2007 Summer Conference Opportunities

June 17-22 or June 24-29 (identical programs), Montreat Worship and Music Conference, sponsored by the **Presbyterian Association of Musicians**, in Montreat, NC, www.presbymusic.org for more information.

July 8-13, Westminster Worship and Music Conference, sponsored by the **Presbyterian Association of Musicians**, at Westminster College, New Wilmington, PA, www.presbymusic.org for more information.

July 8-12, **Association of Lutheran Church Musicians** National Conference, "From Generation to Generation," Houston, Texas, including a Hymn Festival and Bach Vespers, www.alcm.org for more information.

2007 American Guild of Organists Regional Conventions

Region I: Rhode Island Chapter, Providence, RI: June 24-27, for more information contact David Morse at (H) 401-486-0244, (W) 401-331-8900, drigor480s@aol.com, www.riago.org.

Region II: New York City, NY, NY: July 1-5, for more information contact Sebastian Gluck at (cell) 917-749-0827, (W) 212-608-5651, tubamagna@aol.com, www.nycago.org/2007.

Region III: Baltimore Chapter, Baltimore, MD: July 2-5, for more information contact John C. Walker at (W) 412-682-4300, ext. 124, (H) 410-828-7887, jw4700@msn.com, www.baltimoreago.org.

Region IV: Atlanta Chapter, Atlanta, Georgia: June 17-20, for more information contact Bruce Neswick (Co-Coordinator) at (H) 678-547-0482, (W) 404-365-1051, bneswick@stphilipscathedral.org or John Brandt (Co-Coordinator) at jbrandt@mindspring.com, convention2007@agoatlanta.org.

Region V: Columbus Chapter, Columbus, OH: June 25-28, for more information contact Albert Adcock at (H) 614-889-5481, (W) 614-457-6290, beachngarden@columbus.rr.com, www.agocolumbus.org.

Region VI: Lincoln Chapter, Lincoln, NE: June 18-21, for more information contact John Friesen at (H) 402-467-4316, JohnCFriesen02@juno.com, www.agolincoln.org/festival2007.html.

Region VII: Dallas Chapter, Dallas, TX: June 17-20, for more information contact David Stinson at (H) 972-934-2749, (W) 972-690-0095, jgo544@airmail.net, www.dallasago.org.

Region VIII: Portland, Portland,OR: July 1-5, for more information contact Phyllis Ernsberger at (H) 503-253-3563, (W) 360-892-7160, phyllis1360@comcast.net, www.portlandago.org/2007.

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Register Now for a "Spring Ring"

Madison Area Concert Handbells (MACH) is sponsoring a festival for massed choirs on Saturday, March 17, 2007 at the west campus of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Madison. Entitled "Spring Ring," this day-long event will allow up to 12 handbell choirs to meet together for camaraderie and enrichment of skills while putting the finishing touches on six pieces during the morning rehearsals. After a catered lunch, individual choirs can rehearse if they've chosen to ring a solo piece. Other activities are planned for those not rehearsing. There will be a final review of the massed choir pieces and a 3:00pm concert (free-will offering) presenting the massed choir and solo pieces. A limited number of individual ringers can participate if their choir can't attend. The massed pieces are for 3-5 octaves. You may prepare any or all of them: Fanfare on O Worship the King, I Will Arise and Go to Jesus, When I Survey the Wondrous Cross, The Old Ship of Zion, Psalm 17 (Keep Me as the Apple of Thy Eye), and When in Our Music God is Glorified.

Please let us know if you wish to be part of this fun event. Registration is \$20 per participant (which includes lunch) and is due by February 1. Please see MACH's website for further details: www.madisonhandbells.org.

Upcoming Events of Interest

Wednesday Noons: Organ Recitals at Luther Memorial Church in Madison from 12:00 -12:30pm will continue on the following schedule in the coming months: February 7, 14, 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 11, 18, 25 and May 2, 9, 16. For repertoire to be played and for parking information, see the church website at www.luthermem.org.

Friday Noons: Noon Musicales at the First Unitarian Society, 900 University Bay Drive, Madison, 12:15-1:00pm each Friday. For more information, see the church website at www.fusmadison.org.

Friday, March 30, 8:00pm: Organ Recital by Dr. John Chappell Stowe, AAGO, ChM, UW Professor of Organ and Harpsichord and Director of Graduate Studies, at Bethel Lutheran Church, 312 Wisconsin Avenue, Madison, 608-257-3577

Positions Available

(for more listings, see our website at www.madisonacm.org)

Part Time Minister of Music - First English Lutheran Church of Whitewater is seeking a qualified individual to oversee and direct its adult and children's choirs. Successful candidate will also work closely with Pastoral and Music staff to select music and provide music leadership for worship services. Some directing experience is required. The position involves up to 10 hours per week.

Contact: First English Lutheran Church, 401 W. Main St., Whitewater, WI, 53190, 262-473-507, or e-mail: felcsec@idcnet.com

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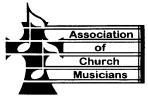
For more information on this and other activities at the Mound, contact Guest Services at 608-748-4411 or visit our Web site at www.sinsinawa.org. Sinsinawa Mound, the Motherhouse for the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters, is located in southwest Wisconsin on County Road Z, off Highway 11, about five miles northeast of Dubuque.

Choral Conductor's Art Workshop, June 18 - 21, 2007

The UW-Madison School of Music and the Division of Continuing Studies in Music announce an exciting Choral Conducting Workshop in June 2007. This workshop welcomes church choral conductors (even aspiring conductors) who would like to improve their conducting skills in ways that make their performances more musical. The workshops, led by Beverly Taylor (UW-Madison) and Edward Maclary (University of Maryland School of Music), include lecture, demonstration, practicum, and video review/coaching sessions. All participants receive ample podium time with ensembles of varying sizes. Throughout the workshops, lectures and coaching sessions will focus on conducting issues such as text inflection, text analysis, finding and communicating, musical and textual core, matching gesture to musical ideas embedded in the score, choral-orchestral conducting strengthening and clarifying physical presentation, Primary repertoire for the workshop includes sacred works of Mozart, Victoria, Batten, Bruckner, and Dering. These will be supplemented with additional examples.

Professors Taylor and Maclary are committed to high-quality, personalized instruction, and will work with all participants. Because of this, enrollment in the workshop is limited to fifteen. However, additional participants may enroll as observers at a reduced enrollment fee. For more information on this workshop or to request a brochure, contact Andrea Bontrager Yoder at 608-263-6670, or e-mail music@dcs.wisc.edu.

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