

# A 2 TWICE TOLLED TALES NOVEMBER 2017

# From the Chair . . .

Greetings from the Board of Area 2!

As your ringing season starts off, I hope you have a successful year and remember the Board is here to assist you. Visit our website (<a href="http://area2.handbellmusicians.org/">http://area2.handbellmusicians.org/</a>) to meet the your new board members.

As your Chairman for the next two years, I hope to keep your informed about what's happening in the area, encourage you to participate in area events or even perhaps host an event at your venue. The board works hard to arrange events and it's disheartening when we have to cancel an event for lack of registration. So my message to you is get involved. This is your area and the board is responsive to all evaluations we receive.

The board is looking to bring a new event to the area. Everything is in the planning stage at this point, so keep checking the website and Twice Told Tales for more information.

At the 2017 Festival Conference, I was asked to announce the site for the 2019 Festival. I did and shortly thereafter I was informed that the site was threatened with closure. After checking, I found this to be true! It was the opinion of the board that we just could not take the chance that the university could close, leaving us with little or no time to find another site for the 2019 Festival. The search began for a new site for the 2019 Festival Conference.

I am happy to report that the **Young Ringers Festival** and the **Festival Conference** will be held at **Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA June 26-30, 2019**. Ursinus is about 25 miles from Philadelphia.

Keep in mind that we have two contests ongoing. The Composition Contest for the 2019 Festival Young Ringers and Festival Conference. The other is a design for the Young Ringers Festival Banner. See Twice Tolled Tales or our website for more information.

Bob Ward

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Next TTT deadline is January 15, 2017

#### → Please Forward and Share!

Attention Directors – don't forget to forward all Area 2 emails and Twice Tolled Tale issues to your ringers. As members of your choir, they are also members of Area 2. Help keep them in the Area 2 loop and encourage them to be active participants in their handbell community.



The Young Ringers Festival should have its own banner for its festival!

Area 2 is having a contest for a banner creation. The text should include "Young Ringers Festival" and "since 1991".

The dimensions will be determined during the festival.

The winning design will received receive \$50 off a Festival registration for either festival.

We will also need someone to make the banner. That person will also receive \$50 off a Festival registration for either festival.

The Area 2 Board will select the winning design.





# **2019 Composition Contest**

# **2019 Young Ringers'** Festival Composition

**Prize: \$1,000** 

- An original handbell composition suitable for Young Ringers' massed ringing
- 2-3 octaves, HMA level 1+ or 2
- Optional handchimes or other instruments may be used
- Intended playing time: not to exceed 3 minutes

#### 2019 Festival Conference Composition

**Prize: \$1,000** 

- An original handbell composition suitable for massed ringing
- 3-5 octaves, HMA level 2 3
- Optional handchimes or other instruments may be used
- Intended playing time: not to exceed 4.5 minutes

# Deadline: April 15, 2018

## ONLY ORIGINAL, UNPUBLISHED WORKS MAY BE SUBMITTED WORKS THAT INCLUDE ARRANGEMENTS OF EXISTING TUNES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

Entries may not be under consideration by any other contest or publisher while being considered by Area 2.

Failure to observe this clause will result in immediate forfeiture of any prizes awarded.

- 1. Please use HMA/AGEHR publication Handbell Notation and Grading System as a reference guide for all compositional notation.
- 2. Composers may enter as many manuscripts as they wish, but each one is to be sent under a separate cover letter.
- 3. To enter send a cover letter, manuscript PDF file, and MP3 audio of the piece. Prepare a cover letter containing: title, intended playing time, composer's name, address, telephone number and email address. The manuscript of the piece should include: title, category, bells used chart, optional instruments, and duration. **DO NOT INCLUDE THE COMPOSER'S NAME ON ANY PAGE OF THE MANUSCRIPT**. Submit cover letter, manuscript, and MP3 together in a single mailed packet or email.
- 4. Decision of the judges is final. Area 2 reserves the right to select entries that, in its sole judgement, are suitable for its festivals' purpose. AREA 2 reserves the right not to award a prize in either or both categories.
- 5. Winning entries will be performed at the 2019 Young Ringers' Festival and Festival Conferences.
- 6. Area 2 will request a suitable dedication line when the composition is published. Area 2 reserves the right to be the sole dedicatee.
- 7. Winning compositions may not be presented or played in any festival, area, or local event prior to the 2019 Area 2 Young Ringers' Festival and Festival Conferences.
- 8. Area 2 adheres to copyright laws. Copyright obligations and adherence to copyright laws is expected of all composers.
- 9. ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED OR SUBMITTED VIA EMAIL BY APRIL 15, 2018

MAIL TO: Robert Ward, 99 Sunny Brook Circle, Highland, NY 12528

SUBMIT: Questions or entries to Robert Ward via email at: RJWardNY@optonline.net

# THE EMMANUEL PROJECT

Benefitting Houston's Emmanuel Episcopal Church and its recovery from Hurricane Harvey



3-6 octave Handbells, Level 2.
See and hear the music at
sondratucker.com
and sonologymusic.com
\$50 for digital master.
100% of proceeds go to
Emmanuel's flood recovery.



Area 2 has helped before with flood relief!
This piece was written by Sondra Tucker for a past church of hers.

See the pictures both inside and out.
100% of proceeds will benefit Emmanuel
Episcopal Church in Houston, Texas.



#### **New Members**

#### **New Jersey**

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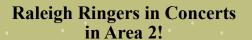
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December 2, 2017 - 7:30 pm Carnegie Music Hall 4400 Forbes Avenue Pittsburgh, PA <u>December 3, 2017 - 3 pm</u> Luhrs Performing Arts Center 475 Lancaster Drive Shippensburg, PA

March 10, 2018

Central PA Handbell Festival Kimberlee Strepka, Conducting

Lebanon Area Free Evangelical Church Jonestown, PA

Contact: Jeffrey Clouser 717-838-6369 or jgclouser@yahoo.com





#### **HMA Area 2**

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We need your email address!! Please update them thru National

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