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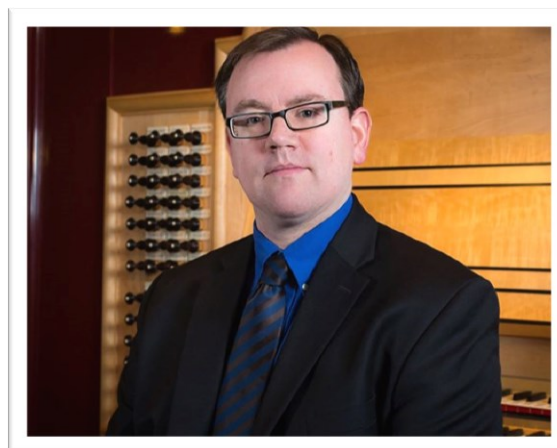
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Our Next Program: Organ Improvisation Workshop Led by Dr. Richard Fitzgerald

Organ Improvisation Workshop
Sunday March 17th, 2019. 3:00 P.M.
St. Charles Borromeo Church
4500 Ackerman Blvd. Kettering OH
Led by Dr. Richard Fitzgerald,
Organist/Director of Music,
St Joseph's Cathedral, Columbus OH

Host: Terry Donat & Christian Cosas

**We will gather for dinner at a
local restaurant after the program**



Bio - Dr. Richard K. Fitzgerald is currently the Director of Music and Organist of Saint Joseph Cathedral in Columbus, Ohio. Prior to this appointment, he served the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC as the Assistant Director of Music (2003-2007) and the Associate Director of Music (2013-2014) where his playing could be heard during internationally televised broadcasts.

On October 1st, 2013 Dr. Fitzgerald won first prize in the 2nd Annual Competition in Organ Improvisation sponsored by the University of Michigan and the Ann Arbor Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. In addition to performing improvisations, Dr. Fitzgerald has taught improvisation at the Peabody Conservatory and has presented master classes on the subject to professional organizations including the Conference of Roman Catholic Cathedral Musicians, the St. Louis Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, and the South Dakota Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Dr. Fitzgerald received the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Organ Performance from the Peabody Conservatory of Music, Baltimore, Maryland where he was awarded a full scholarship as a graduate teaching assistant in the Department of Music Theory. For his doctoral dissertation, Dr. Fitzgerald formulated a method for organ improvisation pedagogy. He earned the Master of Music degree in Organ Performance from the Peabody Conservatory and the Bachelor of Music degree in Sacred Music from Westminster Choir College, Princeton, New Jersey.

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**EXTRA! EXTRA!
COMING NEXT ISSUE!**

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

Also, you are more than welcome to write articles to appear in Trumpetings. Send your articles and pictures to Matt and he'll make sure they get in. The articles can be on a wide variety of topics that would be of interest to the chapter.

A published composer, Dr. Fitzgerald has received commissions and his work has earned him favorable reviews in The Hymn, Choir and Organ, Pastoral Music, and The American Organist. His Mass in Honor of Saint Bernadette, a setting for organ and congregation of the ICEL ©2011 translation of the mass, has been published on the Corpus Christi Watershed website.

An experienced concert organist, Dr. Fitzgerald has made appearances on the nationally syndicated radio program Pipedreams, including a performance of Leo Sowerby's Toccata (program 1446, 'With Praise and Thanksgiving').

Grant Wareham's Concert was a Huge Success!

Grant Wareham gave a fantastic recital at Westminster. It was one of the best attended organ concerts in many years drawing people from all across the Dayton metro area and beyond.

Grant said he designed the concert to have "endings and beginnings" with pieces ranging from Mendelssohn to Reger. The selections clearly demonstrated his virtuosity, growing presence as a performer and the fruits of his studies at Rice and Yale.

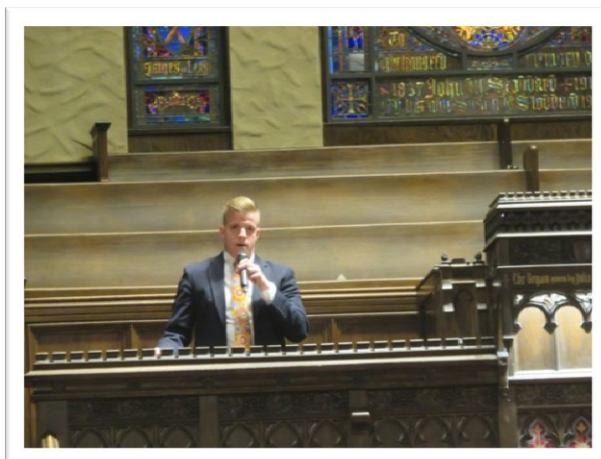
Grant dedicated the recital to the memory of Jerry Taylor – his long time teacher, mentor and friend. **I'm sure Jerry would be very proud!**

It has been so much fun to watch Grant from his very early days to his time as an Organ Academy Student with Jerry to Dayton AGO Scholarship

recipient. It's great to think the chapter was able to contribute to Grant's success, and we'll all be able to say, "I knew him before he was famous!" BRAVO GRANT!!

Some of the Chapter headed off to the Troll Pub for dinner and fun after the program. You can see more pictures on the following page.

Finally, A Huge Thank You to Westminster Presbyterian for Hosting Grant's Concert!





Our Advertiser Makes the Cover By Ellen Bagley

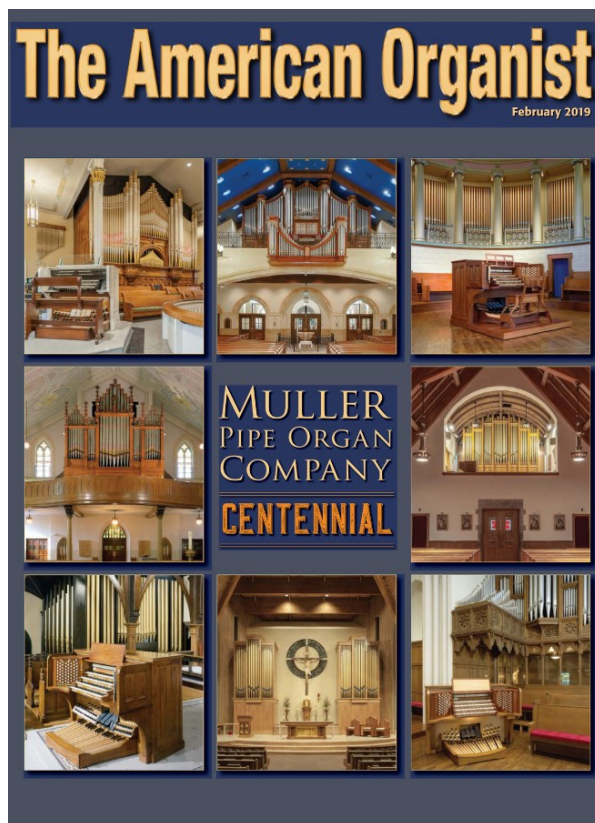
Did you notice? Our national magazine, The American Organist, featured Muller Pipe Organ Company in Croton, Ohio on the February cover! Eight installations are pictured.

The company is celebrating their centennial—congratulations! We are grateful that Jane and John Muller have been our friends and advertisers for many years. They placed an ad in our 18-19 Dayton Chapter directory on the inside back cover.

The cover feature article is on page 47 of the February issue of The American Organist and is worth a read.

A family business that has prospered and grown with added talented staff, the Muller Pipe Organ Company is right in our backyard north of Columbus yet does wide-ranging projects in Michigan, Arkansas, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and of course Ohio.

Best wishes for another 100 years, Jane and John!



HEAR YE! HEAR YE! WE WELCOME A NEW MEMBER

Our Dayton Chapter welcomed new member Joel Hootman in January. He states, “I was a member of the AGO when I was a student at Ashland University many years ago, and have unofficially ‘followed’ the Dayton chapter since living in this area.” He lives in Arcanum with his wife Becky.

Through the years Joel has played at a variety of churches in the Darke and Miami County area. Recently he accepted a position at First Lutheran Church in Troy, Ohio as the Organist and Coordinator of Music Ministries. That position prompted him to become a member of our chapter via the national website. He hopes to rebuild and establish an exciting ministry there!

In addition to his musical ministry north of Dayton, Joel is a full-time English Language Arts teacher in Arcanum. Adding to those responsibilities of teaching and the church position, he is currently the assistant drama director for Arcanum’s middle school and high school. Becky teaches elementary music, and has also been involved at times in his music ministry as a choral director. They are a busy couple!

Please note the following information and add it to your directory:

Joel Hootman

312 South Main Street, Arcanum Ohio 45304. Phone number: 937.467.9427

Email: hootmanmusic3@gmail.com

Welcome, Joel!

CALLING FOR NEW MEMBERS!

By Ellen Bagley

Here is just a quick review of what you may have forgotten about the membership process in our Dayton Chapter AGO.

OPEN ANY TIME: Did you know that the Dayton Chapter is always open for membership? A church musician or interested someone (choral director/choir member, keyboardist/organist or lover of sacred music) can join any month of the year. That means the membership runs from the month of joining to the next year's same month. Does that make sense? We encourage those among the music community with an interest in our chapter to contact us!

TWO LEVELS: We invite membership either at the national level or at the local level. National members receive the magazine *The American Organist* either by email (reducing membership cost slightly) or by snailmail. It's a fine magazine. We call our local members "Chapter Friends;" their reduced membership fee stays within the Dayton Chapter. They do not get the magazine. Both kinds of members get information either by email or snailmail about our meetings and related events usually via the *Trumpetings*, our monthly newsletter.

CONTACT US: Present members who bump into someone who's interested in joining us can help the Membership Chair out by informing the Chair Ellen Bagley baggylady46@gmail.com or anyone of the Officers (Terry Donat, Dean; David Crean, Sub-dean; Priscilla Acuff, Secretary; Decker Jones, Treasurer), or the Board Members (9 presently.) Email is preferred: Ellen can contact them and send a form so they can submit payment and get the newsletter on upcoming programs/events.

WEBSITE INFO: The National AGO website www.agohq.org posts all kinds of information and can process a new or returning membership for either national members or local members. The National AGO membership person sends us a notifying email. Our local website is www.agodayton.org; Matt Dierking is the webmaster.

DIRECTORIES: Our chapter has available a yearly directory listing resources that include members, their church connection if applicable, their contact info, and programs (subject to change.)

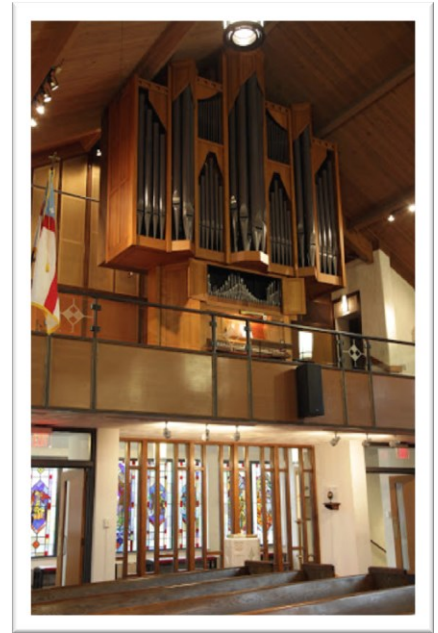
QUESTIONS? Let us know how we can help you. We love to get together at meetings and concerts to learn, listen, snack/eat afterward many times, and help one another out – support through music sharing, advice, and encouragement. Our music library is at Westminster Presbyterian Church and most of the time the music can be checked out when the church is open – check with Terry, dean (our president) for access. terrydonat@gmail.com

Upcoming Area Events

Sunday May 5th, at 3 p.m.

Dr. David Crean Anniversary Concert
at St. George's Episcopal,
5520 Far Hills Avenue, Dayton OH

2019 marks the 30th anniversary of the installation of the C.B. Fisk organ (opus 94) at St. George's Episcopal Church in Dayton. To mark the occasion, current music director Dr. David Crean will offer a recital on Sunday May 5 at 3pm. The program will include works by Bach, Bohm, Hindemith, Haydn, Sweelinck, Grigny, Mendelssohn, and Gigout. No tickets are required.



2nd and 4th Thursday Afternoon Organ
Music on the Dayton Art Institute's 1929
Skinner Organ, 1:00-2:00 pm

The 1929 Skinner organ has been repaired and is ready to go. Matt Dierking is coordinating volunteer organists to play informal programs on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. These are very informal where museum patrons come in and out and are encouraged to talk to the organists. Matt has been playing regularly. Terry Fryman, Carolyn Ripp and Mary Ellen Clinard have also played. If you would like to play, contact Matt Dierking: matt.dierking@agodayton.org or cell: 937-505-7290.



Sunday, March 10, 4:00 p.m., Lenten Choral Vespers — Requiem by John Rutter

The Westminster Choir with organ – Handbell music by the Westminster Ringers.
Freewill offering - Westminster Presbyterian Church, 125 N. Wilkinson Street, Dayton, OH

Sunday, March 31, 4:00 p.m. – St. Matthew Passion – J. S. Bach

The Bach Society of Dayton with University of Dayton Chorale at the Kettering Adventist Church –
For ticket information visit bachsocietyofdayton.org.

OUR Last 2019 Program Dayton Organ Academy Student Recital & Installation of AGO Officers

Sunday April 28th, 2019. 4:00 P.M.

Dayton Organ Academy Student Recital & Installation of AGO Officers

Location: North Riverdale Lutheran Church
45 Kurtz Ave. Dayton, OH 45405

Host: Rachel Lammi
A Reception will follow the program

Visit the Dayton AGO Music Library

The Dayton Chapter has a growing music “library” that is currently housed at the Westminster Presbyterian Church. The library is primarily composed of organ literature, but has piano works, choral music and method books as well. The music is arranged by composer for much of the work but also has groups organized by holiday, collections, anthology, wedding music, sheet music and lots of monthly’s like the Organ Portfolio.

The library is open to everyone. Just stop in and peruse the music. Take what you would like to use and leave a donation. We highly encourage teachers (and students) to use the library. There is a lot of the standard literature for study spanning all levels of difficulty.

To access the library, visit Westminster on a weekday. Enter through the Office door on the east side of the church and let the administrator know you would like to go up and review music in the AGO library. It is on the 3rd Floor in room 301.



Need a Sub?

Need a sub? You can find people willing to substitute in the directory, but here are some Chapter Members that are looking for sub work. If you would like your name published on this list, send an Email to Matt Dierking (matt.dierking@agodayton.org). Please indicate if you would like your name and contact information listed in the Trumpetings, on the Chapter website or both. Here are members willing to sub:

Dr. Sharon H. Vander Gheynst: 5.holweger@earthlink.net, 937-938-7013 (home)

Noah Carpenter: carpenter.160@wright.edu , 330-663-6067 (New Chapter Member)

I have been playing the organ for about 6 years now. I have played weddings and funerals along with Catholic Masses and Vigils along with many other Protestant Worship services in almost every denomination. I am currently a freshman at Wright State University and would love to get more experience around this area! I look forward to meeting many more of you!!

Alan Gagnon alan@alangagnon.com, 603-660-8408

I am a 2012 University of Kansas Organ Performance graduate, I have been subbing for 12 years now for over 30 churches and in every denomination. I can play both organ and piano and have experience working with brass ensembles and choirs. I've also held lengthy positions as an interim or actual organist for Presbyterian, Congregational, Lutheran, and Catholic churches. I work full-time M-F for a non-music job, but I am available for Sunday mornings and any weddings and funerals that I can fit into my schedule in the Cincinnati/Dayton/Springfield areas.

Paul Rosenberger rosenbpi@mail.uc.edu, (937) 207-2846, Springfield, OH

I am a Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music student available to substitute as a church organist or pianist for jobs including worship service, Mass, funerals and weddings. I can sing and cantor solo or with a choir (which I can conduct). While I specialize in Catholic Church services, I can play music for other denominations. I am willing to travel in the greater Cincinnati/Dayton/Springfield area.



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