

June 2010



THE PIPELINE

It's party time again!

Can an entire year have passed this quickly? Time sure flies when you're having fun, and the Waterbury AGO has nothing if not **FUN!** It's that time of year again, and our own Alice Mancinone is eagerly awaiting the annual invasion of Casa De Mancinone by the boisterous AGO crowd! There will be food (pot-luck, bring something, just like always!), spirits (both free and the bottled variety!), our patented conviviality, and, weather permitting, swimming in the lago de Mancinone!

about the state of the Chapter, and have the opportunity to actually participate in the process of creating the 2011 program!

So hasten to 67 Todd Place, Wolcott CT at 5pm on Sunday June 6th for the party of the year! See you all there!

Coming Attractions:

- Sunday 6 June—Party and Annual Meeting at Alice's place, 5pm until ?.
- See calendar on the website

On Sunday, June 6th we will gather at 5pm for the festivities, which will include, as a nod to propriety, the Annual Meeting of the Loyal Order of Raccoons, otherwise known as the Waterbury Chapter of the AGO. You will hear from the board members



Alice's place (photo courtesy CIA)

Daniel Roth at Wanamaker!



Daniel Roth and She-Who Must-Be-Obeyed in Philly

Daniel Roth caught the first flight out of Paris after the volcanic ash shutdown in late April and made it to Philadelphia in time for his scheduled concert at the Wanamaker Organ. This was the first time that Roth, the titulaire at St. Sulpice in Paris, had concertized on the world's largest instrument, and no one who attended this historic concert was disappointed. Following in the footsteps of his predecessor Dupre, Daniel Roth played a brilliant concert composed of classics, his own transcription of Franck's Symphony

in D Minor for Orchestra, and of course a magnificent improvisation. The concert, which was the regular Saturday store concert, was very well attended and the verdict was unanimous—Outstanding!

You can see and hear portions of the concert online at YouTube. Just search on Roth Wanamaker and you will find the recordings. Enjoy!

Dear friends and colleagues of the Waterbury Chapter, the annual “time to pay your dues” is once again here! For many of us, this means printing or cutting out the renewal form and mailing it to George, for others, we have to find a way to pay yet another subscription...

But, in a word, it’s worth it.

When I moved to Connecticut ten years ago, I chose to join the Waterbury Chapter after attending events at several regional chapters. I chose Waterbury because of the warmth, professionalism with honest humility and general sense of family that I found among the membership.

If you have not recently reviewed the organization of the AGO; apart from the collegiality that membership in the Waterbury Chapter provides, the AGO provides a wealth of benefits and opportunities under the guidance of the National Officers; Councilors for Education, Professional Development, Competitions and Conventions, and Finance and Development; Regional Councilors; and working committees — all volunteer leaders of the Guild.

Educational Activities

- National and Regional Conventions
- Annual Pedagogy Conferences
- Chapter events: performances, workshops, meetings, and seminars
- Competitions in organ performance, organ improvisation, and organ and choral composition.
- Pipe Organ Encounters for teens and adults
- PipeWorks for elementary school children

Certification

A comprehensive series of examinations for professional certification provides respected credentials for members and standards of excellence recognized by churches, synagogues, schools, and other employers.

- Service Playing (SPC)
- Associate (AAGO)
- Colleague (CAGO)
- Fellow (FAGO)
- Choir Master (ChM)

Professional Development

- Salary and compensation guidelines
- Model provisions for employment contracts

- Chapter placement services; National job postings
- Assistance with denominational relations
- Support for musical education of clergy
- Management and planning for church musicians

Publications

- **THE AMERICAN ORGANIST Magazine**, published monthly by the AGO, is the most widely read journal devoted to organ and choral music in the world. Articles cover contemporary and historic instruments; musicological studies; reviews of new music, books, and recordings; practical aspects of sacred music; listings of professional resources and events, and news of the field; plus display and classified advertising. Other publications of the Guild include books, recordings, and resources on topics as diverse as performance practice, organ construction, and compensation.
- Chapter newsletters
- Educational brochures, audio and video cassettes, books, monographs, and pamphlets.

AGO Group Insurance

As a member of the American Guild of Organists you are entitled for any of the AGO-sponsored Group Insurance Plans. Take advantage of the AGO's group buying power while protecting your financial future and that of your family. For more information on the AGO-sponsored Group Insurance Plans, please go to:

<https://www.personal-plans.com/ago/welcome.do>

Other Benefits

- Discounts on AGO convention registration fees and educational resources
- Eligibility for an American Guild of Organists Platinum Plus® MasterCard® credit card
- Liability Insurance for Chapter Events

Please consider what the AGO means to you, and what you mean to the AGO - and send in your renewal soon!

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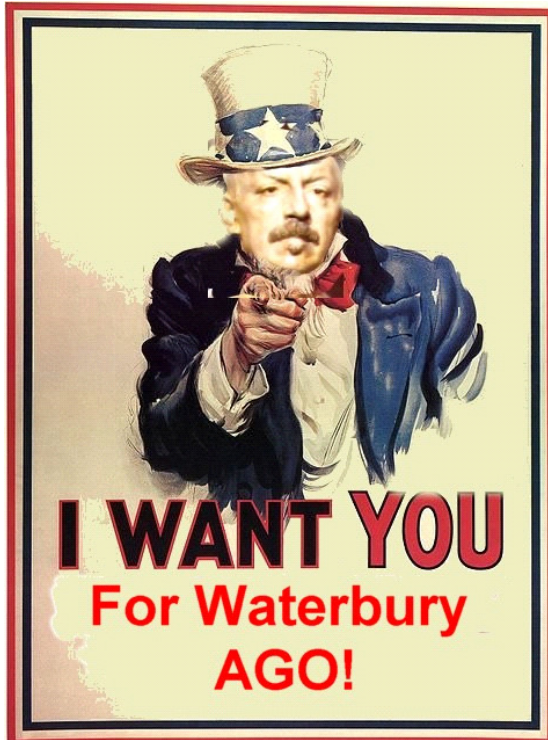
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Proposed program 2009-2010

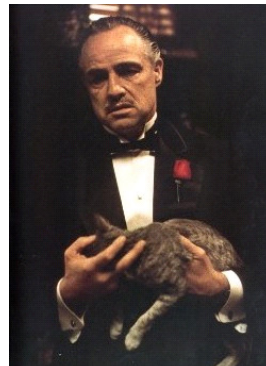
You will have the opportunity to participate in the process of creating the program for 2010-2011!! The board will gather at Alice's for the picnic and the membership will join with the board to discuss and plan the upcoming year's activities! You always wanted to be a part of the process and this is your chance—and you don't even have to put up with being on the board!!!



Renew Now!

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*"I'll make him an
offer he won't
refuse!"*