

Newsletter for the Evansville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
March 2014



February and March have been busy months for our chapter!



**Pedals, Pipes and
Pizza 2014**



**Improvisation
Workshop by Dr.
John Schwandt**



Bach-a-thon 2014

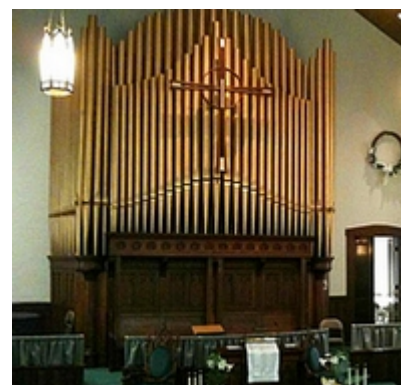
Performers: Robert Nicholls,
Helen Skuggedal Reed,
Garnet Ungar, Matthew
Vanover, Henry Maurer, Sara
Graham, Isaiah Seibert,
Rachel Bennett,
Mark X. Hatfield

Upcoming AGO Programs:

Historic Organ Concert: Sunday April 6, 2014

Location: First Presbyterian in Mount Vernon, IN, 4:00 pm (CDT).

We will help celebrate the 100th anniversary of the installation of the pipe organ by the M.P. Möller Organ Company of Hagerstown, MD, Opus 1883. Performers include our chapter members Carolyn Adams, Neal Biggers, Dennis Carr, Kevin Ellerbusch, Sean Holleran and Helen Skuggedal Reed. There will be a reception after the program provided by members of the church.



Before his death in 1919, Andrew Carnegie demonstrated his love for music by constructing New York's Carnegie Hall and donating more than 7,000 organs to churches around the nation. One hundred years ago, in 1914, First Presbyterian Church of Mt. Vernon was the recipient of one of those pipe organs. Come enjoy and celebrate part of this musical legacy in southwestern Indiana with members of the Mt. Vernon community and the Evansville AGO.

Monday Evening May 5, 2014. Dinner/Installation of Officers

Location: St. Lucas UCC, Evansville. Dinner will be prepared by members of St. Lucas and dinner reservations should be made with Shelley Heil at smheil76@yahoo.com or 812-598-6203.

5:30 p.m. (CDT) Social gathering

6:00 p.m. Dinner

6:45 p.m. Business Meeting

7:15 p.m. Installation Service

Slate of Officers for 2014-2015: Dean Helen Skuggedal Reed, Sub-Dean Henry Maurer, Secretary Rachel Bennett, Treasurer Carol Grimm, Chaplain Daniel Wilkinson, Historian Matthew Vanover, At-Large Shelley Heil (1 year left), Tamara Gieselman (2 years left) and Sean Holleran (3 years).

Thank you to our Nominating Committee, Kristin Jones and Betty Altheide.

AGO MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS GO ONLINE

Beginning this April, AGO membership renewals, new memberships and payment of dues will all take place online through the national AGO website. For people for whom online transactions are not a possibility, the old way of mailing in membership forms and payment will still work. More info soon.

NATIONAL AGO CONVENTION: AGO Boston: June 23-27, 2014

The four and a half day convention offers fifty concerts by thirty-seven performers, featuring internationally acclaimed musicians, eight finely crafted worship services in a wide variety of styles; ninety workshops and master classes on a vast array of topics; and much, much more. Go to www.agohq.org for more information.



Evansville AGO charter member Lucille Werzner, 92, passed away March 4. Her musical talent was demonstrated at the early age of 15 when she began playing for services at St. Matthews Evangelical and Reformed Church (which later became St. Matthews United Church of Christ) in Evansville. She served as the Organist and Choir Director at St. Matthews for 50 years in total. While in Indianapolis, she was the Organist and Choir Director at Carrollton Avenue Church. She also worked as a staff organist for Alexander Funeral Homes here in Evansville.

Related Community Events:

Noon Prayer @ Neu: Meditation With Music

NOON PRAYER @ NEU services include musicians Rachel Bennett and Henry Maurer on March 20 and Douglas Reed on April 17. The services begin with the ringing of the Peace Bell at 12:10 p.m. in Neu Chapel on the University of Evansville campus. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

To Hear the Music: The Story of Charles Brenton Fisk and the C.B. Fisk Organ Company

Come and learn how a brilliant 18-year-old nuclear physics student who worked on the Manhattan Project and helped build the detonator of the world's first atomic bomb ultimately focused his attention on pipe organ building and making music and what this has to do with the University of Evansville and the historic Tinker Memorial Organ. March 30 at 4pm, Harkness Hall, Room 162 in Schroeder School of Business Building, University of Evansville. For more information, contact Douglas Reed, at dr5@evansville.edu, 812-488-2877

First United Methodist Church, Henderson: Spring Concert, with Helen S. Reed, Carol Dallinger, Daniel Craig and the FUMC Cantata Choir and Orchestra, directed by Matthew Vanover. March 30 at 4pm.

Milton Z. Tinker Memorial Concert, Sunday, April 6, 2014, 6pm, Neu Chapel. Performing: Bend in the River Brass Band, Signature Singers, Joshua Academy Choir and the Neu Chapel Jazz Ensemble. Admission free.