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

Upcoming Dayton Chapter and Area Events:

● **Saturday, February 12, 2011, 10 am – 12:00 noon** at Fairhaven Church, 637 East Whipp Rd — **Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza**. This fun-filled event is for elementary, middle, and high school students with piano skills. It is an introduction to the church organ. It includes a musical demonstration, organ crawl, video, and a chance for students to play a favorite piece on the pipe organ. Pizza will be served around noon at the conclusion of the program. Cost is \$5.



Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza at Fairhaven Church in 2005 had 30 participants, 2007 had 58 participants, and 2009 had 29. Some have begun organ study after attending PPP.

Organists: Look around and identify youth in your church and invite them to attend (Maybe you can even find “scholarships” for them!) Parents and teachers are welcome to attend, too. For more information or to register, contact **Priscilla Acuff** at Pjacuff711@sbcglobal.net or 937-296-1430 by Tuesday, Feb. 8th.

● **Sunday, January 23 at 4 pm – Weaver Chapel, Wittenberg University, Prof. Trudy Faber** will perform the headliner recital for a newly established Wittenberg Early Music Series. She will play organ and harpsichord pieces, ending with the *Passacaglia and Fugue* of J. S. Bach. All are welcome. The event is free.

● **Sunday, March 6, 4:00 pm – Bach’s St. John Passion – Bach Society of Dayton** (John Neely, Music Director) – Kettering Adventist Church – with orchestra – John Wesley Wright, Evangelist; Maura Janton Cock, Soprano; Steven Rickards, Countertenor; Tony Burdette, Tenor; Joshua Zink, Baritone – Concert preview at 3:00 p.m. by The Reverend John F. Koepke III, and The Reverend Dr. Rodney W. Kennedy - For ticket information phone 294-BACH.

Positions Available

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

Position: Director of Music (pianist & choir director)

Church: Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Of Yellow Springs

Address: 2884 US-68, Yellow Springs, OH
45387

E-mail: uccdisciples@swohio.twcbc.com

Organ: Piano only (no organ)

Services: 1 Sunday

Choir: Yes

Contact: Joel Goldberg 937-767-9026

Joelgoldberg@earthlink.net

or

Bobbi Treadwell 937 478-9015

Gbtreadwell@yahoo.com

Position: Church Organist/ Pianist

Church: Memorial United Presbyterian
Church

Address: 343 West Ankeney Mill Road
Xenia, OH 45385

Church Phone: 937 376-9461

Organ: 3 Manual Moller (1988)

Services: 1 Sunday; 10:30 a.m.

Rehearsal: Choir: Wednesday p.m.

Contact: Donald Humphries

937 426-2699

djhumphrys@earthlink.net

New Members:

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606 Acorn Dr.

Dayton, OH 45419

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New member **Linda Mench** is
Organist/Choir Master at St
George's Episcopal,
Centerville.

Dean's Letter — Effie Sue Kemerley, Dean

Like the seasons, an organist's year goes in continuously recurring



cycles. Concerning the Christmas season just passed, I had a comment from a long-time organist friend who is "glad the Christmas season is over," because he is "tired of Christmas music and carols after so many years." I find the opposite to be true. These familiar tunes, which have often been sung for centuries, are like old friends returning to me after twelve months away. And there is always a new piece I have never played before or a wonderful new arrangement of an old melody. As we

approach the Lenten/Easter season, may all of us never lose the wonder of what we convey to congregations through music.

Speaking of wonders, here is a message from **Michael Barone** of *PIPEDREAMS*, the wonderful organ program airing on public radio for over 28 years: "Though we might imagine that America Public Media's *PIPEDREAMS* is known to everyone, in reality it is not. [**Editor's Note:** the outlet nearest to Dayton is in Cincinnati. BUT!! It can be heard **anytime** through your computer by going to www.pipedreams.org.] Help increase awareness of our country's only nationally distributed organ music radio broadcast by listing basic promotional information in any and every program for local organ recitals, church bulletins, newsletters. When pledging local station support, ask about *PIPEDREAMS*. Lacking feedback, the station might be excused for thinking no one cares." I echo Mr. Barone's words and encourage all AGO members to include one of the paragraphs printed later in **Trumpetings** in concert/church bulletins whenever possible. *PIPEDREAMS* is truly unique.

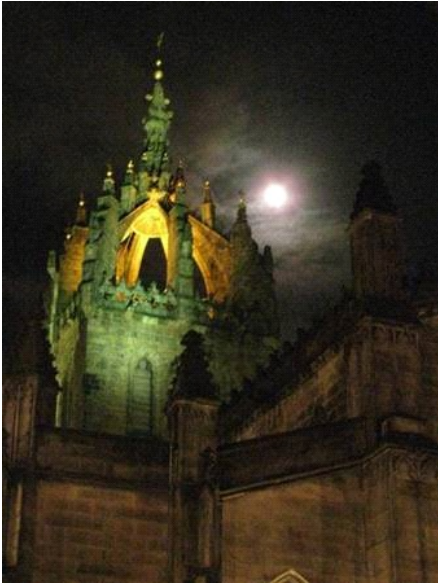
In conclusion, here are two plugs for our hard-working program planners. First, **Priscilla Acuff** is busy preparing for the February program, *Pedals, Pipes and Pizza*, on Saturday, February 12, at Fairhaven CMA Church. This is a great opportunity for any "kurious keyboard kids" to explore a new kind of keyboard, the *real* king. Let students, and their parents, know! Second, we have a local jewel sharing her expertise with us Monday, March 28, 7 pm when **Natalie DeHorn**, with singers from the **Kettering Children's Choir**, demonstrates bringing out the best in children's voices. Spread this information as you talk with church musicians. We want as many area youth choir directors as possible to benefit from all that she can show us.

I continue to enjoy being your Dean. I am looking forward to some excellent programs in the months to come, and I hope you will make time in your calendars to attend also.

Effie Sue

St. Giles in November ***Matt Dierking and Lynn Mishler***

A Bonnie Dauner translates to a beautiful stroll which is what we had in Edinburgh, Scotland. We stayed across from the Princess Garden at the foot of Edinburgh Castle and strolled the Royal Mile through the Old Town many times.



The open steeple of St. Giles Cathedral marks center of the Mile as well as the center of Edinburgh's religious community for the last 900 years¹. Since St. Giles is still regarded as the mother church of Presbyterianism, and we come from the not quite so large and not quite so old (circa, 1859) Presbyterian Church of Clifton, Ohio,



we made a special point to visit St. Giles and attend a service. From our stall pew, we were treated to the sounds of the 1992 Austrian Rieger organ and a wonderful 40 member choir.



On our first visit, we were lucky enough to meet Michael Harris, St. Giles Music Director as well as an accomplished organist. Michael took the



time to give us an impromptu and very personal tour of the 57 stop instrument. He demonstrated the various voices of the organ, and then played for about 30 minutes. Wonderful!

It seems like it just doesn't matter where you go. Organists are an incredibly friendly group willing to share their instruments, time, knowledge and talents. What a great group!

¹<http://www.stgilescathedral.org.uk/worship/music/organists.html>

**SUGGESTIONS FOR INCLUDING
IN YOUR CHURCH'S
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program archive at www.pipedreams.org.

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www.pandora.com
<http://www.organlive.com/>



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