



Mixtures

The Dean's Message



Kyla K. Rosenberger
BM, MM, CAGO

Hello FWAGO Members,

I wish you a successful and blessed Advent and Christmas season. May your personal and professional wishes for meaningful December experiences all come true!

To cap the winter holiday and liturgical season please consider attending the *Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival* at University Christian Church on **January 2nd or 3rd**. We have included the *Boar's Head Festival* in your FWAGO 2015-16 chapter events because of several ways it appeals to church musicians.

The congregation of UCC is putting on this English Epiphany festival for the 40th year on **January 2nd and 3rd!** The hour-long event is all music with minimal speaking. A jester silently leads the modern audience through a fantastic spectacle of Renaissance costume and ancient carols accompanied by orchestra, choir, organ, and handbells. The music is unique to the University Christian pageant and has all been arranged and composed by the nationally known Austin composer, Randol Alan Bass. This year Mr. Bass will conduct all four performances which feature his updated orchestration and four new organ solos.

If you have never been to this Fort Worth community festival come and start a new tradition of celebrating the Magi's trip to find the Christ Child. If you have not attended in several years consider bringing your church choir and/or handbell directors to hear the new orchestration. Even your

clergy would find it a blessing to celebrate the Christmas season without having to be in charge. Performances occur at **3:00pm** and **5:00pm** on both **January 2nd** and **3rd**. There are hundreds of free seats (it's best to arrive an hour early) or reserved seating at \$15 each (which go on sale on **November 30th**). Visit www.universitychristian.org for details and online reservations or call for tickets at 817.926.6631, ext. 141.

Of course, since University Christian is where I lead the music program, don't hesitate to contact me at kyla@uccftw.com with any questions. I will be most honored to have the members of our chapter attend the 40th annual *Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival* for their January program.

Merry Christmas from,

Kyla K. Rosenberger, CAGO

2015/2016 AGO GET ACQUAINTED EVENTS

What we do at “Get Acquainted” sessions?

We get to know each other better, that’s the best part.

We meet the host who presents the church’s organ, its history and something about their job; we’ve heard some amazing stories in the past.

We get introduced to an organ that maybe you’ve never played before, and a church you may have never been in. We hear new and old music played by our colleagues who are just as familiar/unfamiliar with the organ as we are. There is no obligation to perform, just come and enjoy listening to music for God’s glory.

Getting together is fun and we leave happy!

The format is this: meet, hear the organ, take turns, go have lunch.

If you are new to AGO, or if you haven’t visited with your fellow AGO members in a while, pick a date and join us. It’s a great way to make new friends or renew old connections.

Here is the schedule for the next meeting:

Wednesday, December 2, 2015

Trinity Lutheran Church

3621 Tulsa Way, Fort Worth, TX 76107

11 am – meet together, meet Dr. Laurence Furr, our host. Meet the tracker, a two manual Sipe restored by Dan Garland. The instrument is really nice and suitable for early music. It is a “Lutheran” organ; no romantic slush, just right for hymns, chorale preludes, preludes and fugues.

Please bring some music (4 or 5 minutes) to play, if you haven’t played on a tracker, this will be a fun experience.

Afterwards Dutch lunch in Cultural District

Church is behind McDonalds’s on **Camp Bowie** and **Montgomery**, parking is on the south side of church.

-Submitted by Jeanette Keim

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The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to enrich lives through organ and choral music. To achieve this, we:

Encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music;

Inspire, educate, and offer certification for organists and choral conductors;

Provide networking, fellowship, and mutual support;

Nurture future generations of organists;

Promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles; and engage wider audiences with organ and choral music.



COMMUNITY MUSIC EVENTS

FALL 2015

Events planned, organized, performed or sponsored by our Chapter members. Open to public and free unless otherwise noted. **PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR EVENT INFORMATION TO OUR COMMUNICATIONS CHAIRMAN, Kurt Hilsabeck, at kshilsabeck@yahoo.com by 20th day of the month to ensure the event appears in this publication.**

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December 6, 2015, Sunday, 9:00am & 11:00am

University Christian Church

2720 S. University Dr.

Fort Worth, TX 76109

Rutter's *Joy to the World* Christmas Cantata

University Christian Church invites you to experience the joy of the Advent/Christmas season Sunday morning, December 6th in worship, with the presentation during worship services of Rutter's Christmas Cantata, Joy to the World, which will be presented in both morning worship services. The cantata will be presented by the Chancel Choir & String Ensemble Directed by Eric Mullins, Assistant Choirmaster.

December 6, 2015, Sunday, 4:00pm

First United Methodist Church

505 W. Marvin

Waxahachie, TX 75165

10 Year Anniversary Organ Concert - Dr. Joyce Jones

Dr. Joyce Jones will present a benefit concert featuring Christmas and Patriotic music (in remembrance of Pearl Harbor Day). Come here Dr. Jones perform on the 2005 Wicks, 44 rank, 3 manual organ. For more information, contact Derrada Asbell, music director at (972) 937-4400.

Admission is free and open to the public

December 6, 2015, Sunday, 7:00pm

Broadway Baptist Church

305 W. Broadway Ave.

Fort Worth, TX 76104

Messiah Sing

You will have many opportunities to hear George Frideric Handel's immortal Messiah this Advent season, but The Broadway Series offers you the opportunity to join with choir and orchestra in this annual Christmas Messiah Sing. Bring your own score, or utilize one of the church's scores available in the narthex. Don't miss this exciting and unique evening. Ft. Worth AGO Chapter member Janet Pummill will be part of the orchestra as the guest organist.

Admission is free and open to the public

December 13, 2015, Sunday, 5:00 PM

Second Church of Christ, Scientist

2112 Forest Park Blvd,

Fort Worth, TX 76110

LESSONS and CAROLS

Organist: Chapter member, Ruth Thompson, CAGO

Hear the Christmas story

Join in singing carols

Hear musical solos

Enjoy refreshments after program.

All are welcome – bring family and friends

COMMUNITY MUSIC EVENTS (cont'd)

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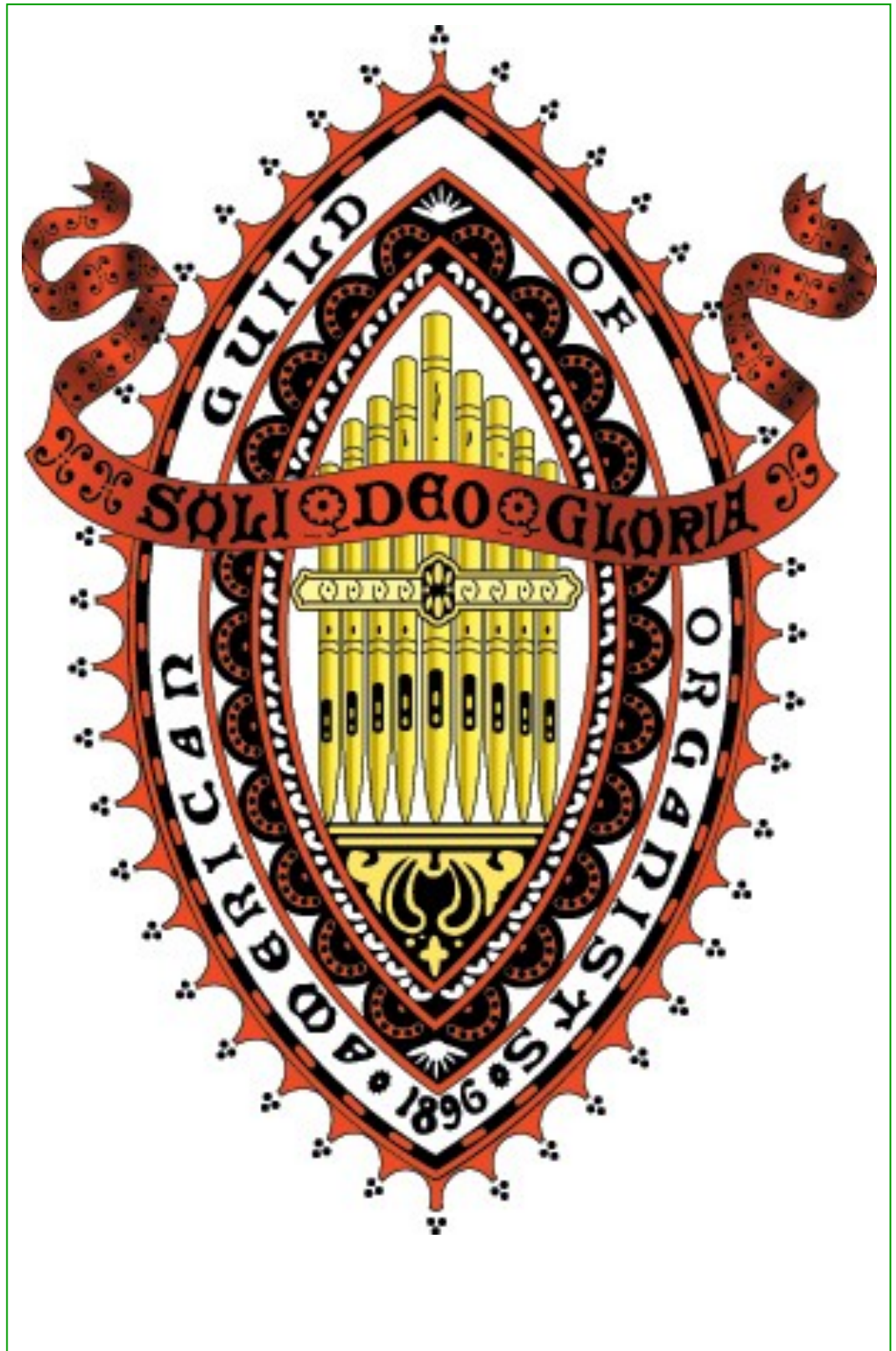
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EVENT SCHEDULE

FY16 (Jul 1, 2015 – Jun 30, 2016)

This is the general plan of events for the year. Consult the chapter's *eNEWSfanfare* email bulletins and *Mixtures* newsletter for finalize event dates, times, venues, and other details not known at the time this Yearbook was published.

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED GATHERINGS

Four sessions will be scheduled. Purpose is to get acquainted with an organ you have not played, get acquainted with a new organ score and get acquainted with a member you have not yet met. Events are often scheduled in the morning; afterwards the group meets for a "Dutch treat" lunch. Jeanette Keim, Chair of the Courtesy & Hospitality Subcommittee is the contact for these gatherings.

CERTIFICATION WORKSHOPS

A series of workshops presented by the chapter's Certification Exam Coordinator, Peggy Graff, on Saturdays during the fall designed to help candidates prepare for Guild certification examinations the next spring.

OTHER EVENTS

January 2 & 3, 2016, 3 p.m. & 5 p.m.

University Christian Church, Fort Worth

BOAR'S HEAD & YULE LOG FESTIVAL (40th annual production)

Group tickets will be arranged for the membership.

February 13, 2016, 10 a.m. – 12 noon

Southern Methodist University, Dallas

MASTERCLASS ON GERMAN ROMANTIC REPERTOIRE

Presented by **Stefan Engels**, Professor of Organ, SMU

Chapter members are invited and encouraged to prepare a composition to perform for this masterclass. Please contact Sub-dean Robert August if you would like to actively participate in this event.

April 24, 2016, 7 p.m.

Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth

Organ Recital by Monica Czausz

Monica won the 2015 Regional Competition for Young Organists of the Southwest AGO Region.

May 21, 2016, 10 a.m. – 12 noon

Ridglea Presbyterian Church, Fort Worth

Masterclass on Improvisation & Registration by Dr. John Schwandt

June 17, 2016, 7 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church, Fort Worth

ORGAN & BRASS CONCERT

Chris Trikilis, Organist (our Australian chapter member)

***For streaming organ music online, visit:

The Organ Experience:

For immediate release

There is yet another way to experience great organ music online. The Organ Media Foundation has rolled out its third Internet streaming audio station, The Organ Experience. This station broadcasts classical organ music 24 hours a day via its website at www.organexperience.com. A built-in web player automatically handles connecting listeners to the stream, and complete information about each work being played is displayed on the site.

This station is automated, and generates its own creative playlists. The music is grouped into 30-minute, 1 hour, or 2 hour blocks. The music of each block is chosen based on a specific theme. To give you an idea, a few randomly chosen themes one might hear are:

- German Music on French Organs
- Music from Canada
- Baroque Music
- American Music on Aeolian-Skinner Organs
- Organs by Casavant
- French Music on North American Organs
- Music of Dieterich Buxtehude
- Romantic French Music on Cavallé-Coll organs

Recordings from the Pro Organo Label

Some themes are broad, others very specific, there are currently more than 80 different themes up for selection. The information about each block of music can be found on the website, as well as a listing of upcoming blocks.

For each work, the listener is presented with the work title, the composer and dates with a link to the composer's biography, the performer with a link to his or her biography, the length of the work, the organ being played and a link to its specification, the album title and artwork, label and catalog, and links to purchase the album online either as a CD or as MP3 if available. In addition, there are frequently links to purchase the sheet music of the work, and often a link to a free PDF score if the work is public domain.

All of the music heard is from the ever growing broadcast library of the Organ Media Foundation, which currently holds just shy of 20,000 tracks from more than 1500 albums. The Organ Media Foundation is a listener-support non-profit 501(c)3 organization. All of its broadcasts are free to hear, and are commercial-free.

This newest station joins the Organ Media Foundation's other two outlets, Organlive.com and PositivelyBaroque.com. All of these stations have their own web players, but are also available on internet radio devices, AppleTV, Roku, Iphone, Ipad, and Android devices. For more information about the Foundation and it's projects, visit organmedia.org, and to tune in to The Organ Experience, visit organexperience.org.

Our Generous Chapter Concert Fund Donors, Thank you!

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2015 Fall Music Highlights

Kyla K. Rosenberger, *Director of Music & Senior Organist*
Collin Boothby, *Organ Scholar* • Dan Garland organ

Sunday, November 1 - All Saints Memorial Worship at 9 & 11 a.m.
Requiem by Gabriel Fauré presented by the Chancel Choir & Chamber Orchestra
Directed by Dr. Christopher Aspaas, TCU Director of Choral Activities

Thursday, November 12 - Silent Movie Night at 7 p.m.
Girl Shy starring Harold Lloyd with Tom Helms, organist, of Pensacola, FL
popcorn and ice cream social at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 6 - Christmas Cantata at 9 & 11 a.m.
Joy to the World by John Rutter, presented by the Chancel Choir & String Ensemble
Directed by Eric Mullins, Assistant Choirmaster

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Charlene Polivka Dorsey

Need a day off?

Fort Worth AGO Chapter APPROVED SUBSTITUTES ROSTER

(As of July 19, 2015)

EMPLOYERS: To get help in finding a substitute, contact **Dale Bench, CAGO, Communications Chairman**, at: **DalePipeOrgan@sbcglobal.net**. He can send a solicitation to the entire roster and speed up the process of acquiring a substitute. Dr. Linton Powell is chairman of the Chapter's Placement and Substitutes Committee; if you have a question about the roster, you may contact him at **LintonPowell@TX.RR.com**.

The Placement and Substitutes Committee maintains this roster of qualified substitutes. The roster is published in the monthly Chapter newsletter, *Mixtures*, and is posted on the Chapter website, www.FortWorthAGO.org.

Substitutes on this roster have met the following requirements: must be a member in good standing of the Fort Worth Chapter and either have a degree relating to organ and/or piano and/or conducting, a Guild certification (SPC, CAGO, CHM, AAGO, or FAGO), or passed an audition before the Placement & Substitutes Committee.

LEGEND: Each name on the alphabetized list is followed by **qualifications** shown in parentheses (type of organ related degree, American Guild of Organists certification, or audition), and type of substitute position desired: **organist, choir director, and keyboard** (acoustic piano, electronic keyboard, harpsichord and organ manuals only). Those with an American Guild of Organists certification (SPC, CAGO, CHM, AAGO, FAGO following their name indicates the person has passed a rigorous performance examination juried by a panel of expert organists). Telephone codes: (C) cell, (H) home, (W) work. Email address (blank if none). **The roster is in two parts:**

PART 1: Substitutes available Sundays and other days of the week

PART 2: Substitutes not available Sunday mornings

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Elizabeth Kutz (BA, MM, SPC, CAGO) – organist and/or choir director
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Aaron Walton (SPC) – organist
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+ + + **IN MEMORIAM** + + +

Don Dorsey– husband of long-time chapter member Charlene Dorsey passed away on November 5th, 2015. A memorial service was held at St. Alban’s Anglican Church in Arlington, TX on November 16th, 2015 at 11:00am.

*****NEW MEMBERS*****

Let us all welcome **Sarah Becker** to the Fort Worth AGO. Be sure to introduce yourself when you see her at an AGO event!

Competition for High School Organists

Dear AGO Member and/or Organ Teacher:

I am happy to announce the **2016 High School Organ Festival & Competition** co-hosted by the Winston-Salem AGO Chapter, UNC School of the Arts, and Salem College, on January 29-31, 2016. The competition is open to all high school seniors or younger who are studying in the U.S. and have not won First Prize.

The audition requirements and schedule information can be found here:
<http://www.timothyolsenorganist.com/hs-competition.html>

A CD Recording, application, and letters of recommendation are due by **Friday, December 18, 2015** as noted on the website and registration form.

I would greatly appreciate you forwarding this to any teacher or high school organ student that might be interested.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,
Timothy Olsen

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Member and Chapter Happenings



***The University of North Texas organ studio performed the complete *Vierne 24 Pièces de fantaisie* in two recitals on Thursday, October 8th and Friday, October 9th. The recital was held at Christ the King Catholic Church and featured the monumental French-style organ built by Juget-Sinclair of Montreal. *(Above) Pictured left to right:* Andrew Kenney, Alex Gilson, Sunny Yu, Hentus van Rooyen, Dr. Jesse Eschbach, Gregory Santa-Croce, Joy Hague, David Summers, Ken Adams. Not pictured: Gary Gordon, Louie Kim, Andrew Seagrest, and Phillip Appedu.



*****Aaron Walton** (*pictured above*) presented a graduate organ recital on November 17th, 2015 at 5:30pm at First Presbyterian Church in downtown Fort Worth. Aaron is pursuing the Masters of Sacred Music degree studying under Dr. Yoon Mi Lim.



Audience members at our Tom Helms Silent Movie event



Audience members at our Tom Helms Silent Movie event



Dennis and Kurt in proper attire for the Silent Movie event



Membership Categories and Rates:

All rates are set by our national headquarters except Chapter Friend category which is set by the Chapter.
(Every membership category goes up by \$3, with \$2 credited to the chapter.)

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Please e-mail your submissions to Kurt Hilsabeck, our Communications Chair, at kshilsabeck@yahoo.com, or to our *Mixtures* Editor, Josh Lang, at Joshua.lang@mavs.uta.edu. Be sure to include all pertinent information. Pictures and e-mail links are highly desirable. It is most helpful if you will include the address of upcoming events as well as any pertinent contact information. Your editor will be most grateful since these must be researched if not included!

**Submission deadline is by the 25th of December
to be in the January issue.**

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