

Area 2 Twice Tolled Tales



From the Chair . . .

Last month, Area 2 had its first ever Destination Ring at beautiful Lake George. Area 2 members rang under the baton of Michael Helman, who conducted compositions. of his own We many Handbell Musicians looking forward to returning in June 2023 to Lancaster, PA for the first Area 2 Festival Conference since 2019. We've missed all your faces!

> Like many music directors and teachers, September 1st is my New Year's Day. After summer break I return to my ensembles and to my students to start a new season of music making. A new year, new possibilities, fresh starts. This will be my last year enjoying that "new season" smell with you all as your area chair. It was my privilege to serve two years longer than expected, but this summer I will pass leadership on to Sarah Hazel. It is my hope that many of you will be inspired to get involved with the board yourself! Life keeps us all busy, but a love for ringing makes us carve out that extra time for handbells. Why not step up and take a role in the direction your area takes? It has been a rewarding six years for me and I can't imagine my life without involvement in handbell leadership.



Elizabeth Nowik chair.area2@handbellmusicians.org Chair, Area 2

→ Please Forward and Share our newsletter!

Directors: Don't forget to forward all Area 2 emails and Twice Tolled Tale issues to your ringers. As members of your bell choir, they are also members of Area 2.

Help keep them in the loop and encourage them to participate in our handbell community!



Join us <u>this Saturday</u> for the Annual Area 2 Membership Meeting

All Area 2 members are invited to attend the annual membership meeting over Zoom this Saturday, September 24 from 10:00am - 10:15am. Learn how your board and your membership are working for you in your area!

Join via this link:

https://franklinboe-org.zoom.us/j/6481615343



2023 Festival Conference



Bill Payn Festival Conductor

> Karen Lakey Buckwalter Masterclass Clinician



Lancaster Convention Center June 23-25, 2023

Coppers

Exultate Deo – J Fedon	Level 3	3-5 oct	AG35355
I Will Arise and Go to Jesus – M Compton	Level 3	3-5 oct	AG35313
Bronze			
Elegy – W Payn	Level 4	4-5 oct	HP1277
Te Deum – D Wagner	Level 4	4-7 oct/opt chimes	BL5027
Massed Ringing			
Exuberance – W Payn & M Glasgow	Level 3	3-7oct bells/3 oct chimes	CGB1100
Majestic Alleluia – J Raney	Level 2+	3-5 oct	HP2876
Soliloquy for Bells – K Buckwalter	Level 2+	3-5 oct	SPHP5175

2023 Festival Conference Composition Contest Winner

Together as One
Jason Krug
Publication Details TBD



Planning for your fall and winter programming? Area 2 is here to help.

Please review the following and don't hesitate to get the help you need to have your choirs come back strong.

Fall Read and Rings

Interested in scheduling a Read and Ring Session for August, September, or October. As a director and/or ringer – are you interested in viewing/hearing new and classic music offerings? Host a read & ring workshop in your area.

Contact me at workshops.area2@handbellmusicians.org

Techniques and Skills

Finding that your choir could use a refresher course to sharpen their ringing techniques and skills? Invite one of Area 2's clinicians to come and spend a morning or afternoon just doing that – or other areas that require a little attention.

Contact me at mentoring.area2@handbellmusicians.org

Back to Bells

Bells been packed away and there is interest in dusting them off and hearing that beautiful sound once again as part of your worship? We are eager to help. We can offer help in training directors, attracting ringers and getting your bell program started again. Contact me at **mentoring.area2@handbellmusicians.org**

Mentoring

Have you been ringing for years and now find yourself the "Director"? Don't feel you have to struggle through your new journey. Invite one of Area 2's clinicians to mentor and guide you. Not only will your role become enjoyable, you will build a lasting relationship with your mentor.

Contact me at mentoring.area2@handbellmusicians.org



Kaye Miller Mentoring and Workshop Chair

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Area 2 Handchime Lending Program

Handbell Musicians of America Area 2 has been accepting applications for the Handchime Lending Program since March 1, 2022.

Applications will be accepted until all sets have been allocated for Summer 2022 and the school year 2022-2023. Contact the HMA Education Chair about set availability.

Application and supporting documents may be emailed to the Education Chair or sent by regular mail.

Handchime Lending Program:

The purpose of Handbell Musicians of America Area 2 Handchime Lending Program is to promote the ringing of Handchimes in Public or Private Elementary or Secondary schools, Churches, or Community Groups within our area of Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Ontario. This program is a valuable introduction to the art of ringing instruments and often becomes a focal point in expanding such programs in the local community.

About the Loan Program:

HMA Area 2 has 5 sets of three-octave hand chimes to loan. The loan periods are:

One school year (September 1 through June 8) with return of handchimes to HMA-Area 2 by June 15

-OR-

One summer session (July 1 – August 15) with return of handchimes to Area 2 by August 22.

Eligibility Requirements:

Must be for a Public or Private Elementary or Secondary school, Church, or Community Group within HMA - Area 2.

- 1. Hand chimes will be loaned only once to a particular school, church or group.
- 2. Preference will be given to a new school district over another school within the same district.
- 3. Preference will be given to organizations with existing music programs.
- 4. Must be a member of Handbell Musicians of America, or willing to become a member of HMA if the loan is approved.

For further information, application and other requirements visit the Area 2 website:

http://area2.handbellmusicians.org/handchime-lending/

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From the Area 2 Photo Album...



Do you have photos from past events?

If you have any photos from past Area 2 events, whether they are from the past few years or the past few decades, we would love to feature them!

Please send a digital copy of the photo to communications.area2@handbellmusicians.org

Follow Area 2 on social media!



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www.area2.handbellmusicians.org

Upcoming Area Events

Area 2 Virtual Annual Membership Meeting Saturday, September 24, 2022 @ 10am https://franklinboe-org.zoom.us/j/6481615343

> Area 2 Festival 2023 June 23 – June 25, 2023 Lancaster Conference Center in Lancaster, PA

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