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AGO Region VIII
**Fundraising
Appeal**
for the
Roosevelt High School
Froula Memorial Organ



Dear Region VIII AGO Member



As a member of the American Guild of Organists, you may know that Seattle's Roosevelt High School has an excellent reputation for music and fine arts. Less well-known is that Roosevelt has been home to the Froula Memorial Organ, given to the school in memory of their beloved first principal, Mr. V.K. Froula. Seattle Chapter AGO members have supported the instrument since October 1940, when Wallace Seeley, former Seattle Chapter Dean, played in the dedication concert. When a complete renovation of the school began in 2004, volunteers from the AGO and other organizations carefully removed the organ and placed it into storage.

To preserve the instrument and to ensure it has a home in the newly renovated school theatre, organ enthusiasts formed a group, "Friends of RHS Froula Memorial Organ." Together with the Pipe Organ Foundation, Puget Sound Theatre Organ Society, Maple Leaf Lutheran Church, and the alumni of RHS, \$78,637 was raised to secure space for two organ chambers and their communication lines, the console and the blower.

Financial Target	
Total Cost	\$178,637
Pledged Materials/Labor	\$75,000
Funds Raised	\$78,637
Fundraising Goal	\$25,000

We need your help to raise the final \$25,000. Region VIII AGO members have an extraordinary opportunity to support this effort. Using some of the proceeds from the 2000 AGO convention in Seattle, the Chapter Board has offered to match, dollar for dollar, all gifts up to \$12,500 made by our region to the rebuilding fund. If we can raise \$12,500, **that amount will be doubled**, and the rebuilding effort will have the needed funds to complete the organ installation in time for the 2008 Pipe Organ Encounter in Seattle. POEs introduce teenagers and young adults to the world of the pipe organ, and provide an invaluable opportunity for young musicians to meet others with similar interests.

Gifts of all sizes are welcomed and needed. Your tax-deductible gift to this endeavor will:

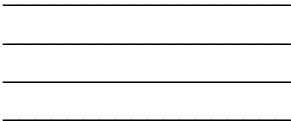
- provide an opportunity for our chapter to set up a model training program in organ for high school. Rebuilding this organ means that an instrument will be available for training young organists. AGO can be a major contributor to this fundamental effort with your support.
- cultivate the next generation of organists. AGO members have a compelling responsibility to encourage youth to become excellent organists, and Roosevelt High School is a fertile ground for growing those musicians — a school that has a long history of valuing music and the arts. AGO sponsorship of the rebuild, as well as future instructional volunteers at Roosevelt High School, can help complement the Guild's educational objectives.

Please don't hesitate to contact any Board member with questions about this opportunity. Thank you in advance for your kind consideration and generosity.



Construction of the school's theatre is now complete and it is time to move toward the next phase of this project—rebuilding the organ.

The rebuild effort will be headed by the Pipe Organ Foundation, a 501(c)(3) Public Charity. This Foundation, in concert with other organizations, will recruit and contribute approximately \$75,000 of volunteer labor to rebuild, update, expand, and tonally finish the instrument, leaving a balance of \$32,000 to complete the project. Of this \$32,000, \$7,000 is in hand.



Thank
You!

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Please help support the rebuilding of the Froula Memorial Organ today by sending your tax-deductible donation using the form below.

Remember, every dollar you contribute will be matched by the Seattle Chapter, so please be generous.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I wish to contribute \$750 \$500 \$250 \$100 Other \$_____

My employer will match my gift

This gift is in memory of _____

This gift is in honor of _____

Please make checks payable to **AGO Seattle Chapter**

Thank you for your generous support!

The AGO is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization.
Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.