

## Highlights of the 74th GCNA Congress

*Yale University; New Haven, Connecticut; June 16-20, 2016*

**The Guild extends its thanks to Yale University and Congress Hosts Ellen Dickinson, Lynnli Wang, Megan Brink, and the Yale University Guild of Carillonneurs for the welcome and success of the 74th Annual Guild Congress.**

In addition, it extends thanks to sponsors who contributed to the week's success: John Taylor & Co; The Verdin Company; Meeks, Watson & Company; Royal Eijsbouts; Branford College.

There were 40 first-time attendees this year, about half of whom received first-time attendee scholarships! Adam Kelley, Alex Johnson, Anders Lewis, Andrew Jirele, Andrew Stautz, Anna Kiriazes, Aubrey Lawson, Billie Sun, Bryan Chong, Carlos Colón-Ortiz, Craig Goodman, Elisa Tersigni, Emily Graf, Eva Malaika Albalghiti, Heather Minghui Wang, Isaac Levine, Jakob De Vreese, Joan Shaw, Joan Wang, Joey Cotruvo, John R. Heard, John Whiteside, Joshua Chan, Joy Chiu, Kat Ziegler, Katie VanDeventer, Keith Jenkins, Kunál Marwaha, Michael Sloyan, Michela Garber, Mike Dzuris, Paige Liu, Parker Ludwig, Sarah Strickland, Scott R. Hummel, Shun Hu - Felix, Tamara Ramski, Taylor Keathley, Vivi Nguyen, and Will Richter.

During the opening business meeting, a moment of silence was observed for those who had passed in the previous year: Daphne Price-McCree, Marlene Payne, William Engle, Bea Gardner, and Peter Cake.

Congratulations to all three Carillonneur Examination candidates, who passed their examination recitals unanimously. They were Darren Zhu, Joseph Cotruvo, and Parker Ludwig.

Congratulations also to Angela Albay-Yenney, Taylor Keathley, Elsa Mundt, Joan Wang, and Devon Hansen, who earned their ACE certificates this year.

Two fully-funded Barnes Scholarships were awarded this year. Congratulations to Robin Austin, Lisa Lonie, and Janet Tebbel for being awarded the Barnes Scholarship for their project to develop a user-friendly finding aid for the Arthur Bigelow Collection residing in the Anton Brees Carillon Library.

Congratulations to Mitchell Stecker for being awarded the Barnes Scholarship for his project to study in depth the compositional techniques of Roy Hamlin Johnson, conducting historical research at the Anton Brees Carillon Library and interviews with the composer and with Milford Myhre.

The Board awarded a Certificate of Extraordinary Service to John Bordley for his work as editor and publisher of the Bulletin from 2010 to 2016, in those six years publishing 11 issues for the years 2007-2016.

Honorary Membership has been conferred in 2016 on Bud Slater, who joined the Guild in 1955. It was the first of 46 Congresses he attended in an unbroken line, serving as President and Congress Host (as well as painstakingly hand-lettering certificates for new Carillonneur members!)

The 75th Congress will be held at the Emery Memorial Carillon in Mariemont, Ohio from June 18 to June 22, 2017.

### **Board of Directors 2016-2017**

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Class of 2017: Dennis Curry, David Hunsberger, Julianne Vanden Wyngaard

Class of 2018: Joey Brink, Dianne Heard, Carol Anne Taylor

Class of 2019: Tim Sleep, Roy Lee, Ed Nassor

### **New Committee Chairs 2016-2017**

Bulletin: Kim Schafer

Additionally, an ad hoc committee on diversity was established, chaired by Tiffany Ng. A full list of committee chairs will appear in Carillon News.

## **Board Actions**

1. Approved minutes from the February, 2016 Teleconference.
2. Agreed to continue scholarships for first-time Congress attendees as currently administered.
3. Approved the Barnes Committee's appointment of the following jurors to the Barnes Scholarship jury in 2017: Lyle Anderson, Linda Dzuris, Dave Johnson, Ed Nassor, and Daniel Zlatin, with Helen Hawley and Tin-Shi Tam as alternates.
4. Approved a contract with Julie Ford of \$2000 for the first half of a Heritage Music project to catalogue the materials of Frederick L. Marriott, held at the Kirk in the Hills, with the second half to be approved the following year.
5. Agreed to designate \$3000 from Courter Fund to sponsor first place prize at the North American Carillon School performance competition in 2017.
6. Awarded John Bordley a Certificate of Extraordinary Service for his work as editor and publisher of the GCNA Bulletin from 2010-2016.
7. Approved the 2017 Carillonneur Examination jury. The jurors will be Dave Hunsberger, Ray McLellan, Margaret Pan, Jeremy Chesman, Sally Harwood, and Helen Hawley. The first alternate will rotate among the main jurors, and the second alternate will be Kipp Cortez.

## **Other Board Actions 2015-2016**

*November 6, 2015*

1. Established an ad hoc committee to study the establishing of guidelines and an evaluation form for adequate and appropriate expenditure of the Courter and the Warner Endowment Funds.
2. Funded the initial request of a maximum of 100 hours to create an annotated inventory of the Todd Fair library at Oakland University.

*November 11, 2015*

1. Approved the request from the Springfield, Illinois Park District to host the 2018 Congress, with Carlo van Uift as Congress Host.

*February 2, 2016*

1. Approved the Fall 2015 Board Teleconference minutes.
2. Supported the report of the Franco Committee on the GCNA 75th Congress Composition Contest.
3. Agreed that the scholarship for first-time attendees is available only to members of the GCNA.
4. Approved the 2016 Carillonneur Examination jury. The jury for 2016 was Jeremy Chesman, Jeff Davis, Dave Hunsberger, Ray McLellan, and Margaret Pan. Sally Harwood and Dave Johnson (2016 only) were alternates.

## General Membership Actions

1. Those who had been previously in attendance approved the minutes of the General Business Meeting of the 2014 Congress at the University of Denver, Denver, Colorado, as corrected by Sally Harwood.
2. Approved the minutes of the General Business Meeting of the 2015 Congress at Missouri State University, Springfield, Missouri.
3. Approved Honorary Memberships, proposed by the Board in 2015, to Wylie Crawford, Larry Stephens, Jane and Kenneth Meyer, and Hugh and Nancy Elliott.
4. Extended Honorary Membership to James B. (Bud) Slater.
5. Approved the 2016-2017 budget.

## Announcements

14th International Carillon Festival in Perpignan:

*Perpignan, from July 13; Dennis Curry, opening recitalist*

First International Carillon and Organ Festival of Constância, Portugal:

*Constância, July 29-31, 2016*

Percival Price Symposium:

*Ottawa, October 1-2, 2016; The Singing Tower, theme; Pat Macoska, guest*

Texas Regional:

*Corpus Christi, October 28-29, 2016*

2017 Bok Tower Gardens International Carillon Festival:

*Lake Wales, March 4-12, 2017;*

*Ellen Dickinson, Lisa Lonie, Koen Cosaert, and Frans Haagen, guest carillonners*

University of Michigan Bicentennial:

*Ann Arbor; Carillon Symposium, March 2017;*

*A Carillon Lab for the 21st Century, Fall 2017*

International Carillon Improvisation Contest:

*Breda, September 9, 2016;*

*Beiaardcentrum Nederland and the Vlaamse Beiaardvereniging, hosts*

NACS International Carillon Competition:

*Springfield, IL, June 2-3, 2017, preceding International Carillon Festival*

WCF World Congresses:

*Barcelona, July 1-5, 2017; Longwood Gardens, July 2020*

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