards, President of Schoenstein Organ Company, to see, hear, and discuss his new instrument at Georgetown University's Dahlgren Chapel of the Sacred Heart. This event is free of charge. Jack is a wonderful man and is full of knowledge. His organs are among the most impressive being built today.

Secondly, on Monday, February 17, we will have our annual Presidents' Day Road Trip. This year, we will be traveling to Staunton, Virginia to visit the Taylor and Boody Organ Shop. Last year's trip to Philadelphia was a great success and you will not want to miss out on this opportunity. We will depart Bethesda, Maryland by luxury coach at 8am, travel to Staunton for a tour of the shop, followed by a catered lunch. After lunch, we will visit two Taylor and Boody instruments in Staunton before returning to Bethesda for an anticipated 8pm return. The cost to members is \$50 which includes the bus and lunch. For reservations, please email [DCAGOCHAPTER@gmail.com](mailto:DCAGOCHAPTER@gmail.com)

Remember to treat one another kindly in this New Year and to be filled with gratitude when you make music. See you soon,

Russell Weismann  
Sub-Dean

## REMAINING CHAPTER EVENTS

Tuesday, 11 February 2014 7pm  
An Evening with Jack Bethards  
Georgetown University Chapel of the Sacred Heart  
37<sup>th</sup> and O Streets, NW  
James Wickman, host

Monday, 17 February 2014 All Day  
Presidents' Day Road Trip  
Taylor and Boody Organ Builders, Staunton Virginia

Monday 19 May 2014 7pm  
Members' Improvisation Showcase, Annual Meeting, and Dinner  
Franciscan Monastery  
1400 Quincy Street NE

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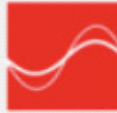


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