



# En Chamade

Newsletter of the Northwest Arkansas Chapter,  
American Guild of Organists

May 2018



## *From the Dean...*

The last item of business for the chapter is our program year-end meeting on Sunday, May 20th, at 6 p.m., at AQ Chicken, 1207 N Thompson Ave (US 71-B), Springdale. We will send out a reminder to RSVP, most likely along with the voting information so that you will only have one email from us mid-May. However, you can RSVP now if you'd like, in one of the three ways:

By email: [brochite@gmail.com](mailto:brochite@gmail.com)

By phone: 479-268-6422

By text: 203-539-0641

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## *From the Sub-Dean...*

**Our April event, a "Musical Potluck,"** took place at First United Methodist Church (Bella Vista) on a so-beautiful springtime Saturday morning.

Delicious and abundant brunch food and drink items were brought by members and arranged beautifully, under the supervision of Robbie Hubbard. After a blessing offered by our Chaplain Rev. Melissa Ehrhardt, we settled in for a comfy time of conversation and good food. And after that friendly and companionable time, we adjourned to the sanctuary where we listened to each other's selections for the day.

Thanks goes out to Ernest Whitmore for organizing and coordinating that aspect of the morning.



Rev. Melissa Ehrhardt, Jeannie Lee, Broc Hite, Robbie Hubbard, Ernest Whitmore, and Scott Montgomery at First United Methodist, Bella Vista

## **Thoughts after the April event:**

*I appreciate all of your God-given musical talents. This morning's music was nourishment for my soul.*

-- Pastor Melissa Ehrhardt

*Truly a potluck of repertoire: hymn variations spanning Samuel Scheidt to Charles Callahan, Franck's 'Priere', a package of Gordon Young service pieces, and a Bruhns Praeludium. What a delight! Do I hear "smorgasbord"??*

-- Ernest Whitmore

*I like this format better than our traditional one where we had a public recital. I don't think we would have heard Pastor Melissa's story about her German nanny experience, talk about Yamaha C-Series pianos, tornadoes, or a host of other topics without the intimacy this event provided.... I also enjoy hearing new-to-me organ literature.*

-- Broc Hite, Dean & Host-church contact

Thanks to everyone who attended and made the event a happy success. Be sure to mark your calendar and don't miss out next year!

*Jeannie*

## Report from the Nominating Committee

The election process for next year's officers is well under way. Please observe the following deadlines/dates:

**May 15:** Additional nominations no longer accepted. Election ballot email is sent out.

**May 20:** End-of-year dinner meeting for VOTING, plus year-end reports.

Please do make plans to attend! 6pm at AQ Chicken in Springdale.

**May 31:** Absentee balloting closes. Results are tallied and results published.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the members of the Nominating Committee: Linda Kelly, Sara Sharp or Jeannie Lee.

See you all at AQ Chicken on the 20th!

*Jeannie*