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## Dean's Note by Matt Dierking

Welcome to the new AGO Year! My first few months as Dean have been busy. The board kicked off many of the elements I introduced in the last Trumpetings. A good group of our members represented the chapter at the Indianapolis Regional Convention. The board, led by Jerry Taylor, developed an outstanding 2015-2016 program. We reviewed and approved a proposal from Chair Rachel Lammi and the academy teachers to update the Organ Academy. We started our chapter outreach with a new Dayton brochure and direct contact plan. Finally, the first steps have been taken on our community project to get the

Dayton Art Institute organ playable again! We're also going to try something new with the programs. Each program will have a small committee to support it, so please pitch in if a program lead calls and asks for your help. We will continue to have a dinner or reception after each program, so make sure you join in the fun!

Thanks to everyone who has renewed their membership either through ONCARD or by sending your forms to Membership Chair, Ellen Bagley. We have quite a few members who have not renewed, so please take the time to sign up. Ellen will be calling everyone to see if they need help with the new system or would rather renew the old way. Feel free to email or call her (937-260-0221) if you have trouble.

One of the ways we plan to make contact with more organists and churches is through our new chapter brochure. The chapter and national AGO brochures will be distributed at our chapter events, member concerts & recitals, and to teachers and schools. If you know someone who should join or know of an event where there may be potential new organists/members, ask a board member for materials to hand out.

**I'm looking forward to a great year, and seeing everyone at this year's programs!**



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If you change your address, telephone number, or e-mail address, please call or email **Ellen Bagley**, Membership Chair, (See phone & email above) to update our directory database and mailing list. Be sure to add your zip + 4 code.



**EXTRA! EXTRA!  
NEW TRUMPETINGS EDITOR  
COMING NEXT ISSUE!**

**Daniel Yoder** will take over Trumpetings. Please send him articles, announcements or anything else you'd like to see in the newsletter. THANKS DANIEL!

If you have an announcement for an upcoming program or event, send it to Matt Dierking at [matt.dierking@agodayton.org](mailto:matt.dierking@agodayton.org) and we will add it to the next Trumpetings, the Dayton Chapter website and Facebook page.

## Dayton Chapter 2015-2016 Programs We have a Great Lineup this Year!

Thanks to Jerry Taylor and the board, this year our programs truly have something for everyone. The programs range from recitals, to a Springfield Organ Crawl, academic lectures on improvisations and the crazy fun of a silent movie night. We hope you can make them all and connect with the other members of the Guild!

**August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 7:00 PM**  
**Grant Wareham Scholarship Recital**  
Christ Episcopal Church, 20 W 1st St. Dayton Ohio

**Sunday, September 13th, 4:00 PM**  
**“How to Develop and Market a Program” by Karen Wareham**  
South Park United Methodist Church, 140 Stonemill Rd, Dayton, Ohio

**Sunday, October 4th, 4:00 PM**  
**Alan Morrison, Recital & Dinner**  
Westminster Presbyterian Church, 125 N Wilkinson St, Dayton, Ohio

**Sunday, October 11th, 4:00 PM**  
**“Dealing with a Large Electronic Organ” by Trent Simms**  
Harmony Creek Community Church, 5280 Bigger Rd, Dayton, Ohio

**Sunday, November 8th, 3:00 PM**  
**Springfield Organ Crawl**  
Led by Trudy Faber & Dr. David Crean  
Covenant Presbyterian, Weaver Chapel & Zion Lutheran Church

**Sunday, January 10th, 4:00 PM**  
**“Baroque Improvisation Lecture and Demonstration” by Dr. Devon Howard**  
St George's Episcopal, 5520 Far Hills Ave, Dayton, Ohio

**Saturday, February 8th, 10:00 AM**  
**“Meet the Church Organ for Pianist and Organ Enthusiasts” by Priscilla Acuff**  
South Park United Methodist Church, 140 Stonemill Rd, Dayton, Ohio

**Sunday, March 13th, 4:00 PM**  
**“Silent Movie Night” hosted by Jonathon Moyer**  
St John's Lutheran, 141 S Ludlow St, Dayton, Ohio

**April Date TBD, 4:00 PM**  
**“Clergy-Organist Communications Workshop & Dinner” by John Webb**  
Westminster Presbyterian Church, 125 N Wilkinson St, Dayton, Ohio

**Sunday, May 1st, 4:00 PM**  
**Academy Recital & Reception, Rachel Lammi**  
Fairmont Presbyterian Church, 3705 Far Hills Ave, Kettering, Ohio

**Our Next Program is Sunday, September 13th, 4:00 PM  
“How to Develop and Market a Program” by Karen Wareham  
Plus Carry-in Dinner and MUSIC SALE!!  
South Park United Methodist Church, 140 Stonemill Rd, Dayton, Ohio**

At our next meeting, Karan Wareham will present her techniques for developing and marketing a program. She will use the Grant Wareham recital as an example, but the techniques should be applicable for any program. We will have a carry-in dinner and music sale as part of the program. We suggest that (if possible) last names A-G bring main courses; H-N desserts; O-Z salads.

**Hope to See You There!**

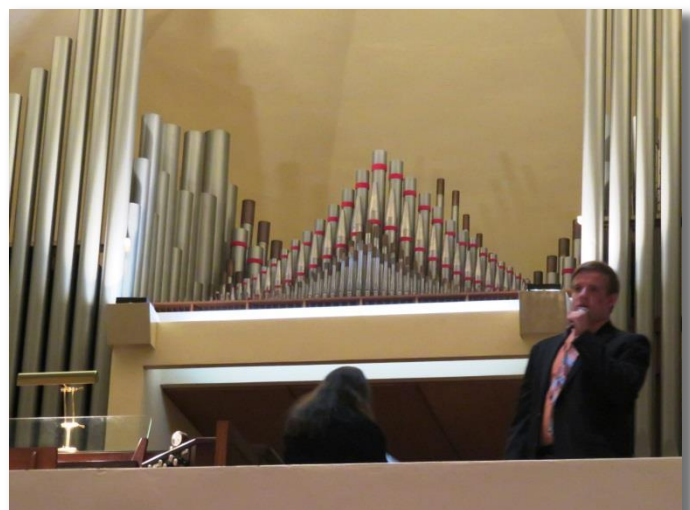
**Grant Wareham AGO Scholarship Recital  
Christ Episcopal Church, 20 West First Street, Dayton Ohio**

Grant Wareham gave an outstanding recital on Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. Grant is an American Guild of Organists Dayton Chapter scholarship winner. The recital was hosted by AGO Members Yun Kim and Jerry Taylor at the Christ Episcopal Church in Dayton. His program featured music by Charles-Marie Widor, J.S. Bach, Zachary Wadsworth and Olivier Messiaen. Grant played to a packed house including AGO members and fans from all over the Miami Valley.



Grant Wareham is an organ performance major at Rice University, studying with Ken Cowan. He is also Organ Scholar and Principal Organist at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Houston. In 2009, Grant was named a Dayton Public Radio (WDPR) Young Talent Search Winner. Grant was recently awarded an Organ Historical Society E. Power Biggs Fellowship and he placed first in the American Guild of Organists/Quimby Grand Rapids Chapter-Level competition.

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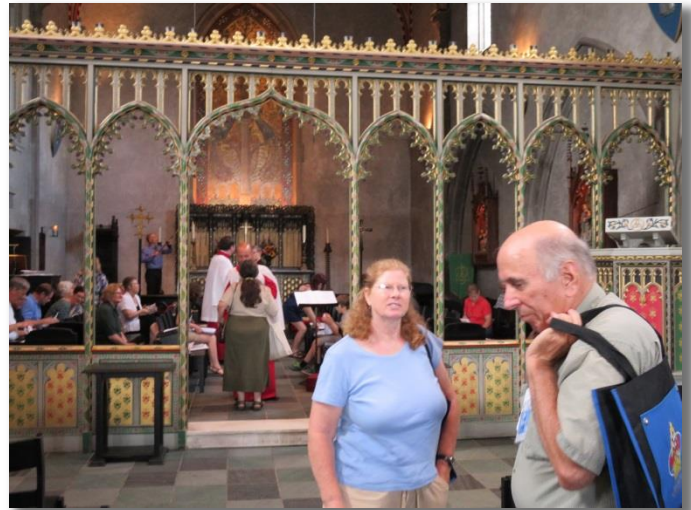
## Joint Meeting with the Cincinnati AGO Emery Carillon Tour and Concert

AGO Dayton Chapter members joined the Cincinnati Chapter for a fun picnic and bell concert at the Mary M. Emery Memorial Carillon in Mariemont, Ohio. Carilloneurs Richard Gegner and Richard Watson gave an hour long concert, multiple tours of the Carillon and demonstrated how to play the instrument. It was a great evening of music and fun with our Cincinnati Chapter Friends. Thanks again to Cincinnati for including us in this wonderful event. And Special thanks to Richards Gegner and Watson for all their talents and efforts!

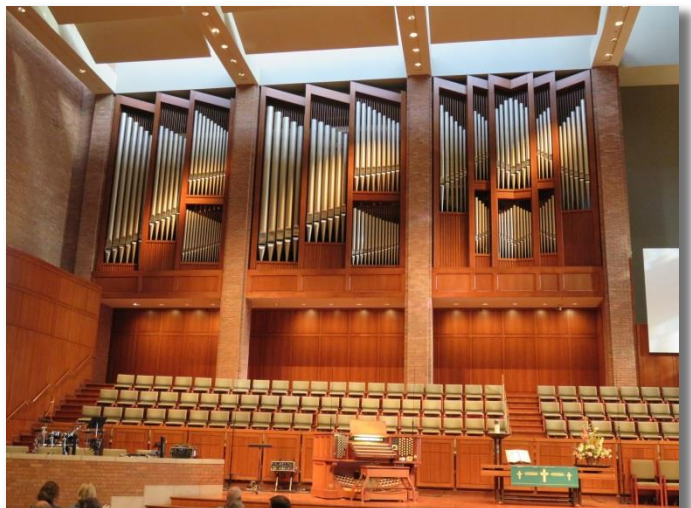




# AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS Regional Convention, Indianapolis, Indiana



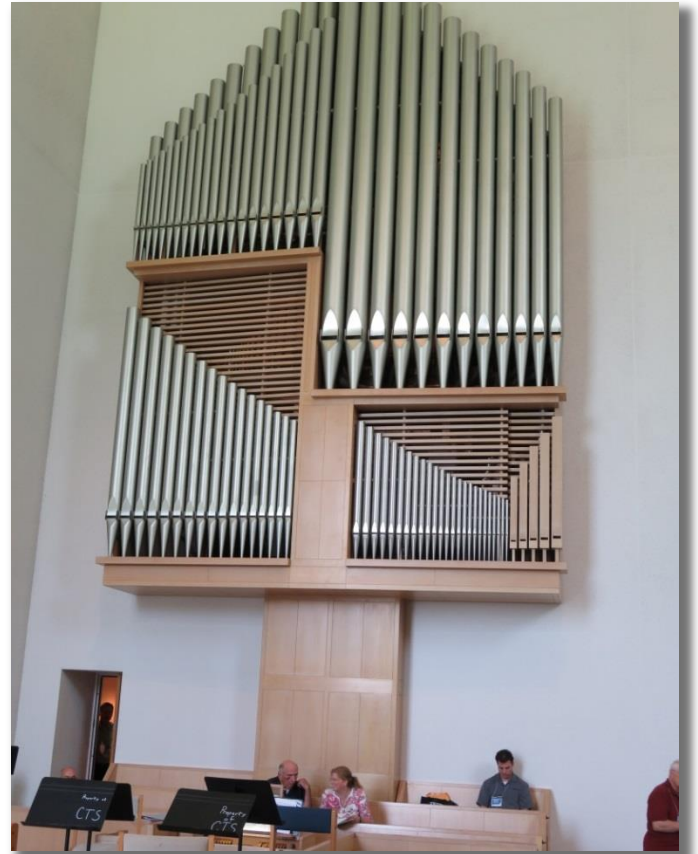
The Choristers of Trinity Episcopal (left & above), and the opening Convocation at St Luke's UMC with organist Marilyn Keiser (below).







Christ Church Cathedral hosted an even song, concerts and master classes. The Hymn Festival at Christian Theological Seminary had Sweeney Chapel ringing with all the convention voices (right).



The David Higgs and James David Christie master classes were simply outstanding! (below) They really focused on the nuances of the music right down to slurs and phrasing - WHAT A DIFFERENCE!!







This was the first time to Indianapolis for many of us. Many of the venues were walking distance from the hotel right across from the capitol (above). A short walk took you to the monument square where you could get a coffee before the day.

The receptions at the hotel each evening were a great place to gather and mingle if you had the energy. On this evening, a student and recitalist teamed up for some incredible, spontaneous show tune renditions.







Indiana Landmarks Center is a refurbished AME church. Edie Johnson was accompanied by Kathryn Schilling on violin and Lori Honer on cello for a wonderful organ plus concert. Touring the architecture and artwork in the renovated center was a treat.



Mark Herman played the theatre organ for a silent movie at the Warren Performing Arts Center. What a fun evening right down to the beautiful organ – it looked like a dragon with teeth under the bench.

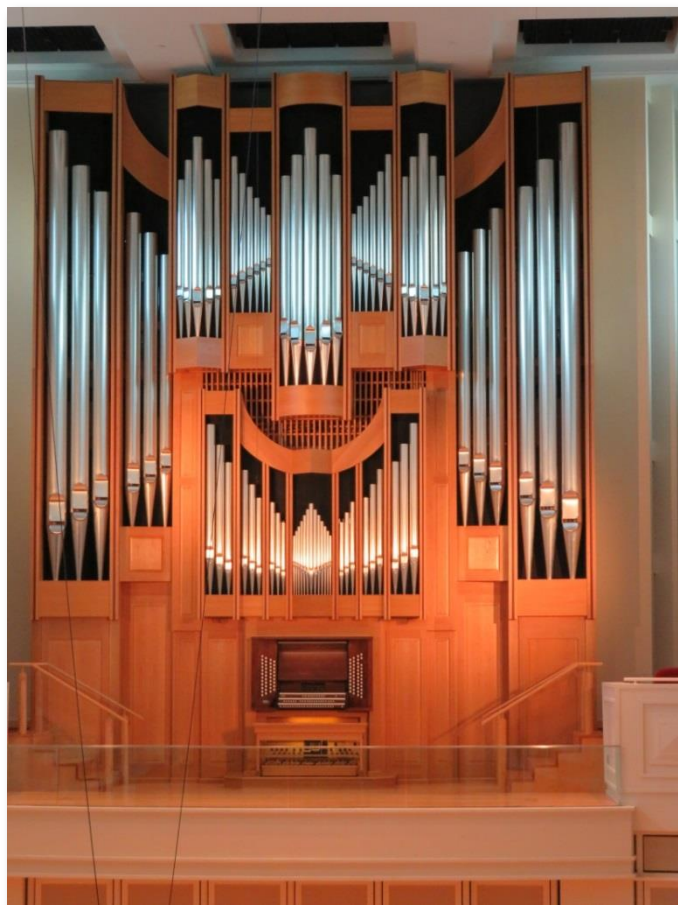




We took a trip to Indiana University for a Ken Cowan recital in Auer Hall (bottom) and a faculty recital and dinner in Alumni Hall. We walked across the beautiful University campus between venues. The architecture and locally quarried limestone construction gave it a castle feel.

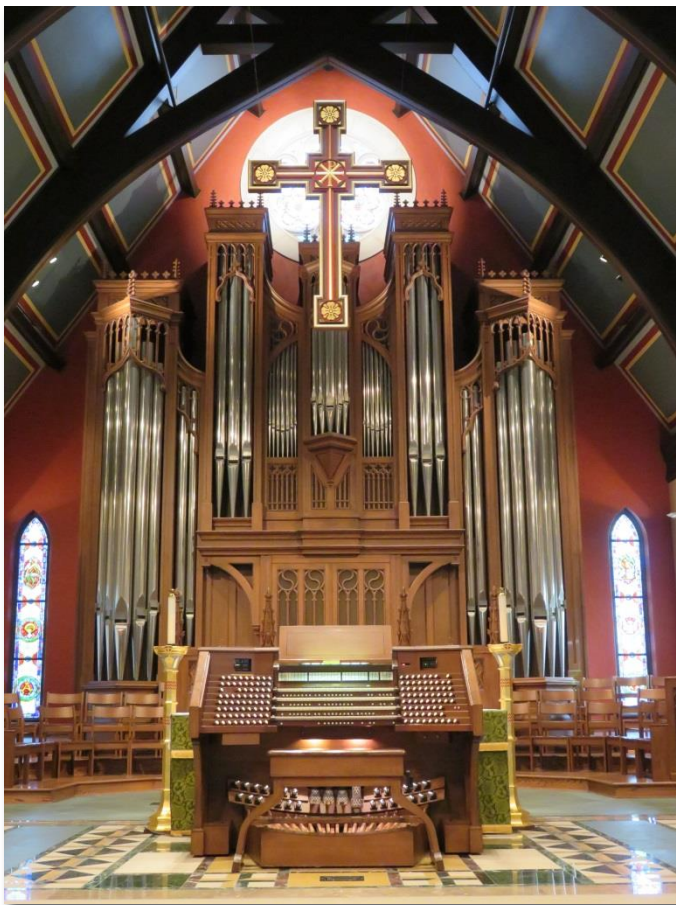


Both organs are relatively new to the university, but the Alumni Hall Organ stole the show – at least for me. This 56 rank French style organ (top) was removed from a private residence for its new home here. I plan to talk to my wife about an upgrade.





David Higgs capped off the convention with the closing concert on the St Paul's Episcopal Church 90 rank, Casavant Freres Opus 3856 organ. The concert included pieces from Dupre, Mendelssohn-Bartholdy and Creston.



The highlight was the Widor Symphonie VI which was simply outstanding on that organ and in that space.



St Paul's held a reception for us after the concert where we got one last chance to mingle with the other chapters and friends.



Grant Wareham took the chance to exchange notes with David Higgs. One of these days, Grant will be a convention headliner.







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