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## MAY CHAPTER MEETING

Our last meeting for the 1994-95 year will be on Wednesday, May 17, at 7:30 p.m. Joan Stevens and Parley Belnap will be giving us an overview on the life of Flor Peeters. The meeting will be held in Dr. Belnap's office at BYU in Room 208, HFAC. We appreciate their efforts in preparing this information to share with us.

We also appreciate the time that David Pickering and the other BYU students spent organizing such a nice evening for us at last month's hymn sing.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL/SURVEY

This is another reminder that the membership renewal period began April 1 and ends this fall. Please fill out the enclosed form and return it, with your dues, to Joan Barnett.

On the back of the membership form is a survey to help the executive officers determine what your interests are. With this information, they can more effectively plan next year's meetings to suit your needs. Please return it as soon as possible.

## RECITALS

--Douglas Bush will be giving a organ recital on Thursday, May 18, at 8:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Madeleine in SLC. His program will include trumpet, saxophone, and dual organs (with David Young) playing the Soler Concerto in G minor.

Also, on Friday, June 16, at 8:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Madeleine, Doug will play an all-Bach recital.

--On Sunday evening, June 11 (place TBA), Lella Pomeroy will be giving an organ recital in preparation for a recital that she will be giving immediately following with the Region IX Convention in Phoenix, Arizona.

Lella's Phoenix recital will be held on Friday, June 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the Phoenix Stake Center, 43rd Avenue and En Canto. She will be playing on a eleven-rank Moeller.

In addition, on Saturday, June 24, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Lella will be conducting workshops at the Phoenix Stake Center.

**Provo Central Stake Concert Series - May 14, 8:00 p.m., Jennifer Dutton Garrett, violin, Provo Central Stake Center, 450 N. 1200 W.**

**Music for a Sunday Evening - May 28, 7:00 p.m., David Young, Organ Recital, State Hospital Chapel, 1300 E. Center, Provo**

**CAZ IX AGO**  
*Summer SoundSplash '95*  
 June 18 - 22, 1995  
 Have you registered?  
 Call 1 800 807-0107 x246  
 For Information and Forms

## FAR WEST REGIONAL CONVENTION NEWS

**NewsSplash '95 (#8), by Mark Ramsey**

This is the final wave of information on "Summer SoundSplash '95," the Region IX Convention of the AGO. The convention will be held June 18-22 in Phoenix, Arizona.

A variety of southwestern cultural experiences will be included at the Regional, such as a pre-convention "El Tour de Tucson" on Saturday, June 17. Coordinated by Cherie Wescott and the Southern Arizona Chapter, this day trip to the city of Tucson, located 100 miles southeast of Phoenix, will feature a variety of sites in the area, with historic churches and organs in the morning and new installations in the afternoon. The tour will leave Scottsdale early on Saturday morning and first visit San Xavier del Bac Mission and then continue to the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Following lunch, the tour will visit the new organ and concert hall at the University of Arizona and other new organs as time permits, returning to the Phoenix area in the late afternoon.

There will be three worship services during the convention. The opening service will feature organist Sue Vaughn Westendorf, the sanctuary Choir of Central United Methodist Church in Phoenix under the direction of Donald E. Morse, and the Scottsdale English Handbell Ensemble directed by Kay Cook. An ecumenical praise service in Cave Creek will feature the music of native-American composer Brent Michael Davids, and worship will be led by Central Arizona Chapter Chaplain Rev. Stephen E. Wayles. The closing service will feature organist Michele McCartney, the Phoenix Boys Choir under the direction of Dr. Harvey K. Smith, and the music of organist-composer Carol Peterson.

Panel discussions will be moderated by Joy Lubeck of the Phoenix Bach choir and George Dupere, Associate Minister of Music and Worship at Camelback Bible Church. The panels will investigate methods of promoting

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public awareness of the pipe organ, and contemporary worship issues: "Are we honoring our congregations by the style of worship that we impose on them?"

Lew Williams will perform a theater organ concert at the home of Bill and Barbara Brown. From 1979 until 1987 Lew was staff organist at the Organ Stop Pizza restaurants in Phoenix and Mesa, Arizona, where he appeared nightly, playing on two large Wurlitzer pipe organs. Concert work has taken him around the USA several times, and he has played numerous concert tours of England, where he was engaged twice as a clinician at the annual Cinema Organ Society workshop in London.

Post-convention activities include a concert by the Valley Chamber Chorale, directed by Christopher Samuel, and an organ crawl to revisit and play several of the organs featured during the convention.

1996 will be the centennial year of the American Guild of Organists, and the 1995 Regional IX Convention will focus on this heritage. With our desire to foster growth in our chapters and to increase public awareness of the pipe organ, show your support by attending Summer SoundSplash '95!

#### Additional Notes from the Convention Registrar

- 1. Pre-registration end:** April 30 was the deadline for pre-registration rates. The price for all registrations postmarked after April 30 will be \$195 regardless of the classification--i.e., regular/senior/student/partner registration will ALL be \$195 each.
- 2. Cancellation policy reminder:** Cancellations that were before April 30 will receive a 50% refund. Cancellation notices after April 30 will not receive a refund.
- 3. Senior registration:** Seniors are those 65 years of age or older. Please send a photocopy of something with your birth date on it as proof of age.
- 4. Clarification of convention fees:** All lunches are included for full convention registrants (regular, senior/student and partner). The \$12.50 Wednesday lunch fee at the Red Mountain Resort is an extra charge for DAILY REGISTRANTS ONLY.

**5. A reminder to chapter historians:** The 1995 regional conventions are focusing on our heritage in anticipation of AGO's Centennial Year in 1996. Keep your chapter scrapbook up to date and plan on bringing it for display at Summer SoundSplash '95 (if you're unable to come, please send it with someone else in your chapter).

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#### AGO CENTENNIAL RECITAL

On Saturday, April 13, 1996, the American Guild of Organists will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. To commemorate this event, all the AGO chapters across the United States have been asked to hold member recitals on Sunday, April 14, 1996--each starting at 4:00 p.m. It was requested that each recital begin with J. S. Bach's "Tocatta and Fugue in D Minor."

If you would like to participate, please fill in that blank on the enclosed survey.

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#### AGO CENTENNIAL VIDEO

Emmy Award-winning film producers David Kennard and Judy Flannery have already begun making a 55-minute pipe organ documentary entitled "Pulling Out All The Stops." It will air on television and be distributed to educational institutions during the AGO Centennial in 1996.

A special 90-minute version can be ordered now for \$29.95, plus \$5.00 for shipping and handling. It contains at least 30 additional minutes of concert segments not included in the broadcast version.

If you didn't receive a "Pulling Out All the Stops" brochure and would like to order a video, please write to:

AGO/Pulling Out All The Stops  
c/o American Guild of Organists  
475 Riverside Drive--Suite 1260  
New York, NY 10115

(See also p. 82 of the May issue of TAO.)

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PIPEDREAMS - KBYU-FM 89, Tuesdays , 9:00 p.m.

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