

Notes From *The Raleigh Ringers*[®] Fall 2012

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Holiday Concerts

December is just around the corner, and so are The Raleigh Ringers' Holiday Concerts! Attending these seasonal events is a favorite tradition of many people in the Triangle area and beyond, and this year we are looking to fill Meymandi to the rafters as we record our holiday performances in HD for our next UNC-TV Special. This year's concerts will include arrangements by well-known handbell composers—Hart Morris' arrangement of "You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch" Cathy Moklebust's "The First Noel" and Sandra Eithun's "Coventry Carol"—as well as some perennial Trans-Siberian Orchestra favorites.

Saturday, December 8

3:00 pm & 7:30 pm

Sunday, December 9

3:00 pm

Meymandi Concert Hall
Raleigh, North Carolina

Adults - \$19*
Seniors/Students - \$17*
Groups (10+) - \$12*

Tickets are \$2 more on the day of the concert. Group tickets are available only in advance. Ticket prices include \$2 facility charge.

"Early Bird" tickets are available directly from The Raleigh Ringers through November 23rd for \$15, or \$12 for groups of 10 or more. See the order form inside.



Progress Energy

Center for the Performing Arts

Virtuoso

An extraordinary performance experience!

Friday, June 7 - Sunday, June 9
Raleigh, North Carolina

Clinician: Dr. William Payn

**see inside for more information.*

By Request: A New Video

You've been asking for years! Well, this is the year we film our next video. Help The Raleigh Ringers pack the house at Meymandi this December 8 and 9 as we record our holiday concerts in HD for our next UNC-TV Special.

**see inside for more information.*

The Raleigh Ringers is funded in part by the City of Raleigh based on recommendations of the Raleigh Arts Commission



20th Annual Capital Area Young Ringers Festival

Saturday, February 23, 2013
Resurrection Lutheran Church
Cary, North Carolina

Clinician: Ron Bellamy

Ron Bellamy has been a performer and clinician for Handbell Exploration, the Handbell Musicians of America , and Solo/Ensemble Extravaganza and has been the conductor for several massed ringing festivals. He is presently directing six handbell choirs at five Lancaster area churches.

Repertoire

“Processional #3”

Jane McFadden
AGEHR, AG35164
Level 2, 3-5 oct.

“How Great Our Joy”

Bill Ingram
Ring Out! Press, MRO3275
Level 2, 3-5 oct.

“Scherzo”

(optional challenge piece)

Judy Phillips
Jeffers Handbell Supply,
MJHS9494
Level 3, 3-5 oct.

“Moment Meditation”

Sandra Eithun
Ringing Word Publications,
MRW8132
Level 2, 3 oct.

“Fanfare and Reflection”

Jason Krug
AGEHR, AG23038
Level 2, 2-3 oct

Registration forms are available on the
Workshops page of The Raleigh Ringers’
website www.rr.org.

Great Rep Ring!

Join us for the second annual Great Rep Ring on **March 16, 2013** at Raleigh Ringers Central. This two hour sight-reading session of level 2-4 music is a great opportunity to preview and ring through the music that has been chosen for the 2013 Capital Area Handbell Festival as well as other music for the entire church season. All music will be available for purchase after the event at a discounted price. There will also be ringing-techniques classes taught in the afternoon. More information about the Great Rep Ring will be available in November.

2013 Capital Area Handbell Festival

The 2013 Capital Area Handbell Festival will be held on **November 8-9, 2013** at the Kerr Scott Building at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds, under the direction of clinician **Tim Waugh!** Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details.



VIRTUOSO

An Extraordinary Performance Experience

Clinician: Dr. William Payn

June 7-9, 2013, Raleigh, North Carolina

Sponsored by The Raleigh Ringers

Virtuoso is a unique opportunity for a small group of advanced ringers to participate in a professional performance experience, under the baton of renowned conductor Dr. William Payn. The three-day **Virtuoso** event will include all aspects of preparing for and presenting a formal concert, including intensive rehearsals for music mastery, transportation logistics/equipment, stage setup, and tech and lighting rehearsals, culminating in a featured performance on a concert stage as special guests during The Raleigh Ringers' Spring Concert at Meymandi Concert Hall.

The VIRTUOSO registration fee includes:

- * 12 hours of immersion rehearsal with Dr. Payn
- * Dr. Payn's "Stage Presence" class
- * All local transportation
- * Friday dinner, Saturday lunch & dinner, Sunday lunch

Participants will be responsible for transportation to Raleigh, hotel (discounted reservations at suggested hotel will be available), music and formal attire for the final concert. Participants will be selected by an application/audition process.

Information and applications are available online at www.rr.org/events/Virtuoso. Deadline to apply is January 1, 2013.

Dr. William Payn has achieved prominence as a conductor and composer. Dr. Payn is Director of Choral Studies at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania and is in constant demand as a handbell clinician and festival conductor. Dr. Payn has conducted in four national festivals and numerous area festivals, as well as for the International Symposium in New Mexico for Handbell Musicians of America. In 1988, he traveled to Japan, where he served as clinician and guest conductor for the Handbell Ringers of Japan and the ringers at Kwasnei Gakuin University.

Auditions

Many people ask us about our auditions. Can anyone audition? How do you sign up? Where do they take place? What do they involve? Here's some information about what takes place during auditions every January:

Auditions are composed of three parts: an individual component where sight reading and handbell techniques are assessed, a group component where your ability to play with a choir in different positions is evaluated, and an interview component discussing commitment requirements.

Auditions are held every January at our building and even current members of the group audition each year.

If you're interested in an informal audition, we invite you to participate in a demonstration recording. Contact Dave Harris at rringer@rr.org for more information about auditions.

O, Canada!

The Raleigh Ringers has been invited to Ontario, Canada next May to teach classes and perform for the Ontario Guild of English Handbell Ringers' Festival in London, Ontario. Keep your fingers crossed that we will be able to get all our bells across the border and back!

New Music

The Raleigh Ringers premiered two new pieces of music this year:

Legends, composed by Dr. William Payn, was commissioned by The Raleigh Ringers in honor of two handbell greats: Don Allured and David Davidson. With the passing of these two men who had done so much to further the art of handbell ringing, we wanted to commission a piece that would honor their vast contributions to this artform.

Legends is an intense and complex piece which features a strong passionate melody and is filled with fast moving arpeggiated passages. Deep chords in the bass utilize the bass chimes and give the piece a sense of depth and grandness-both characteristics of these great men. Overall, *Legends* is a fitting tribute to two men who did so much for the handbell world.

Valse Brillante, composed by Karen Buckwalter, is just that: Brilliant! Karen's ability to take a motif and interweave it throughout the melody is amazing. This fast-paced waltz is characterized by rich chords, and a melody that will leave you humming even after the piece has concluded.

For the most current information about The Raleigh Ringers, please sign up for our email newsletter at www.rr.org. You can also find videos on our YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/RaleighRingers, or join the other 3,800 fans on our Facebook page for the first look at photos from events.

Upcoming Concerts

November 15, 2012 - 7:30pm

Levy Performing Arts Center
Florida Gateway College
Lake City, Florida

November 16, 2012 - 7:00pm

Pine Shores Presbyterian Church
Sarasota, Florida

November 17, 2012 - 7:00pm

Faith Presbyterian Church
Cape Coral, Florida

November 18, 2012 - 2:30pm

The Lakeland Center
Lakeland, Florida

December 1, 2012 - 8:00pm

Wright Auditorium
East Carolina University
Greenville, North Carolina

December 2, 2012 - 2:00pm

High Point University
High Point Concert Association
High Point, North Carolina

December 8, 2012 - 3:00pm

Meymandi Concert Hall
Raleigh, North Carolina

December 8, 2012 - 7:30pm

Meymandi Concert Hall
Raleigh, North Carolina

December 9, 2012 - 3:00pm

Meymandi Concert Hall
Raleigh, North Carolina

April 20, 2013 - 7:00pm

Niswonger Performing Arts Center
Greeneville, Tennessee

April 21, 2013 - 3:00pm

The Lincoln Theatre
Marion, Virginia

May 23, 2013

Metropolitan United Church
London, Ontario, CANADA

May 26, 2013 - 7:00pm

Wapakoneta Performing Arts Ctr
Wapakoneta, Ohio

June 9, 2013 - 4:00 pm

Spring Concert & Virtuoso

Meymandi Concert Hall
Raleigh, North Carolina

June 23, 2013 - 4:00pm

Location TBD
Wethersfield, Connecticut

June 25, 2013 - 7:30pm

The Temple at Ocean Park
Ocean Park, Maine

June 27, 2013 -

Paul Performing Arts Center
University of New Hampshire
Durham, New Hampshire

August 24, 2013 - 6:30pm

Trinity Lutheran Church
Joppa, Maryland

September 7, 2013

First Baptist Church on the Square
LaGrange, Georgia

September 8, 2013 - 3:00pm

John Knox Presbyterian Church
Greenville, South Carolina

Complete information on all concerts can be found at: **www.rr.org**

The Raleigh Ringers—2012 UNC-TV Project Underwriting Information

Our Goal: Receive underwriting support for 40% of the cost of this project, approximately \$50,000.

Method: Get 3 Significant Underwriters of \$10,000 and get additional underwriters to contribute up to a total of \$20,000. Each of the other underwriters needs to be a minimum of \$1000 to be listed.

"Significant" Underwriters benefits (gifts of \$10,000 or more):

15 seconds underwriting credit (maximum allowed by Public Television rules for a single sponsor) before and after our UNC-TV broadcast of the RR's holiday special.

Recognition on The Raleigh Ringers website with corporate logos and links to their websites for as many years as the program continues to run on UNC-TV.

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Additional Underwriters benefits (gifts of \$1000 to \$9999):

After Significant underwriters are mentioned on the broadcast, the remaining available time will be divided among the other underwriters.

Broadcast Information:

UNC-TV will be filming The Raleigh Ringers' December 2012 concerts. The subsequent hour-long holiday special is currently scheduled to first appear on UNC-TV in December 2013.

UNC-TV has asked for, and been granted, the right to show our program in perpetuity. The underwriting credits will stay with the show on UNC-TV for all future broadcasts. UNC-TV has shown our original program every year for 10 years, and we anticipate the same distribution and broadcast for this new program.

UNC-TV programming reaches the entire state of North Carolina and also includes parts of the bordering states of Virginia, Tennessee and South Carolina. Total weekly viewership is around 2,000,000.

In addition, we expect this program to be accepted by the national syndicator APT (American Public Television), which, for our first holiday special, resulted in coverage by 250+ APT affiliates in 45 States.

CURRENT UNDERWRITERS

Anonymous	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Glendening
Jerri Bland	Mr. & Mrs. Doug Harris
Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Brock	Mr. & Mrs. William Heffelfinger
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Video Project

Ten years ago The Raleigh Ringers and UNC-TV collaborated to produce a holiday special/video that would bring the art of handbell ringing to the state of North Carolina. Little did we know that would become the start of something magical which would grow to touch millions of households across the country. *One Winter Evening at Meymandi* has sold over 15,400 copies and has been broadcast in 45 states around the country!

The Raleigh Ringers is excited to announce that this is the year we film our next video! UNC-TV has asked us create a new holiday special, which will air beginning in December, 2013.

Here's how you can be a part of our next video project:

Help The Raleigh Ringers fill Meymandi Concert Hall to the rafters this December 8 and 9 as we record our holiday concerts in HD. This is your chance to be part of a live audience!

Become an underwriter for our video project. We are hoping to raise \$50,000, which is approximately 40% of the cost of this project. See the underwriting campaign information on the previous page.

Yes, I would like to become an Underwriter for the filming of The Raleigh Ringers' new UNC-TV television special with my tax-deductible donation in the amount of:

Significant Underwriter (\$10,000) Additional Underwriter (\$1,000-9,999)

Donor (up to \$1,000) \$ _____

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Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Check enclosed Contact me to discuss my donation

Credit Card #: _____ Exp: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail to: The Raleigh Ringers, 8516 Sleepy Creek Drive, Raleigh NC 27613



2012 HOLIDAY CONCERTS AT MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL

EARLY BIRD HOLIDAY CONCERT TICKET OFFER

Complete this form to order tickets for The Raleigh Ringers' Holiday Concerts.
Orders must be postmarked no later than **November 23**.

Include a check made payable to **The Raleigh Ringers** or complete the credit card information below.

INCLUDE A BUSINESS-SIZE, SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE
WITH YOUR ORDER, and mail to:

The Raleigh Ringers, 8516 Sleepy Creek Drive, Raleigh, NC 27613

Or fax the order to 866-914-7578. Faxed forms **must** include credit card information and e-mail address, and will be charged an additional \$1 per order for envelope and postage.

***NOTE:** This form may be used to purchase tickets for the Meymandi Holiday Concerts only.

Please select a concert:

Saturday, December 8 _____ 3:00 pm _____ 7:30 pm

Sunday, December 9 _____ 3:00 pm

Number of Tickets (up to 9) _____ x \$15 = \$ _____

Number of Tickets (10 or more) _____ x \$12 = \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Credit Card #: _____ Exp: _____

(Visa, MasterCard or Discover)

All seats are reserved, but if you prefer to select exact seats, please purchase your tickets via the Progress Energy Center Box Office or Ticketmaster. If you choose to order tickets through The Raleigh Ringers, there are no refunds or exchanges.

Music Made in Heaven

A few years ago, The Raleigh Ringers shared a story about a special handbell group operating in the Raleigh area. They perform both in public events and for specific occasions. This group is unique in its mission: *"In honor and remembrance of our children who have died, we, the parents, have created a handbell choir as an ongoing expression of our love for God and joy in the gift of our children. The music, played with handbells representing our children, serves as a beautiful contribution our children are continuing to make to the world."* This group is aptly named Music Made in Heaven.

Finding ringers has been one of the biggest challenges for the ensemble over the years. People might not approach the group because they do not believe they can play handbells. Although originally the choir was composed only of parents who had lost children, the Board is now considering including anyone who supports their mission. Inquiries are always welcome.

The 42 bells the choir uses were donated by parents who have lost children, each bell inscribed by the parents. Donating a bell costs \$250 and interested donors should contact Elizabeth Barnes (919-846-8843, ebarnes@885@aol.com or musicmih@aol.com). Interested ringers may also contact Elizabeth Barnes or Carla Hinton (919-623-2272). A calendar of events and performances are available on the new website www.musicmadeinheaven.org.

Burning the Mortgage: It's official!

We are very excited to announce that we have officially burned the mortgage and now own our own building! On June 1 we held a Mortgage Burning Party and invited friends and family, past ringers, and donors. Fun was had by all as we celebrated how far The Raleigh Ringers has come over the years: from a small idea 22 years ago to a nationally known performing group that is dedicated to sharing the love of handbell ringing with others, we have come a long way, and we have many of you to thank for that!

New England Tour 2013

The Raleigh Ringers is thrilled to be performing next June in two new host states: Maine and New Hampshire. This will bring the total number of states in which we have performed to 38! The Raleigh Ringers will be teaching classes and presenting a concert for the Handbell Musicians of America Area 1 Festival and returning to Connecticut for a concert in Wethersfield. We are still in need of concert hosts in Vermont, Massachusetts, and possibly New Jersey/eastern New York/eastern Pennsylvania. Contact Dave Harris at ringer@rr.org if you're like information about hosting us for a concert.

Friends of The Raleigh Ringers

as of October 1, 2012

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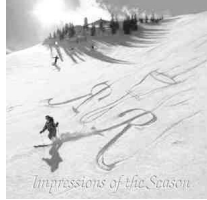
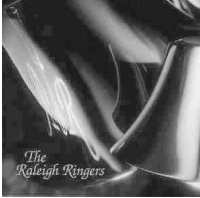
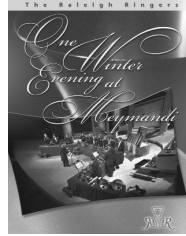
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Item	Qty	Price	Total
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CD: <i>Going to Extremes</i>		\$15	
DVD: <i>One Winter Evening at Meymandi</i>		\$25	
CD: <i>The Raleigh Ringers*</i>		\$15	
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