



# American Guild of Organists Evansville Chapter

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January, 2010

## Members' Recital at Central Presbyterian Church in Owensboro 1.24.10

Dear Evansville District Chapter of the American Guild of Organists,

I am delighted to be writing to you this month just days away from our next event. Continuing our journey around the area served by the Evansville chapter of the AGO, we head next to Owensboro, KY and Central Presbyterian Church to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of their historic Pilcher organ. Come and enjoy a wide variety of music played by chapter members Christian Seitz, Kristin Jones, Neal Biggers, Robert Nicholls, Helen Reed and Matthew Vanover at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, January 24, 2010.

In other news, Pedals, Pipes and Pizza will be held at First Presbyterian Church in downtown Evansville on Saturday, February 13 from 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 for children ages 10-

18. Look for a brochure to come your way soon and encourage any piano students you might know to attend.

Dr. Douglas Reed, Professor of Music and University Organist at the University of Evansville has announced his retirement after thirty-five years teaching. Dr. Reed's final faculty recital before retirement will be Tuesday, March 16, 2010 in the Wheeler Concert Hall on the UE campus at 7:30 p.m.

We wish two of our chapter members well following moves away from the area. Tricia Clark is now in Bangor, Maine. Jeanne Roser has moved to North Carolina. Best wishes to them both.

At the direction of the Executive Committee, memorial donations have been made from the General Account to the Dufford

Scholarship Fund in memory Pat McCormick and Jane Friz who died in 2009.

Please let our webmaster, Neal Biggers, know if you are having trouble with any pages on our website, [evansvilleago.org](http://evansvilleago.org). In particular, the program page. Also, check out our excellent website to catch up on the latest information about the AGO chapter, positions available, calendar, and to access other useful links.

It's a good time to register for the AGO National Convention in Washington DC July 4-8. I'll see you there as I have been selected as a semi-finalist in the National Competition in Organ Improvisation. I'm looking forward to representing our chapter on the national stage.

Soli Deo Gloria!

Robert Nicholls, Dean

## Chant Camp with Susan Hellauer of Anonymous 4

A camp featuring the nuts and bolts of singing Gregorian Chant will be held on Saturday, March 6, 2010 at the Monastery of the Immaculate Conception in Ferdinand, IN from 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Chant Camp is led by Susan Hellauer, a member of Anonymous 4 who is a splendid instructor and a leading re-

searcher in early music.

Chant Camp is for you if you

- \* love plainchant, and want to sing it;
- \* are curious about the history, forms and uses of chant;
- \* want to understand plainchant better in order to lead or form a chant choir;
- \* sing early polyphony regularly and need to understand its

context better;

- \* want to explore the ensemble-building power of unison singing.

Registration Fee is \$60 for adults and \$50 for Senior Citizens (60+) and students. Contact Dana Taylor at [dwt@insightbb.com](mailto:dwt@insightbb.com) or 812-833-5932 for information and to pre-register.



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## **AT-LARGE MEMBERS (Elected to 3-year terms)**

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## **Programs for 2010**

### **January 24, 2010, 2:30 p.m**

Celebration of the 100th anniversary of the historic Pilcher organ at Central Presbyterian Church, Owensboro, KY. A concert of music provided by members of our chapter. See page 1 for more details

### **February 13, 2010**

#### *Pedals, Pipes and Pizza*

9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church  
Evansville.

For pianists ages 10-18

For more information, contact Robert Nicholls, Dean

### **Tuesday 16 March 2010**

7:30 p.m. Faculty Recital by Dr. Douglas Reed.  
Wheeler Concert Hall,  
University of Evansville.

### **April 2010**

Special event to be announced

### **May 3, 2010**

Annual Meeting and Service of Installation of Officers at 5:30 p.m. Mark your calendars for this important meeting at the close of the season.

Other upcoming events of interest

Check with the Arts Council of South West Indiana for details about many programs. Contact:

[recep@evansville.net](mailto:recep@evansville.net) to be on the Arts E-News mailing list. The Evansville Chapter of the AGO is a member of the local arts council and our events are posted in the Arts e News.

Our neighboring chapters, including the Southern Indiana Chapter have a number of events this season that you might enjoy.

[www.siago.org](http://www.siago.org)

[www.agolouisville.org](http://www.agolouisville.org)

[www.nashvilleago.org](http://www.nashvilleago.org)

### **Evansville Chapter Executive Committee News**

Please consider serving as Secretary. Your chapter needs you! Contact Robert Nicholls, Dean, or another member of the Executive Committee to volunteer.

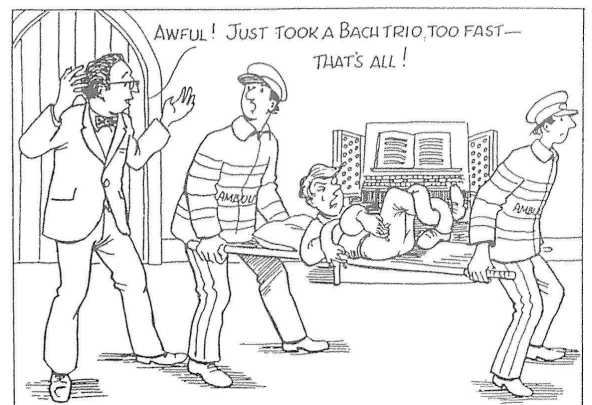
The Executive Committee meets (normally) on the First Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. at East Side Christian Church located at Weinbach and Bayard Park. All are welcome.

To submit an article for inclusion in the Evansville AGO newsletter, contact Robert Nicholls, Dean.

## THE ORGAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2010 NATIONAL CONVENTION *Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania*



MONDAY, JUNE 21 THROUGH FRIDAY, JUNE 25  
Optional additional day - Saturday, June 26



**To view Evansville and Tri-state area church music positions available visit the AGO website: <http://www.evansvilleago.org/>**