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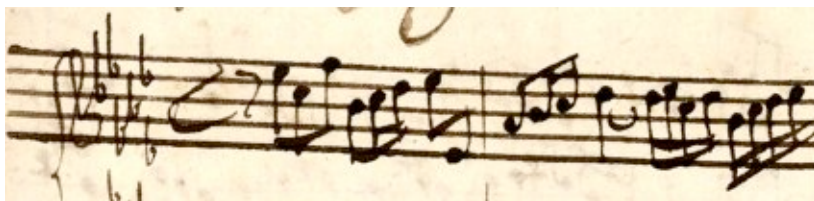
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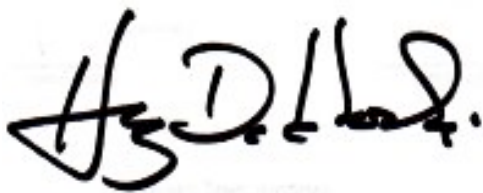
Dale Sorenson, curator of the Spreckel's organ and builder at L. W. Blackinton & Associates Pipe Organ Builders of El Cajon, demonstrates one pipe from House of Prayer Lutheran's 1989 two-manual and pedal Schlicker organ.

A Note from the Dean



Dear AGO Palomar Chapter Members,

I invite you to attend and perform at our annual Members' Recital on Sunday, May 5 at 4:00 pm. We'll be performing on the two-manual and pedal Casavant Frères organ at SonRise Church, 463 South Stage Coach Lane, Fallbrook, 92028. Contact Michael Munson (michael_m@hotmail.com) if you'd like to perform. All are welcome.



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March AGO Palomar Chapter Meeting



Henry begins his one-hour lecture/slideshow about the historic organs he visited and played in Germany.

March 10, 2019 (4 pm), House of Prayer Lutheran Church, 795 N Rose Street, Escondido: Our chapter dean, Henry Doktorski, presented a lecture/slide show about his summer 2018 trip to Germany and tour of historic organs from the 17th, 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries in Berlin, Leipzig, Dresden, Wittenberg, and other towns and villages in Saxony. During his presentation, he played a compact disc recording made on the 1668 Reicher organ at the Marktkirche in Halle (reportedly played on by both J. S. Bach and G. F. Handel), which is tuned in meantone temperament.

A 5 pm catered dinner of lasagna, salad, rolls and dessert from Costco was served, and at 6 pm, Dale Sorenson, curator of the Spreckel's organ and builder at L. W. Blackinton & Associates Pipe Organ Builders of El Cajon, gave a demonstration on and tour of the church's 1989 two-manual and pedal Schlicker organ.

Special thanks to Carol Graham who purchased the food for dinner, and Carol Gross (House of Prayer Lutheran Music Director) and Tom and Kitty Wiebe (House of Prayer choir members) for cooking, dishing out the food and cleaning up the kitchen. Thanks also to Gretchen Pili and Chuck Aden (House of Prayer choir members) for assisting. Photos by D. L. Shearer.



Lasagna dinner at House of Prayer Lutheran Church. About 12 AGO members and 21 HOP members attended.



We could all tell that Dale loves pipe organs. His enthusiasm is contagious.



Dale happens to be the curator for the House of Prayer Schlicker organ.
I think one of the reasons why this instrument sounds so good, is because Dale takes such good care of it.



To feature the four different ranks of pipes (and chimes and zimbelstern), Dale played (1) J. S. Bach: *Prelude on "In dulci jubilo,"* featuring chimes and zimbelstern; (2) Michael Burkhardt's *"This Joyful Eastertide" (VREUCHTEN)*, featuring contrasting totally stopped and partially open flute ranks against the strings with zimbelstern coming in and out; and (3) Michael Burkhardt's *"The God of Abraham Praise" (YIGDAL/Ton-y-botel)*, demonstrating trumpet solos and the full organ ensemble.



House of Prayer Pastor Rev. Daren Erisman steadies the ladder as the curious and adventurous ascended into the bowls of the organ.

Readers' Letters

"Interesting. Surprising. Informative. These were some of my thoughts as I attended the 'Organ Crawl' last Sunday, March 10th. Led by Henry Doktorski as he guided us through some of Germany's distinctive organs, we entered not only the sacred space and sound of beautiful instruments, but into the fascinating world of organists. I concluded that these gifted musicians must perceive the world around them like an infinite series of stops to be tried, connected, and remembered. After a delicious dinner, we were attentive to the words and playing of Dale Sorensen as he helped us make sense of the sounds and possibilities of what we were hearing. He then physically led us into the crawl space between the pipes to complete our organ crawl. You have my appreciation. Well done."— Rev. Daren Erisman, Ph.D., House of Prayer Lutheran Church, Escondido

"Regarding our March Chapter Meeting with Henry showing slides from his German organ tour and Dale Sorenson's demonstration and organ crawl of the House of Prayer Schlicker organ: Music, travel to Europe, entertaining narrative and FOOD. It doesn't get much better!"—Carol Graham, Palomar Chapter Secretary

"The organ crawl by Dale Sorenson was something new for me and I enjoyed it. Climbing up and viewing the pipes was a highlight. You don't get to do that, ever? Listening to all the things our organ can do was great. I've been listening to our organists for over 20 years and really learned a lot. Thanks Henry! Thanks Dale!"—Dolores Madsen, Member, House of Prayer Lutheran Church

Mom & I really enjoyed Henry's fun & informational lecture/slideshow on Germany and the historic 17th-century organs. What a great vacation! Thanks for sharing it with us."—Karen Hughes, Member, House of Prayer Lutheran Church

"Thank you, Henry, for your presentation at the 'Organ Crawl.' I learned several things about how the really old organs were flush with the wall requiring a difficult physical position to play the pedals, what 'meantone' meant, and other interesting information. The Lasagna dinner with salad and deserts was wonderful and plenty of food. Thanks to all who got the food, heated it up/mixed it/ made it, served it. Thank you to Dale Sorenson. I learned that each stop really has one volume, that the organist can change the volume by adding or deleting stops, and/or opening and closing the louvers. It was quite interesting to see the inside of the pipe chamber. Overall it was a great evening. Thank You."—Chuck Aden, Member, House of Prayer Lutheran Church

"Henry did a good job explaining his trip and the organs he was able to see. I'd never been a 'fan' of the organ, preferring the piano, but have a much better appreciation of the pipe organ now. Give him, and Dale Sorenson, my thanks and kudos for the presentation."—Ed Watson, Member, House of Prayer Lutheran Church

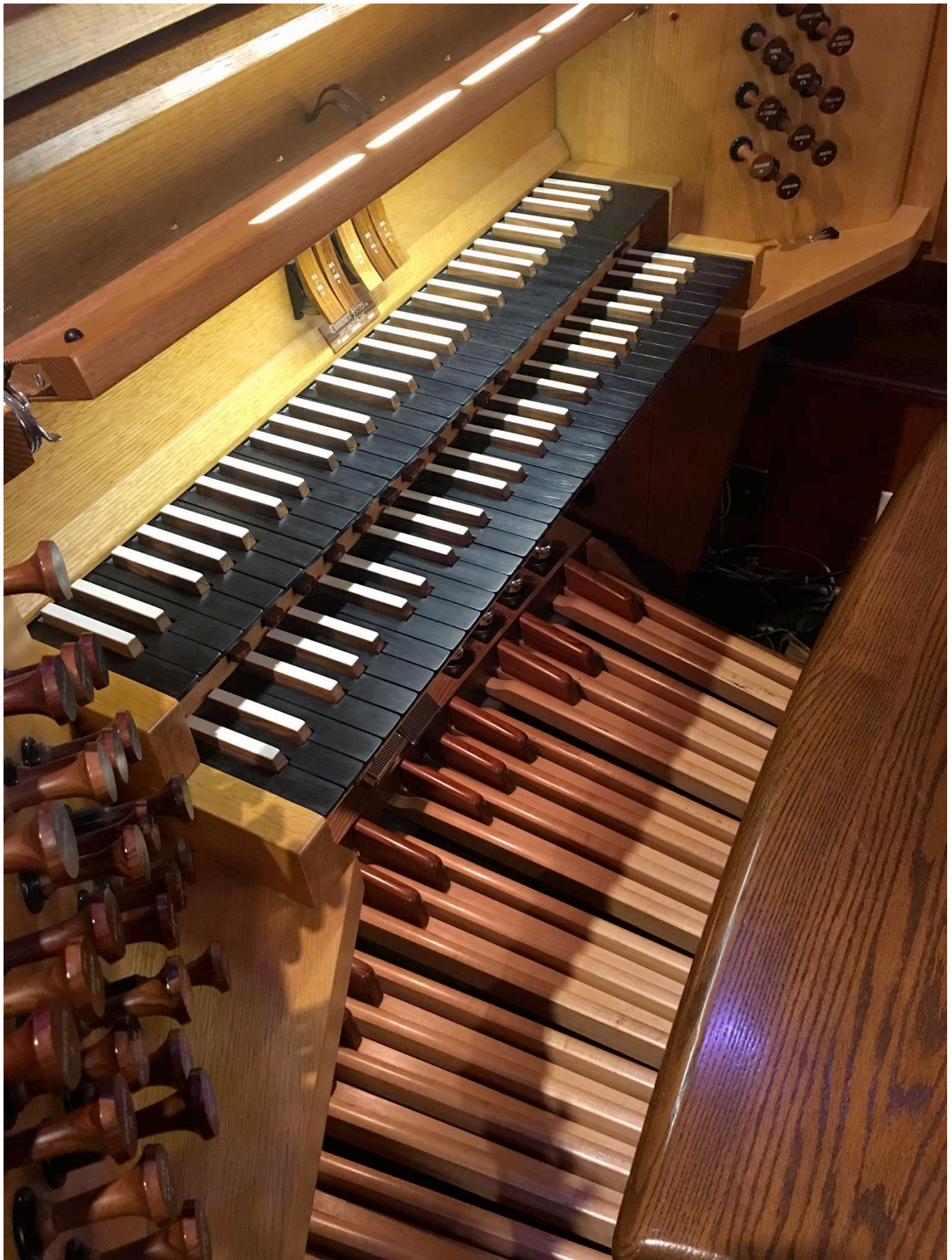
Members' Recital Coming Up on May 5th

Sunday, May 5 at 4:00 pm: Our annual Members' Recital will be held this year at at SonRise Church, 463 South Stage Coach Lane, Fallbrook, 92028, where we will play the church's 1984 two-manual and pedal Casavant Frères Opus 3588 organ (Saint Hyacinthe, Quebec). Contact Michael Munson (michael_m@hotmail.com) if you'd like to perform. All are welcome.

I took the following photos when I played a funeral at SonRise on February 22, 2017.



The 1984 two-manual and pedal Casavant Frères Opus 3588 organ at SonRise Church, Fallbrook.



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New Upcoming Events

March 31 is the deadline for "Early Bird" registration 2019 AGO West Regional Convention. Hotel Irvine.
<http://agowest2019.com>

Sunday, April 7, 4 p.m., United Methodist Church, Vista. Lenten Concert, "Through the Shadows" with Chancel Choir and musicians. Pre-Concert lecture/refreshments at 3:15 p.m.

Sunday, May 5, 4 p.m. Annual Members Recital at SonRise Christian Fellowship, Fallbrook. Michael Munson, co-ordinator

Saturday, May 11, "Introduction to the King of Instruments" Event at St. Thomas More, OC. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. An introduction to the organ for kids followed by Pizza. Contact Carol Graham for more information.

Saturday, May 18 - Annual Scholarship Auditions - information on the website

Charlotte's Web

A monthly column by Charlotte Atkinson

“CAUGHT”



A couple of days ago I was just beginning to do some research for my next subject and all of sudden my computer went black! So did my telephone, my TV, and my cell phone! What an awful feeling. This was late Sunday afternoon and there was no one home around here and I could not call anyone anyway. About this time my next door neighbors, Eric and Sally had just arrived home so I rang their door bell (something else at my house that would not work!) and they came right over and checked my outdoor electric box and then things inside the house and ended up as confused as me. But Eric had his cell phone and called Debbie and David – both heading back here on the road from Mammoth! Soon Debbie was able to get the cell phone working and David called Spectrum and suddenly I was “back in business” as mysteriously as I had suddenly been “out of business” and I could once again return to spinning my WEB.

I noticed inside the outdoor electric box that there was a huge spider web and a little tiny brownish spider. I wondered how it could have managed to get inside that tight fitting box! Where there is a way I guess. I also wonder what the web will look like the next time that box is opened as we did not disturb the spider or its web. It certainly did not need to be caught.

Then yesterday I was out walking with my little dog, Fiona, and had to duck under some tree branches with its first growth of leaves and got myself caught in a spider web! Could not find the spider but with a quick check I knew it had not caught me!

So all this is a preface to a slight, once in a while, change to my WEB title....Next month I plan to try a twist to a string of my WEB in which I would like to write about unique items or events that YOU would like me to feature.

The first one will feature the “Duchess” organ at the Guajome Adobe! I hope I have “caught” your curiosity! Do you have some unique experience in church music or with a special organ? Do you have some special item, event or memory you would like to share? Please let me know so I can help you get “caught” in my WEB.

AGO 2019 West Region Convention: Don't Miss It!



Especially for organ lovers: The AGO 2019 West Region Convention is coming soon, and it is practically in our own backyard: in Orange County, California. I invite you to come and hear some great organists playing some great music on great instruments in great spaces, listen to some great choirs and vocal ensembles, attend workshops, and schmooze with your fellow organists for five days (June 30-July 3, 2019). I've already registered, and I hope you do too! For more, visit <http://agowest2019.com>.

A Call for Contributors

Writers and photographers are wanted for the *Titulaire*! Do you have an interesting story to tell about playing the organ? Write it up and send it to me! Do you have any photographs of yourself at the console, or photos of an interesting organ you visited? Send it! We want to publish your stories and photos! (And then I don't have to use so many of my own photos.) I look forward to hearing from you!—Henry Doktorski, *Titulaire* editor (henrydoktorski@gmail.com)

October 2018 Gala Concert DVDs on Sale: Only \$5.00!

Inventory reduction! What a bargain! Get to hear these great performers:

- ♪ Howard McCullough: a medley of British and American tunes, including "Rule, Britannia."
- ♪ Henry Doktorski: his own arrangement of Aaron Copland's "Fanfare For The Common Man."
- ♪ Steve Vandlen: C. Hubert H. Parry's "Chorale Prelude on *Eventide*," and George Gershwin's "Someone To Watch Over Me," arranged by Marianne Kim.
- ♪ Judith Moore: Richard Proulx's "Fanfare."
- ♪ Kim Tran: "Short Prelude in Dm," attributed to J. S. Bach.
- ♪ Simon Nguyen: Gordon Young's "Prelude In Classic Style."
- ♪ John Naples: his own "Toccata Fanfare."
- ♪ David Lewis: Richard Purvis' arrangement of "Greensleeves," and Sir Arthur Sullivan's "The Lost Chord," arranged by Richard Ellsasser.
- ♪ Michael Munson: David Briggs' devilishly-difficult "Tierces."
- ♪ Henry Doktorski (accordion) and Adam Ferrara (organ): two pieces by Astor Piazzolla: "Oblivion" and "Libertango."
- ♪ Adam Ferrara: John Philip Sousa's famous march: "The Stars and Stripes Forever."
- ♪ The Massed Choir (consisting of members of the San Luis Chorale and other singers) directed by David Lewis and accompanied by Adam Ferrara (organ) and April Snyder (piano):
- ♪ C. Hubert Parry's "Jerusalem—'And Did Those Feet In Ancient Time,'"
- ♪ Charles Stanford's "Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis,"
- ♪ The final scene from Leonard Bernstein's *Candide*: "Make Our Garden Grow."

The DVD is \$5. Please send a check for \$8.00 (includes shipping) made out to AGO Palomar Chapter to our Treasurer: Stephen VANDLEN
37672 Oxford Drive
Murrieta, CA 92562

For more about the October 2018 Gala Concert, see *Titulaire* issue No. 165.

2018-2019 Palomar Chapter Calendar

Sunday, September 9, 4:00 pm: Kick-Off Potluck Dinner, Single-Malt Scotch Whisky Tasting, and Light Entertainment by members at Charlotte Atkinson's home at 45922 Gold Mine Drive, Temecula, 92592.

Sunday, September 16, 2:00 pm: Michael Munson plays a recital on the Spreckels organ at Balboa Park.

Sunday, October 14, 4:00 pm: Concert and Dinner Scholarship Fundraiser at Trinity Episcopal Church, 845 Chestnut Street, Escondido, 92025. Entertaining organ works will be performed by some of our finest organists and students. The impressive Massed Choir, conducted by Kapellmeister David Lewis, will perform *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* by Charles Stanford.

Sunday, November 18, 3:30 pm: Recital by Dr. Michael Munson, organist, at First United Methodist Church, 341 South Kalmia Street, Escondido, 92025.

Sunday, November 18, 4:30 pm: Recital by AGO Palomar member Sharon Watson, harpist, at the San Dieguito United Methodist Church, 170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas, CA 92024.

Sunday, December 9, 1:00 pm: Recital by Henry Doktorski, accordionist, at the Riford Branch of the San Diego Public Library, 7555 Draper Ave, La Jolla 92037.

Sunday, January 20, 4:00 pm: Solo Organ Recital by Greg Zelek at The Village Community Presbyterian Church, 6225 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 92067.

Sunday, March 10, 4:00 pm: (1) Potluck dinner. (2) Henry Doktorski will lecture and present a slide show with sound recordings from his 12-day tour of historic organs in Berlin, Dresden, Leipzig, and Wittenberg last summer. (3) Organ crawl to see and hear the 1989 two-manual and pedal Schlicker organ (nine ranks) at House of Prayer Lutheran Church, 795 N. Rose St, Escondido, CA 92027, hosted by Dale Sorenson, master organ technician and curator of the HOP organ, as well as the Spreckels organ at Balboa Park.

Sunday, May 5, 4:00 pm: Members Recital on the two-manual and pedal Casavant Frères organ at SonRise Church, 463 South Stage Coach Lane, Fallbrook, 92028.

Monday, June 17, 7:00 pm: Dinner and Installation of New Officers at Mimi's Café, 2177 Vista Way, Oceanside, 92054.

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