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Fall Carry-in Dinner

Dayton Chapter September Meeting

Let's Celebrate!

Monday, September 16 – 6 pm

Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 155 E. Thruston Blvd, Oakwood

Your Board has worked hard to plan another exciting year. Most monthly plans are near completion—times to learn, to enjoy, to participate. The Program Book will soon be available—probably for the October 13th Organ Concert at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Our September meeting will be a **Celebration Dinner** with **Celebratory music** (bring some with you) and a **large music sale 6-9. Come and meet members you may not know**, including some of our newer members, hear details of meetings to come (especially the **Hallowe'en Party at Labarn**).

Carry-in Supper will begin at **6** with the program following at **7**. We suggest that (if possible) last names **A-G** bring main courses; **H-N** desserts; **N-Z** salads.



Yun Kim

An exciting look ahead: It has just been confirmed that our Chapter program on **March 30, 2014, 4 pm** will be a concert by our own **Yun Kyong Kim!** Yun played for the Regional AGO Convention this year, (comments were that she was the best of all!). The concert is sponsored by Dayton Chapter and Shiloh Church UCC. It will be the official opening celebration concert on Shiloh's Möller-Allen Organ. Please put this on all of your schedules and plan to promote it in your church.

Check her web site: www.yunkyongkim.com.

Area Concerts to add to your calendar for this season:

- **Sunday, October 13, 4 pm, Memorial Organ Concert**, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Dayton, **Chelsea Chen**, Organist.
- **Friday, October 18, 7pm** – Mount Pleasant Retirement Village, Monroe, Ohio, for the second time in five years, **James Welch**, International Organist, Author, and Lecturer, in a free organ recital, on the four-manual, Renaissance Allen Organ in Mary H. Kittredge Chapel, Mount Pleasant Retirement Village, 225 Britton Lane, Monroe, Ohio 45050. (Off I75 Monroe Exit. 35 miles or so from Dayton.)
- **October 25 and 26, 2013. Roberta Gary Celebration. Roberta Gary** has retired after a long and distinguished teaching career as Professor of Organ at the College-Conservatory of Music of the University of Cincinnati. This event will be held in Cincinnati.
- **Sunday, October 27, 4 pm, Dayton Bach Society: Lord Nelson Mass**, Haydn; *Chandos Anthem No. 9*, Handel. Kettering Adventist Church.

ABOUT

Job Openings:

Please check our Web Site www.agodayton.org regularly for job openings. It is continually updated.

Since openings and placement for organists, etc. often need urgent attention, we will no longer attempt to keep an accurate list in *Trumpetings*.

Our Placement Chair, Terry Donat, will continue to keep the web site agodayton.org updated.

Please refer any questions you receive from churches, organists, or yourself to the web site or call/email our Placement Chair, (contact info is in masthead.).

➡ Remember to publicize our Chapter's programs in your congregations. They are enjoyable for more than organists.



The Dean's Letter: Thomas Aldridge, Dean

On behalf of the Dayton AGO board, I wish to express congratulations and a big thank you to **Effie Sue Kemerley** for a job well done during her tenure, and I will be leaning on her for a little help as I get started.

The Sub Dean is officially in charge of leading us in planning and organizing our meetings, but everyone on the board helps in a big way, as I have learned when being responsible for that task. **Matt Dierking** is getting things started, and we hope to put together meetings that will be both interesting and entertaining. As **Effie Sue** mentioned in the last newsletter the programs were put on by some of our very talented members. We are well on our way for next year, but if you have any ideas or requests, let Matt know. We'll have more information in the next edition. Last year we had a choral reading session with organists/choir directors bringing some of their favorites. We encourage choral directors who are not organists as well to take part. We may or may not do that this year, but certainly want to do so some time in the future. It was a very nice event and everyone enjoyed being in the "choir."

I was born and raised in Dayton, attending Catholic schools, including my B.S. in Music Education from UD, with a minor in piano performance. I am mostly self-taught on organ with a few "coaching sessions" from some dear friends. I would like to encourage all of our members to attend our meetings. We often provide seminars on practical techniques that you can use. Other programs in the past have been **Pedals Pipes, and Pizza** for grade school students to help develop their interest and we offer organ lessons to selected high school and older students interested in learning church organ music.

Please consider inviting organists you know who are not members (regardless of their level of training) to join our organization, or at least invite them to one of our early meetings. Invite choir directors as well!

I look forward to seeing you at our first meeting and dinner in September, and we'll have more news in upcoming newsletters.

Thomas Aldridge, Dean

Within Our Chapter

- We are saddened by the loss of **Steven Wasson**, son of Barbara. who passed away May 15, 2013. His service was May 25 at Resurrection Lutheran Church, Centerville. Let us please support Barbara during this difficult time.
- Former SONKA (UCC) moderator and lay leader and church organist **Manfred Orlow** died May 19. Despite his illnesses, Manfred remained active in church, ecumenical and community organizations throughout the years.

Please add three new/rejoined members to your roster of organists and others who are a part of the Dayton OH Chapter:

- **Bob Lazenby**, 225 Scioto St, Apt 4, Urbana OH 43078-2183 robertlazenby@yahoo.com He plays at Trinity Lutheran, Springfield.
- **Karen Bocko**, 1208 Linda Lane, Fairborn, OH 45324 karenbocko@aol.com. She plays at St Timothy Lutheran, Huber Heights.
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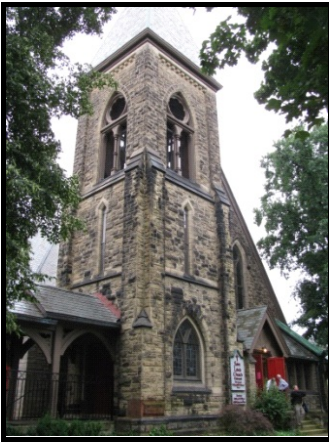


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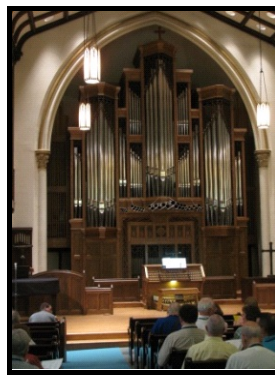
Nine members and friends of the Dayton Chapter of the AGO attended the 2013 Region V Convention in Kalamazoo and Battle Creek, Michigan. The Radisson Plaza Hotel served as home base in Kalamazoo with the concerts and workshops held at the many beautiful churches clustered around Bronson Park.



The convention committee put together a broad array of venues, music and organs ranging from the Kalamazoo Ringers at St Luke's Episcopal (left/center) to the Quimby Young Organist winner recital on the striking First Presbyterian Casavant Freres, 69 Rank organ (right).



The church architectures were beautiful and varied as were the organs which ranged from historic Skinners to the 67 rank, 1998 Orgues Letourneau at the First Baptist Church (Center/Right)



The concerts of the last day were held in Battle Creek – home of the W. K. Kellogg and family foundation. Mr. Kellogg was an advocate of E. M. Skinner's organs and was responsible for many organs heard on the last day including the St Thomas Episcopal 1929 Skinner (center) that is quite similar to the organ in the Dayton Art Institute. The Choral Academy, including our own **John Priebe**, sang under the direction of Joe Miller at St Philip Catholic Church accompanied by a 1930 Skinner.



I may be biased, but my personal favorite convention event was the concert given by our own **Yun Kim** on the 61 rank, 1928 Skinner in the First Presbyterian church, Battle Creek. From the church to console to façade pipes, this was an impressive venue.



But the venue was just the beginning. Yun's program included Vienne, Prokofiev and was topped off with the *Fiesta! Suite* for Organ Solo by Farrington. It's simply amazing how time after time Yun puts together such varied and interesting programs – and then makes virtuosity look easy. We were very happy to get a picture with Yun after her recital.

Back Row: Matt Dierking, Jerry Taylor, Jon Priebe, Jim Owen; Front Row: Lynn Mishler, Yun Kim, Terri Fryman, Jim Fryman.

Great Job! Kudo's to the Southwest Michigan Chapter



Submitted by **Matt Dierking and Lynn Mishler**



New Board Members at May installation: Tom Aldredge, Effie Sue Kemmerly, Jim Owen, Carol Horn, Trudy Faber, Matt Dierking, Priscilla Acuff



Celebration of our Organ Academy Students: Kevin Daniel, Grant Wareham, Wilma Meckstroth, Dean of the Academy, Tanya Nofsinger, Anne Franye, guest harpist.