

# Utah Valley Chapter American Guild of Organists

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## The Dean's Message

May 2015

Dear Members and Friends,

Thank you to everyone who helped with Super Saturday! Many members were involved in the planning, setting up, publicizing, and teaching of classes. We are most appreciative. Likewise, we are grateful to BYU for allowing us to hold the event on campus and thank Don Cook, in particular, for his support. In addition, we thank Matt Beesley, who served as our Super Saturday Chairman. Gabriele Terrone gave an inspirational keynote address. If you were not able to hear him speak, I highly recommend reading his remarks. His keynote address will be posted at [uvago.org](http://uvago.org) shortly.

The process has already begun to select a keynote speaker for next year. We hope to have someone in place by the end of this month. We like to provide the opportunity for chapter members to serve the community through teaching classes. If you'd like to teach a class next year, or have suggestions for class topics, please let us know. If you'd like to be involved with Super Saturday, please contact Matt Beesley, Paul Duncombe, or myself.

You may recall that we held our opening social this year at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. It was a most enjoyable event and many of us appreciated the opportunity to play that organ. St. Mary's is eager for us to continue using their facility. They would like to see us hold future events there and encourage our members to use their venue for recitals. If you are interested in playing at St. Mary's, you can contact Anna Judkins, who is the current organist and church secretary. Anna has been serving as our BYU student representative. You can email her at: [anna@fredricknet.net](mailto:anna@fredricknet.net).

Provo Community Church is also eager for us to perform at their facility. They are currently involved in renovating their building and have plans to install a pipe organ in their sanctuary. Fund raising events are in progress and PCC would love for our members to perform at some of these events. I have played at their church service and for Carols by Candlelight and thoroughly enjoyed it. If you would like an opportunity to perform, please contact Dave Lewis at 801-228-7782. For additional information, see the article in this newsletter on page 2.

## Upcoming Events

### Chapter Meetings

May 22 Chapter Potluck, Rebecca Brand's home, 826 E 700 N, American Fork, 6:30 pm

### Organ Recitals and Events

May 9 "The Music of Robert Cundick," Assembly Hall, Temple Square, 7:30 pm. Tribute to Tabernacle organist emeritus Robert Cundick in music, and visuals on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his appointment as a Tabernacle organist.

Jun 13 Nigel Potts, organist and choirmaster of St. Stephen's Episcopal, New York City, Temple Square Performances, Salt Lake Tabernacle, 7:30 p.m. Varied program including arrangements by Handel, Wagner, and Gershwin.

Aug 4-7 BYU Organ Workshop, <http://ce.byu.edu/cw/organ/>

## Super Saturday Highlights: Gabriele Terrone

Dr. Terrone, principal organist at the Cathedral of the Madeleine, was the keynote speaker at Super Saturday. A copy of his presentation will be available on the chapter website; here are a few highlights.

Dr. Terrone was born in Rome. He started piano lessons at age 6 but quit in sixth grade. His love for music was rekindled at age 13 when he watched a film about the German organist Karl Richter playing Bach. Dr. Terrone was fascinated by the organ as a complex machine. It was a challenge to find an organ teacher, and he practiced on his parish organ. He became a church musician and played at one of the four major basilicas in Rome where he learned the Roman Catholic Rite and chant.

Dr. Terrone applied to the Cathedral of the Madeleine to be a full-time church musician. His responsibilities include playing and preparing repertoire for services as well as working training choristers and directing the Eccles Organ Festival. He practices 4-5 hours a day to prepare all of the music for services and other performances.

A church musician must be humble. Being a church musician involves collaborating with the priests and congregation in prayer. Music is one way of offering prayer. Dr. Terrone advised that church musicians ask the Lord for help, for it is through Him that we make the sacred gift of music.

## Please Join Us: Closing Social

Rebecca Brand has graciously agreed to host the chapter's closing social on Friday, May 22 at 6:30 pm. Her home is located at 836 E 700 N in American Fork.

Please bring a dish to share!

## Dean's Message continued

Our annual board planning meetings will be held in June and July. We use this time to plan events for the coming year. If you have event or venue ideas, please let us know. We value and appreciate your input.

I hope to see you at the closing social on Friday, May 22 (see above for details). Thank you all for a wonderful year! I believe our chapter is successful because of the hard work, sacrifice, and love of our members. "Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice, and most of all, love of what you are doing." - Pele

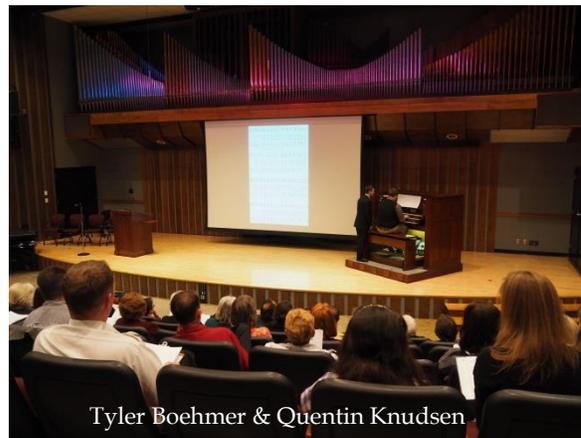
Sincerely,  
Sheri

## Performance Opportunity at Provo Community Church

Provo Community Church, in the heart of downtown Provo, is planning their upcoming renovation announced last year. A few weeks ago it was featured in an [article in the Daily Herald](#). With the renovation PCC is looking to host and be the new go-to place for concerts and recitals in the striking mid-century modern architecture of the sanctuary. Fundraising efforts are in the works to help this desire. PCC would like to host musical artists for an upcoming patriotic concert tentatively planned for late June-early July. We are seeking individuals and small- to medium-sized groups of instrumental and vocal talent in the area for this event and others in the future. Please contact Dave Lewis, musical director and organist at 801-228-7782.

## Super Saturday

Photos by Kari Nay



## AGO West Region Convention in San Diego (June 28-July 2, 2015)

The weather is heating up in San Diego, and we have one hot Regional convention in the forecast this summer. Program information is now on the website, [click here](#) to see the exciting concerts that will be offered. Don't miss out, and join the Party in Paradise. [Register now](#) while value pricing is still available. Interested in an advertisement or professional card in the program book? [Click here](#) for the reservation form. It is a great opportunity to target this select group of professionals. Visit <http://www.agosandiego2015.org> for all the latest convention information.

## Resources for Organists

"The LDS Organist"  
(created by Jennifer Morgan)  
[www.organlessons.blogspot.com](http://www.organlessons.blogspot.com)

"Pedal Points"  
(created by Florence Hawkinson)  
[www.ldsorganist.wordpress.com](http://www.ldsorganist.wordpress.com)

[Hymnal Trivia Quiz](#)  
(created by Lella Pomeroy and James Welch)

David Chamberlin's hymn voluntaries  
[www.chamberlinmusic.com](http://www.chamberlinmusic.com)

Free music for the LDS organist  
[www.ldsorganist.org](http://www.ldsorganist.org)

Music for the LDS organist:  
[www.wardorganist.com](http://www.wardorganist.com)

Resources for the LDS organist  
[www.ldsorganists.info](http://www.ldsorganists.info)

BYU organ information  
[www.organ.byu.edu](http://www.organ.byu.edu)

Local organ builder of fine mechanical action organs  
[www.bigeloworgans.com](http://www.bigeloworgans.com)

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

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