



# VOX PRINCIPALIS



The Newsletter of the  
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## Chapter Events for 2014–2015 Season

The chapter is excited to present a variety of events during this year's season. Many events have yet to have details finalized. These details will be made public once finalized. Chapter members and friends can expect communications regarding these events. Information about all events will be posted on the chapter website.

### Chapter Dinner & Meeting | 14 September 2014

This year's opening event will be held at Whiskey River restaurant (34166 Hwy 99) outside Saint Peter. Dinner, conversation, and our annual chapter meeting will be enjoyed. Official business will begin 5:30pm; members and friends can begin arriving at 5:00pm. More information about the restaurant can be found at [www.riversp.com](http://www.riversp.com).

Afterwards, all are invited to attend a recital presented by Dr. Chad Winterfeldt at Gustavus. The recital begins at 7:30pm in Christ Chapel.

### Kalevi Kiviniemi Recital | 21 November 2014

Internationally acclaimed Finnish organist and improviser Kalevi Kiviniemi will present a recital at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College (800 W College Avenue). The recital begins at 7:30pm. The recital is sponsored by Gustavus Artists Series. A ticket cost is associated with the recital (\$12 adult, \$9 seniors/students). The STAGO will cover half the ticket price for chapter members and friends. Please plan to attend!

### Plainchant Workshop | January 2015

This workshop will detail some of the historical context of plainchant and its use in the church. Clergy, musicians, and the people simply interested in the topic are welcome to attend this informative session on a fundamental practice of the church. Further details to be announced.

### Pedals, Pipes, Pizza | February 2015

The STAGO will host an event for young students interested in the pipe organ. The day will run mid-morning to mid-afternoon. Students will have the opportunity to play and learn about various aspects of the organ and its history. Further details to be announced.

### Annual Student Recital | April or May 2015

The STAGO presents its annual student recital featuring area college and high school students. Recital will feature the 63-rank Hillgreen-Lane/Hendrickson organ in Christ Chapel at Gustavus Adolphus College. Further details to be announced.

### Summer Noontime Organ Recital Series 2015

The chapter will continue its annually organized and sponsored recital series in Mankato. The venue has yet to be selected. Further details to be announced.

## ONCARD

### Online Nation Collection And Remittal of Dues

ONCARD is the new system being implemented by the AGO national office to collect membership dues and then provide funds for AGO chapters.

Renewals of Sioux Trails Chapter memberships will be handled entirely through the ONCARD process, rather than the mailing from our chapter treasurer. Soon you will be receiving an invitation from AGO national headquarters to renew your membership.

This email message will ask you to log in and update your personal information. In doing so, important information about AGO chapter membership is collected and the membership renewal process runs smoothly. Watch for the email, and then remember to renew your membership promptly.

Please note that our chapter has experienced some difficulty in this transition. Some emails have alerted members to progress made in resolving such matters. All problems have been resolved. If you do not receive communication from AGO headquarters in the coming weeks, please contact Wayne Wagner or Ron Shilling.

More information about the ONCARD system and AGO membership renewal can be found at [agohq.org/membership/membership-overview/](http://agohq.org/membership/membership-overview/)

## Thoughts from the Summer Organ Recital Series 2014

### Chad Winterfeldt

Organ music is alive and well in Mankato. For the ten years I've been in the area, the annual recital series presented by our chapter has been a highlight of my summer, and I would guess yours as well. This consistent and praiseworthy achievement of our chapter continues to please audiences weekly in the summer months, and I am grateful for the efforts of those who make this series a success. It is through the hard work and dedication of those who organize, prepare, practice, and present the recitals that we continue to be ambassadors for the art and music that we love.

Thanks to all in our chapter who help make our annual summer recital series a grand success. Once again, members and friends of the chapter presented ten engaging and well-played recitals that demonstrated the beauty and majesty of the pipe organ. Audiences for the recitals were appreciative and faithful in attendance over the course of the summer. The Holtkamp at Bethlehem Lutheran proved to be versatile and expressive for a broad range of repertoire, and the opportunity to hear the instrument repeatedly offered much revelation. I was delighted to hear the swell flute sing so sweetly (something that is not so noticeable when sitting at the console) and to hear the depth of dynamic range of the swell tutti. These and many more observations could not happen unless there is performer and listener, and I am happy to be both. I am sure that the rest of you would agree about the joys of playing and listening.

While I was not able to attend each recital offered, I would guess that I am like many who appreciate knowing that when I'm in town, there will be a recital to attend. So, again, thank you! Here's to anticipating the next summer's program.

Please remember that by chapter tradition, recitalists enjoy a free meal at our fall dinner gathering. So, performers, come and get it! And listeners, come and greet and thank all who were involved.

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## Chad Winterfeldt in Recital – 14 September

Dr. Chad Winterfeldt, newly appointed Cantor at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, will present a recital of works for pipe organ at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, September 14 in Christ Chapel on the Gustavus campus, 800 W. College Ave, Saint Peter, Minnesota. The program includes *Praeludium in E minor* by Nicholas Bruhns, *Toccata, Adagio, and Fugue in C major, BWV 564* by J.S. Bach, *Sonata No. 1 for Organ* by Paul Hindemith, and two movements from *Symphony No. 1* by Louis Vierne. The recital is free and open to all. Visit [gustavus.edu/finearts](http://gustavus.edu/finearts) for more information.

## Other Notable Events in the Area

### September 19, Friday – 7.30pm

Daryl Robinson plays a free recital on the Blackington organ in Benson Great Hall on the campus of Bethel University (3900 Bethel Drive) in the Arden Hills neighborhood of St. Paul.

### September 25, Thursday – 7.30pm

Janette Fishell, from Indiana University, plays a free recital on the newly renovated organs at the Cathedral of Saint Paul (239 Selby Avenue).

### October 30, Thursday – 7.30pm

French organists Jean-Baptiste Robin plays a free recital on the newly renovated organs at the Cathedral of Saint Paul (239 Selby Avenue).

### November 9, Sunday – 7.30pm

Nathan Laube from the Eastman School of Music plays a free recital on the Kney organ of St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel at the University of St. Thomas (Cleveland & Ashland).

### November 21, Friday – 7.30pm

Kalevi Kiviniemi plays a concert on the Hillgreen-Lane/Hendrickson organ in Christ Chapel at Gustavus Adolphus College (800 W College Avenue), St. Peter. Admission.

### November 21, Friday – 7.30pm

Stephen Tharp plays a free recital on the Glotter-Götz organ at Augustana Lutheran Church (1400 S. Robert Street), West St. Paul.

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- A message from the STAGO Dean, Wayne Wagner
- Tales from abroad: a report from Paul Otte's recent tour of Germany and some its organs