

Dayton Ohio Chapter The American Guild of Organists

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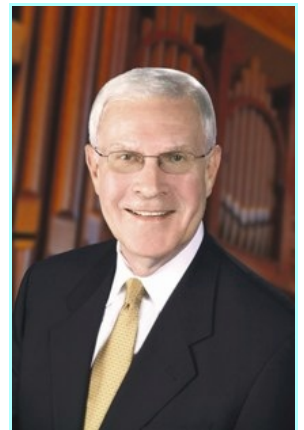
Items for **Trumpetings** should be sent to Aaron Sheaffer, editor (see phone & email above).

Next deadline: October 15

An Outstanding Weekend with Fred!

- **Saturday, October 9, 10-12 noon**, Dayton Chapter presents **Service Playing Workshop** (free) with **Frederick Swann** (at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Dayton).
- **Sunday, October 10, 4:00 pm, Memorial Organ Concert** (free) at Westminster Church, Dayton by **Frederick Swann**. *This may be the last time that Dayton audiences will be able to hear in concert this highly respected organist!*

Frederick Swann is the immediate past President (2002-2008) of the American Guild of Organists. He is Organist Emeritus of the Crystal Cathedral and of the First Congregational Church of Los Angeles, and Organ Artist-in-Residence at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Palm Desert, California. Mr. Swann is also University Organist and Artist Teacher of Organ at the University of Redlands in California. Officially "retired," Mr. Swann continues to perform on a reduced schedule.



Frederick Swann

Dean's Letter — Effie Sue Kemerley, Dean

Our Dayton Chapter had a very well attended first meeting September 13 at Vandalia United Methodist Church, with many new faces at both the carry-in dinner and the program. **Phyllis Warner** shared with us the presentation on hymn introductions which she gave at the Hymn Society of America this summer. Every member who came will be able to take these ideas back to their home churches and play more creatively. Thanks, Phyllis.

Coming up, the Dayton AGO October workshop is one you will not want to miss. **Fred Swann** will discuss service playing Saturday, October 9, from 10-12 noon. This session, at Westminster Presbyterian in Dayton, is free and open to all AGO members and students. **The Memorial Concert** will be held at Westminster the next day, October 10, at 4 pm. All together, a very worthwhile and enjoyable week-end to look forward to.

Effie Sue

Positions Available

To list job openings contact:
Terry Donat, Placement Coordinator
(See contact info above).

Position: Organist

Church: Old Troy Pike Community Church
Address: 475 Old Troy Pike, Dayton, OH 45404
Church Phone: (937) 233-5225
Organ: Allen; ADC series
Services: 1 service; Sunday am
No Choir
No Rehearsals
Contact: Kathy Elliott
Hm: (937) 836-6096
Cell: (937) 620-7079
e-mail:
kathymelliott@woh.rr.com

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Part time organist wanted to share responsibilities with existing organist.

Playing commitments would include a Wed. night choir rehearsal, Saturday evening vespers (Holden Evening Prayer), and an 8:30AM traditional liturgical Sunday service, two weeks out of each month.

Organ is a three manual Rodgers.
Please apply to David Seltzer,
seltzerdvd@yahoo.com,
937-643 9679.

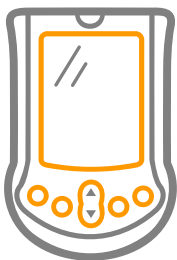
Position: Organist
Church: United Christian Church
Address: 8611 Hoke Road, Clayton, Ohio 45315
Phone: 832-3516
Organ: (electronic? contact church for more info)
Services: 1 Sunday; 10:00a
Choir: Yes; with rehearsal
Contact: Pastor Jeff Bartlett;
Ph 832-3516
E-mail: uccdisciples@swohio.twcbc.com

More Music/Arts Events

(For YOUR calendar AND to promote in your church)

- **Sunday, September 19, 3:00 pm Dayton Music Club** will hold its first musicale of the season at Kettering Adventist Church. The diverse program will feature soprano Susan Guina, violinist Rachel Cox and pianists Jennifer Cruz and Kareem Powell. Following the program we will honor the *Soirées Musicales* officers and board as the DMC Honoree of the Year. A light reception will follow the program.
- **Sunday, September 26, 4:00 pm, Piano Recital, Elizabeth Vandevander and Jennifer Shoup**, Pianists. A program of solo and 4-hand works by Haydn, Bach-Busoni, Bizet and Satie.
- **Noonday Organ Recitals at Westminster Church, Dayton:**
Thursdays during October, 12:10-12:35, Lunch follows each recital.
 - October 7 – Grant Wareham**, 14 year old winner of the *WDPR Public Radio Youth Talent Search and National composition winner of the National Federation of Music Clubs.*
 - October 14 – Priscilla Acuff**, organist of Fairhaven Church, Kettering
 - October 21 – Christi Wilson**
 - October 28 – Jerry Taylor**, Music Minister, Kettering Adventist Church.
- **Sunday, October 24, 4:00 p.m., Kettering Adventist Church**
“Gloria” a Concert by the Bach Society of Dayton with Orchestra
Gloria – Vivaldi; Cantata 12 (Weinen, Klagen, Sorgen, Zagen) – Bach; Canzonetta for Strings and Oboe – Barber; Mass in E Flat (Grosse Orgelmesse) – Haydn; *Featuring Eileen Whalen, Principal Oboist, the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra. Soloists: Andrea Chenoweth, Soprano; Audrey Walstrom, Mezzo-Soprano; Andrew Penning, Tenor; Timothy Bruno, Bass.* Concert Preview by Eileen Whalen, 3:00-3:45. For tickets call 294-BACH (2224).

Organists have such imaginations! See this Organist e-mail banter commenting on the St. John's Lutheran Dedication Concert:



Organist 1: That really was a nice dedication, too. It was particularly poignant for me as our church is probably approaching a major organ overhaul as well. Nice to see others have overcome some large hurdles!

Organist 2: Let's see . . . The headline will read: "Clifton's 5-manual 150-rank organ is now the largest instrument east of Westminster Presbyterian Church." Going on . . . "the Master Organ Grinder was stunning in his fashionable gold lamé ensemble, assembled in the Yellow Springs community by former Antioch hippies."

Organist 1: Better add . . . "and the new building required to house the slightly larger instrument (9 ranks to 150), resembles Notre Dame, but was constructed completely from locally quarried limestone".

Organist 1: Actually major for us is re-leathering the 1917 wind chests and correcting what I hope is a couple of nasty console issues . . . a big bill in a small church!

St. John's Lutheran Church Has Pipe Organ Dedication

Matt Dierking and Lynn Mishler

Yes, St. John's Lutheran Church definitely has pipe organ dedication. In spite of a series of daunting obstacles and setbacks, St. John's teamed with **Larry Stofer's** Rainbow Organ Company to complete the musical vision for the church organ begun by **David Weingartner**. The effort culminated in a wonderful instrument and the dedication service held Sunday, August 29.



unique, coupled and a few digital ranks. The refurbished console looks out over the sanctuary and has tilting tablets for both stops and couplers.



As The Service Began

The sanctuary was filled to overflowing when the masterful dedication organist, Mr. **David Comer** began to play. Comer is the organist at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Oakwood and holds degrees in music from Capital, Northwestern and Indiana Universities. He began with "An Organ Fanfare for St John's" composed by nationally known composer and Dayton artist **Gilbert M. Martin** – who also served as Comer's page turner! Written specifically to celebrate this organ, the fanfare highlighted the burnished copper pipes and trumpets which were the pride of the church's late music director and the original force behind the organ, **David Weingartner**.

Showcase for Many Voices

The dedication was a showcase for many voices – those of the organ, choir and congregation. Music Director **Jeffrey Powell** directed the choir voices in the moving anthem "Arise, My Soul, Arise," which he composed for the dedication. **Elizabeth Campbell Buckley**, mezzo soprano and **Mark Hofeldt**, cellist, performed "Pie Jesu" from Duruflé Requiem. These two outstanding musicians were accompanied by some of the more subtle voices of the organ. Mr. Comer gave an organ recital which displayed the range of color in the instrument. Selections included works by Bach, Hebble and the finale of Vierne's first organ symphony.



The organ

A beautiful, gallery instrument distributes 45 stops over three manuals and floating choir and echo divisions. The 17 pedal stops are composed of pedal

The Final Hymn, the Final Word!!

Pastor Jeffrey Campbell's homily asked why we should bother with the effort and expense of a pipe organ. In part he answered with Psalms, "Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre... praise him with resounding cymbals. Let everything that has breathe praise the lord" (Psalm 150:3-6). He reaffirmed that, pronouncing if the organ were silenced the walls and pews would sing out. But the final hymn had the final word with resounding combination of this wonderful new organ and congregation thundering: "*Now let all who hear to his temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration*". That is why we bother!

Congratulations to the congregation of St. John's, to the organ project manager, **Derek Maddox**, and to **Lawrence Stofer** and the Rainbow Organ Company. Well Done! Another excellent organ for the Dayton area and the worship of God.

Dayton Chapter American Guild of Organists 2010–2011 Programs

- **Monday, September 13**, Vandalia United Methodist Church.
6:30 pm Carry-in Dinner, 7:30 pm Program — **TNT—Text 'n Tune** led by Chapter member **Phyllis Warner**.
- **Saturday, October 9, 10 am to Noon**, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Dayton — **Service Playing Workshop** led by **Fred Swann**.
- **Monday, November 8, 7:30 pm**, Shiloh Church (UCC), Philadelphia Drive at North Main Street — **Music Plus One—Unusual Ways to Feature Instruments in Worship** (part concert, part workshop). Presenters **Aaron Sheaffer** and **Terry Donat**.
- **Saturday, February 12, 2011, 9:30–Noon. Pedals, Pipes and Pizza** for grades 1-12 pianists and/or aspiring, beginning organists plus parents. Pizza lunch.
- **Monday, March 28, 2011, 7 pm**, Kettering Adventist Church, 3939 Stonebridge Road, Kettering. **Working with Children's Voices**. Led by **Natalie DeHorn**, music director of the Kettering Children's Choir. She will use a young demonstration choir to bring out the best in children's voices.
- **April, Time to Be Announced** — St John's Lutheran Church, 141 South Ludlow, Dayton. **The Organ at St John's — A Builder's Perspective** led by Chapter member **Larry Stofer**, organ builder and owner of Rainbow Organ Company.
- **May 15, 2011, 4 pm**, Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 155 East Thruston, Oakwood. **Organ Academy in Recital — Installation of Chapter Officers**. We applaud the recital of our young students who study with our Academy teachers. The officers for 2011-2012 will be installed. A reception after celebrates the students' fine work.

The 1010-1011 Membership Directories are available. They were given to those who attended September 13 Vandalia meeting and will be available at the Westminster Church Workshop, October 9 and the Fred Swann concert on the 10th. After that, remainder will be mailed.



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