

# The Cipher

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE

FORT WAYNE CHAPTER,

AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

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## NOTE: Deadline for the August Cipher is July 25

Submit information to David Hendricksen  
at revoxfan55@gmail.com

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### From the Dean

We're in the midst of summer, but organ activities in the Fort Wayne Chapter aren't slowing down!

Many thanks to chapter members, Noah Vancina, Michael Hollman, Geoffrey North, Michael Dulac, and Ryan Kennedy for their 30 minute recitals during Germanfest week, June 6-10 and to Rosalie Bowker for coordinating.

Our Scholarship Committee recently met and heard three outstanding players who each received \$500 awards through the Irene Ator Scholarship Fund. More information is included in this issue.

“Follow the Pipes” is next up, July 12-14 during the Fort Wayne Three Rivers Festival with visits to hear the instruments at Zion Lutheran Church, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Trinity Episcopal Church, Trinity English Lutheran Church, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and the Embassy Theatre.

The 2022-2023 season is announced further along in this issue with what looks to be an exciting and interesting line-up for all. Many thanks to Matt Johnston, Nicole Busarow, and Parker Maas for serving as our planning committee for 2022-2023.

We are still awaiting final word on approval for the 2025 regional convention to be held in Fort Wayne.

We should hopefully have the green light by mid-July, with more information to follow in the next issue of *The Cipher*.

Thank you all for your support of the Fort Wayne AGO chapter and may you have a restful summer!

Blessings!  
Tim Robison

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### Follow the Pipes – 2022

Follow the Pipes is a series of “organ crawls” featuring various venues and organists of the Fort Wayne area. The host organist may explain the workings of a pipe organ, discuss stop and registration choices, relay the history of that particular instrument, and play a mini recital. Each day will include two or three stops. Participants are welcome to join at any location.

This entire event is in partnership with the Fort Wayne Three Rivers Festival and is sponsored by the Fort Wayne Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and by The History Center. Thanks to Rosalie Bowker of the AGO for coordinating this series.

#### Tuesday, July 12

- 10:00 AM - Zion Lutheran Church, 2313 S. Hanna Street, Michael Hollman, Organist
- 11:00 AM - St. Peter's Catholic Church, 518 E. DeWald Street, Allen Goebbert, Organist

#### Wednesday, July 13

- 1:00 PM - Trinity English Lutheran Church, 450 W. Washington Blvd., Evan Anderson, Organist

- 2:00 PM - Trinity Episcopal Church, 611 W. Berry Street, Wayne Peterson, Organist
- 3:00 PM - Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 917 W. Jefferson Blvd., Ryan Kennedy, Organist

Thursday, July 14

- 7:00 PM - Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 1105 S. Calhoun Street, Michael Dulac, Organist
- 8:00 PM - The Embassy Theatre, 125 W. Jefferson Blvd., Cletus Goens, Organist

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**2022-2023 Chapter Events**

At the June 23 meeting of the Board, the Program Committee presented its report, which was approved by the Board. Thanks are due to committee members Matt Johnston, Nicole Busarow, and Parker Maas. Preliminary information appears below. Some dates, times, and venues will be announced in the future. Please mark your calendars!

Saturday, September 24 – First Presbyterian Church

- 9:30 AM Coffee, juice, donuts
- 10:00 AM Workshop by Todd Wilson: *Creative use of Your Hymn-Playing Spice Rack*
- 11:30 AM Optional Lunch out

Saturday, October 22 – Zion Lutheran Church

- 9:30 AM Coffee, juice, donuts
- 10:00 AM Workshop by Stephen Price: Topic TBA
- 11:30 AM Optional Lunch out

November – Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Date/time to be determined  
Presentation by Ryan Kennedy on French Classic Organ Masses

December 2, 9, & 16 Friday noontime Advent Organ Recitals

Friday, January 6 – Home of Tim Robison  
Epiphany Party (postponed from last year)

Tuesday, February 7 – Mt Calvary Lutheran Church  
Music for Organ and Handbells, Matt Johnston, presenter. Time to be announced.

Saturday, March 18 – Hillsdale, Michigan  
Tour to see the new Fritts instruments at Hillsdale College, Christ Chapel. Derek Stauff, Professor of

Organ, presenter. 8:30 AM departure from Fort Wayne; 3:00 PM arrive back in Fort Wayne.

April (date/time TBA) – Embassy Theatre and another venue: Orgelkids / Orgelkit

May (date/time/venue TBA)  
Members and Ator Scholarship holders recital  
Installation of Chapter officers

June – Germanfest Organ Recitals

July – Three Rivers Festival: Follow the Pipes

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**Irene S. Ator/AGO Music Scholarship Results**

On Saturday, June 4, the Scholarship Awards Panel met to audition applicants for the Irene S. Ator Music/AGO Scholarship. Serving as adjudicators were Richard McKee, Tamra Schaaf, and David Hendricksen. The following young musicians were selected to receive scholarships:

- Corbet Elkins, a Carroll High School graduate, studies organ with Wayne Peterson.
- Aidan Kroeker, a home-schooled high school graduate, studies piano with Dave Latchaw.
- Elias Kroeker, a home-schooled 8<sup>th</sup> grader, studies piano with Stephen Cresse.

The Irene S. Ator Music/AGO Scholarship Committee and the local chapter of the AGO thank First Presbyterian Church for providing a site for the scholarship auditions this year. We also thank Brent Neuenschwander for graciously giving our organ applicant a brief introduction to the sanctuary organ and a practice session during the week before the audition. Thanks also to Fran Page, Scholarship Committee Chair, for her work in organizing the process.

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**Black and White Silent Film Series**  
Accompanied by the  
**Grande Page Pipe Organ**

Join the Embassy Theatre as it celebrates the 100th anniversary of great silent films plus a special screening of The Iron Horse. Attendees will be

transported back to the earliest days of Hollywood when silent films filled the screen as the melodious tunes of the pipe organ filled the theater.

Remaining events in the series are::

- Sunday, July 10, 3:00 PM – *Oliver Twist* featuring Lon Chaney; Clark Wilson, organist
- Sunday, July 24, 3:00 PM – *The Iron Horse* featuring George O’Brien; Dennis James, organist

The Grande Page, installed in 1928, is one of only three organs of its kind. Its enticing tones bring silent film to life by emulating multiple instruments and other recognizable sounds like sirens, train whistles and chirping birds.

TICKETS are FREE for ages 12 and under, 65 and over, and members of the Embassy. All other tickets are \$10 (plus applicable fees) and can be purchased at ticketmaster.com. To avoid convenience fees or to obtain free tickets, please visit the STAR Bank box office at the Embassy (260.424.5665) at 125 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne. The box office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Visit [www.fwembassytheatre.org/organ-and-film-series/](http://www.fwembassytheatre.org/organ-and-film-series/) for more information.

The Embassy Theatre Foundation thanks Thomas and Penelope Mathiesen for sponsoring this program. Activities at the Embassy are made possible in part by Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne and the Indiana Arts Commission, which receives support from the State of Indiana and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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## July & August Choral and Organ Events

Please send information about August and September events by July 25 to David Hendricksen at [revofan55@gmail.com](mailto:revofan55@gmail.com) for the August issue of *The Cipher*.

Sunday, July 3, 2:00 PM Matt Dierking, organ recital, E. M. Skinner organ at Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, OH

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Sunday, July 17, 2:00 PM Matt Dierking, organ recital, E. M. Skinner organ at Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, OH

Sunday, July 24, 3:00 PM *The Iron Horse* – silent film with organ accompaniment by Dennis James. Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne

Monday, August 1, 11:00 AM Stephen Schnurr, organ recital, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH

Monday, August 1, 8:00 PM David Baskeyfield, organ recital, Pontifical College Josephinum, Columbus, OH

Thursday, August 4, 8:00 PM, Katelyn Emerson, organ recital, St. Joseph Catholic Cathedral, Columbus, OH

Sunday, August 7, 2:00 PM Matt Dierking, organ recital, E. M. Skinner organ at Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, OH

Sunday, August 21, 2:00 PM Matt Dierking, organ recital, E. M. Skinner organ at Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, OH

## Positions Available

Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 5310 Old Mill Rd. Fort Wayne. Pianist needed for 10:30 AM Sunday service and one weeknight choir rehearsal. Contact: Rev. Misty-Dawn Shelly, or Kirsten Eckert-Smith, 260-744-1867 or [uufortwayne@frontier.com](mailto:uufortwayne@frontier.com)

St. John Bosco Catholic Church, 220 N. Main Street, Churubusco, IN. Pianist needed for weekend Masses. Contact: Father Drew Curry, 260-693-9578 or [frandrewcurry@yahoo.com](mailto:frandrewcurry@yahoo.com)

Grace Episcopal Church, Defiance Ohio. Small congregation needs a pianist to play for 10:00AM service. Compensation based on ability and skill. Contact: Fr. John Hagan, 304-545-1734 or [frjohnhagan@aol.com](mailto:frjohnhagan@aol.com)

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### From our Webmaster:

COLLEAGUES! We want to use our FWAGO website to list Northeast Indiana music events. If you are planning a concert series, a single concert, a hymn festival or other related event, we will be glad to list it on the website. Please email the information as a file attachment to: [giglerm@aol.com](mailto:giglerm@aol.com). The file needs to be in pdf or jpg format and give complete information about the event – dates, times, locations – even a poster.

Many thanks, Martin Gigler, webmaster

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### Listing of used organ music cheap!

George Butterfield, of Organ Stop, Inc. in El Cajon, CA publishes a periodic list of used organ music for sale at very reasonable prices. The current list is a pdf document of 61 pages (!). The items are graded A, B, or C for condition, and priced accordingly.

If interested in receiving a list, contact Butterfield by email at [organstopsales@aol.com](mailto:organstopsales@aol.com)

Here are the section headings of the current list, to give an idea of the scope of the material for sale:

- Organ: single composer solos and collections
- Bach organ: single titles
- Bach organ collections

- Bach organ works by edition
- Organ collections by title
- Organ: manuals only
- Duets for two organs
- Sacred duets for organ & piano
- Advent & Christmas Organ
- Lent & Easter Organ (solo and with instruments)
- Organ with instruments and Hymn Concertatos
- Organ methods
- Organ wedding music
- Organ funeral/memorial service
- Organ free accompaniments & harmonizations
- Books on Music
- Organ subscription magazines
- Choral scores – oratorios, cantatas, etc.
- Choral collections
- Children's Choral music
- Christmas vocal sheet music (piano)
- Vocal solos & Collections
- Sacred Vocal Descants
- Sacred Piano solos
- Classical piano solos, duets, collections

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### Fort Wayne Chapter Leadership

Elected positions:

Dean	Tim Robison (2023)
Sub-Dean	Matt Johnston
Secretary	Richard McKee (2023)
Treasurer	Kathy Miller (2023)
At-Large:	Irene Ator (2025)
	Greg Childs (2024)
	Michael Dulac (2025)
	David Hendricksen (2024)
	Wayne Peterson (2025)
	Tamara Schaaf (2026)

Non-elected positions, appointed by the Board:

Chaplain:	Rev. Anne Epling
Webmasters:	Martin Gigler & Tim Robison
Scholarship Committee Chair:	Fran Page
Germanfest, Follow the Pipes:	Rosalie Bowker
Certification Chair	Wayne Peterson
Program Committee Chair	Matt Johnston
Newsletter Editor:	David Hendricksen