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NEW YEAR'S TIPS FROM THE DEAN

I hate that little notification that comes up on my phone on a weekly basis. I should really get rid of it, but I am always curious about my own bad habits so I can't help but take a look at the data it reports....you know what I'm talking about....it's the one that tells you how many hours/minutes that you spent on your phone that week. I give myself a little self-righteous pat on the back when I've used less than the week before, but then I realize it was probably because I forgot to charge it, or left it overnight at church or something. When the usage is more than the week before I chalk it up to taking care of emails or texts to get my work done. Certainly not on Facebook, Snapchat, or Tik-tok!!! Or maybe I won't admit to myself the amount of wasted time I really do spend looking at news stories and blurbs about the rich and famous....

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NEW YEAR'S TIPS . .

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So here's a way to spend some "guilt-free" time perusing some media on your phone - go on over to the newly designed National AGO website (www.agohq.org) and discover all the great info that's there for you as a member of the AGO! You'll find a list of discounts for AGO members, webinars on everything from Tips and Tricks for Part-time Organists to Improvisation Workshops, to tutorials on the more current Tech for organists and musicians. PLUS, there's a list of schools that offer degree programs in organ and their audition dates, and guidelines for employment and job-related issues. As a Young Organist, there are a multitude of videos on organ basics, pedaling, repertoire, and more!

While you're getting a little screen-time, go on over to our chapter website (www.daytonago.org). Did you know you can add yourself to the Sub-List simply by logging in and scrolling down under your name until you find "edit personal information", you can add your name to the list and specify what denominations you feel most comfortable substituting for. A great way to play lots of different organs, make a little extra money, and see what is going on in other churches.

What a wealth of information right at our fingertips. Feel good about those "extra hours" you were on your phone! You'll be a better informed organist because of it!

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PEDALS, PIPES AND PIZZA CHANGES!

Huge changes are in store for this historically successful event. In the past, ALL facets of organizing were accomplished by Priscilla Acuff and her husband, Dan. And the chapter is extremely grateful to the Acuff's for their years of tireless effort!

Beginning this year, Priscilla will remain on the bench demonstrating the organ and guiding those student who wish to play the instrument. But all other duties will be the responsibility of chapter volunteers.

There are a variety of opportunities for anyone wishing to participate. But at the least, each and every chapter member should be prepared to publicize this event to any and all people or organizations within their musical community.

Please watch for details as the Board will be meeting very soon to work out all details which will be shared via email, FB and website.

And if you just can't wait to volunteer, email [Karen Bocko](#) to reserve the volunteer spot(s) of your choice!

Pedals, Pipes and Pizza

Saturday, February 15, 2025
Doors open at 9:30AM
Program begins at 10AM

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
4865 Wilmington Pike
Dayton, OH 45440



NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Publication occurs around the 1st of each month. Information on upcoming concerts, programs, and articles on organ and choral related topics are welcome.

Please submit these to our temporary editor, Karen Bocko, by the 22nd of the month prior to desired publication.

Please send raw, unformatted text, and jpeg pictures.

JOB OPENINGS

Complete details of current openings can be found at the chapter website.

2025 DAYTON CHAPTER AGO EVENTS

May 2025

Date, time and location TBD

Annual Potluck and Year-end Review

June 1, 2025 - 4:00 PM

Organ Academy Concert

Seventh Day Adventist Church

3939 Stonebridge Rd

Dayton, OH 45419

2025 OTHER EVENTS

January 19, 2025 - 4:00 PM

Lima Symphony Orchestra - Organ by Candlelight

St. Augustine Catholic Church

48 N. Hanover St, Minster OH

Tickets Required

For more info visit

www.limasymphony.com/organbycandlelight



Here's to the year that has gone
With its share of joy and sadness
And here's to the year to come
May it have a full measure of gladness



DAI CONCERTS

1st & 3rd Sundays at 2pm

Want to play a DAI concert?

All Dayton AGO Chapter members are encouraged to take turns presenting these concerts. Contact Matt Dierking if you wish to perform one of these 1 hour programs.

Begun in 2010 by Matt Dierking, these concerts serve to generate interest and educate museum patrons on the pipe organ by playing a wide variety of music and showing off the many varied dimensions of the DAI Skinner Organ.

