

Pedals, Pipes and Tacos

The Evansville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists held a Pedals, Pipes and Tacos, primarily for adults, on Friday March 15th at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Evansville, followed by dinner at Hacienda across the street. Around sixteen chapter members, guests and visitors had an opportunity to enjoy hearing and playing the historic organ at St. Anthony's and review some of the basics of pipe organ design and playing.

Large Turnout for Pedals, Pipes and Pizza



The Evansville and the University of Evansville chapters co-sponsored a very successful Pedals, Pipes and Pizza on March 9th. Twenty-three children took turns trying out the Holtkamp, Fisk, Noack and Schreiner organs on the University of Evansville campus. Members of the chapters who helped organize and lead the event were Carolyn and Larry Adams, Betty Altheide, Rachel Bennett, Neal Biggers, Tammy Gieselman, Carol Grimm, Alex Henderson, Henry Maurer, Douglas Reed, Helen Skuggedal Reed and Barbara Waite.





Evansville AGO Awards for Young Organists -By Helen Skuggedal Reed, Competition Coordinator

The Evansville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists held a competition for young organists on Saturday, April 6, 2013, at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Rachel Bennett, daughter of Bob and Carolyn Bennett of Evansville, won first prize in the RCYO/Quimby Chapter Competition for Young Organists. Rachel is a senior at the University of Southern Indiana, and serves as organist at Old North United Methodist Church. She studies organ privately

with Dr. Douglas Reed at the University of Evansville. She received a cash award from the Dufford Scholarship Fund, which honors the memory of the late Mamie E. Dufford, who founded the Evansville Chapter in 1961 and was an active member for many years. As the competition winner, Rachel will advance to the final round of the RCYO/Quimby Competition on June 29, 2013, in Kalamazoo, MI, where she will compete with other chapter winners from Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, and Illinois.

The runner-up was Robert Elliott Stubbs, Jr. Stubbs is a native of Gaithersburg, MD, and is a graduate student at the Jacobs School of Music of Indiana University, Bloomington. He studies with Dr. Janette Fishell, and previously earned a bachelor's degree in organ performance at Westminster Choir College as a student of Alan Morrison.

Judges for the competition were Robert Bozeman, Canon Musician at Christ Church Cathedral, Louisville, KY; Dr. Michael Messina, Organist/Choirmaster at Trinity Episcopal Church, Indianapolis; and our dean Neal Biggers, filling in for a third designated judge who was sick that day.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS:

Saturday April 20, 2013: Our chapter is sponsoring a Bach-a-thon fundraiser at Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Evansville. We still need a few more players. See the tentative schedule below and email Neal at <u>nealbiggers@yahoo.com</u> to sign up for time on the schedule. If you aren't playing but would like to help greet attendees or collect donations, contact Carolyn Adams at <u>Leadams 1@juno.com</u>.

Monday May 6, 2013: We will have our annual dinner, chapter meeting and installation service at First United Methodist Church in Henderson. Social time 5:30; Dinner 6pm; meeting 6:45; Service 7:15. Contact Matthew for dinner reservations (\$15 per person): <u>matthew.vanover@gmail.com</u> or 270-724-9442.

Slate of Officers for 2013-2014

Thank you to our nominationg committee, Margaret Kimberling and Kristin Jones, for compiling our slate of officers for our next season. The committee's nominees are:

Dean – Neal Biggers, CAGO Sub Dean – Helen Skuggedal Reed, AAGO Secretary – Matthew Vanover Treasurer – Carol Grimm Historian – Carolyn Adams Membership Coordinator – Barb Waite Chaplain – Dan Wilkinson At Large – Betty Altheide, SPC (1 year to go) Shelley Heil (2 years to go) Tammy Gieselman (3 years to go)

New Grant for Bolcom Project

Our Bolcom Project coordinator, Robert Nicholls, is pleased to report that our chapter has received a grant in the amount of \$2,000 from the DC AGO Foundation. This foundation invests in the future of the organ and its artists. It was created following the 1982 AGO National Convention in Washington, DC.

From Our Mailbox:

Neu Chapel Organ @ Noon – University of Evansville Neu Chapel: Music for the Easter Season, April 18, 2013 at 12:10 p.m.

Tinker Memorial Concert: The University of Evansville AGO and the Neu Chapel Society will sponsor the Tinker Memorial Concert on April 12, 2013, at 7:00 pm in Neu Chapel on the University of Evansville campus. In addition to UE organ students and Kantorei, the Signature School Orchestra, the North High School Choir, and the Joshua Academy Choir will perform.

Chanticleer...Live in Concert: Saturday, April 13, 2013, 7:30 pm, Victory Theatre, Evansville, Indiana. This is part of the celebration of the centennial of St. Benedict Cathedral in Evansville. Tickets are available at <u>http://www.ticketmaster.com/event/05004A3DF9E5B669</u> or at the Ford Center Box Office.

Region V Convention of the American Guild of Organists will be held in Kalamazoo and Battle Creek, Michigan, June 30 - July 3, 2013. See this website for more information: <u>www.agokalamazoo.org</u>.

Bach-a-Thon

Presented by the Evansville Chapter

of the American Guild of Organists

Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Evansville IN



April 20, 1013, 9 am to 5 pm

	Schedule (as of April 8th)
Time	Performer(s)
9:00 am	
9:15 am	
9:30 am	
9:45 am	
10:00 am	Daniel Wilkerson, Organ
10:15 am	
10:30 am	Henry Maurer, Organ
10:45 am	Douglas Reed, Organ
11:00 am	Rachel Bennett, Horn
11:15 am	Rachel Bennett, Organ
11:30 am	Douglas Reed, Organ
11:45 am	Douglas Reed, Organ
12:00 noon	
12:15 pm	
12:30 pm	
12:45 pm	
1:00 pm	
1:15 pm	Jonathan Hauke, Organ, Piano
1:30 pm	Neal Biggers, Organ
1:45 pm	Neal Biggers, Organ
2:00 pm	Robert Nicholls, Organ, Voice
2:15 pm	Robert Nicholls, Organ, Voice
2:30 pm	Robert Nicholls, Organ, Voice
2:45 pm	Helen Skuggedal Reed, Organ
3:00 pm	Helen Skuggedal Reed, Organ
3:15 pm	Helen Skuggedal Reed, Organ
3:30 pm	Matthew Vanover, Organ, Choir
3:45 pm	Matthew Vanover, Organ, Choir
4:00 pm	Matthew Vanover, Organ, Choir
4:15 pm	Mark X. Hatfield, Organ
4:30 pm	Mark X. Hatfield, Organ
4:45 pm	Mark X. Hatfield, Organ

Please contact Neal Biggers at <u>nealbiggers@yahoo.com</u> to add your name to the schedule.