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From

# The Raleigh Ringers

Spring  
2007

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This year, The Raleigh Ringers will be taking two four-day concert tours instead of one week-long summer tour, to Texas in July and Florida in November. For information about the Florida tour, see the back page of this newsletter.

#### Texas Tour July 2007

**Thursday, July 19**  
7:00 pm Concert  
Chapelwood UMC  
Houston, Texas

**Friday, July 20**  
7:00 pm Concert  
First UMC  
Conroe, Texas

**Saturday, July 21**  
8:00 pm Concert  
Closing concert for  
AGEHR National  
Seminar  
Dallas, Texas

**Sunday, July 22**  
2:30 pm Concert  
Highland Park UMC  
Dallas, Texas

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

## Spring Concert

**Saturday, June 9th - 7:30pm**

Meymandi Concert Hall  
Progress Energy Center for the Performing Arts  
Raleigh, North Carolina



**Progress Energy**

Center for the Performing Arts

Tickets available at the Progress Energy Center Box Office or through Ticketmaster.

Adults - \$15      Seniors/Students - \$13  
Groups (10 or more) - \$12

For a limited time: "Early Bird" tickets available directly through The Raleigh Ringers. See page 3 for details.

### Building Search Begins

When The Raleigh Ringers incorporated in 1990, we knew our goal of becoming an independent, self-sufficient community handbell choir would require careful planning, dedication, hard work and above all, patience. For nearly two decades we scrimped and saved, grateful to generous "Friends" and supporters for helping us amass an amazing array of handbell equipment (along with a truck and a van to haul it in!)

During that time, Abbotswood at Stonehenge and then Springmoor Life Care Retirement Center each graciously provided rehearsal and storage space, no mean feat, considering the amount of equipment owned by The Raleigh Ringers. Now, after 17 years, The Raleigh Ringers is preparing to take the next step toward reaching one of those initial long-range goals: acquiring a place to call our own! Watch for updates in future newsletters as we endeavor to make our dream a reality!

## Friends of The Raleigh Ringers

### Director's Circle: \$1000+

- \* Gil & Karen Brock
- \* W. Theodore & Kim Etzel
- \* David & Kristina Harris
- \* Douglas Hollowell
- \* Richard & Elaine Mueller

### Benefactor: \$500-999

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### Donor: \$50-99

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- \* Dean G. Tryon
- \* Howard Underwood
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- \* Pam Williams

### Sustainer: \$250-499

- \* Avon United Methodist Church Bell Choir (Ohio) *in memory of Norma Johnson*
- \* Albert & Mary Dornseif
- \* Arlene Hilfer, *in memory of Trevor Hilfer*
- \* Jerry Hosking
- \* Harold & Lois Lauffenburger
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- \* Rob Sunday & Karen Alexander

### Contributor: \$25-49

- \* Jack & Barb Best
- \* Cindy Cothran
- \* Jane S. DeWitt
- \* Betsy Evans, *in memory of my parents, who taught me to love music*
- \* Marshall & Nancy Hiatt
- \* Glenda Horton
- \* Georgia Hosking
- \* Joan James
- \* Abbey Jones, *for Ken for Father's Day*
- \* Edmund Kallies
- \* John & Jane Lindenthal
- \* Jane Mosley
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- \* Henry & Dea Huber
- \* Sue King
- \* George & Claire Latham
- \* Ann LeGarde, *in honor of The Raleigh Ringers' work with the Farmington Woods Elementary School's Hanbell Choirs*
- \* Pettyjohn's Oriental Rug Washing
- \* Vernice & Norman Punch
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As of April 20, 2007

**\*\*SPRING CONCERT TICKET OFFER\*\***

You may purchase tickets for **The Raleigh Ringers' Spring Concert** by completing the form below. Orders must be postmarked no later than **May 26, 2007**

Include a check made payable to The Raleigh Ringers or complete the credit card information. **INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE** with your order, and mail to:  
The Raleigh Ringers, 8516 Sleepy Creek Drive, Raleigh, NC 27613  
*You may also fax this form with credit card information to (919) 518-0974*

Number of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$12 Early Bird Price = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Enclosed  
no additional processing fees added!

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\*\*\*\*NOTE: If you choose to order tickets through The Raleigh Ringers, you will receive seats from a purchased block. You may find seats you feel are better through the Box Office or Ticketmaster. If you prefer to select specific seats, please purchase your tickets via the Progress Energy Center Box Office. There are no refunds or exchanges for tickets purchased using this order form or the one on our website.

**Friends of The Raleigh Ringers - Founding Friends**

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| * Jack & Sing Boddie   | * Barbara & Robin Marley,<br><i>in memory of Sarah Marley</i>                | * Emily & Byron Williams  |
| * Ben & Laveita Brinson                                      | * In appreciation, Grace<br>Community Church                                 | * In honor of David M. Harris<br>and his many years of<br>dedicated service to The<br>Raleigh Ringers |
| * Sarah Clark & Family, <i>in<br/>memory of Frosty Clark</i> | * Mr. & Mrs. George McGregor   | * In memory of H. Hawkins<br>Bradley  |
| * John & Amy Gaydos  | * David Metz   | * In memory of Mr. & Mrs. A<br>Foster Williamson  |
| * David & Kristina Harris                                    | * Richard & Elaine Mueller,<br><i>in memory of Betty Garee</i>               | * To the Riordan Family, <i>in<br/>memory of Stuart H. Riordan,<br/>given by a friend</i>             |
| * Doug & Connie Harris                                       | * Sara Perkinson, <i>in honor of my<br/>family &amp; The Raleigh Ringers</i> | * Anonymous   |
| * Theodore & Marsha Havens                                   | * Linward & Beverly Shivers  |   |
| * Mr. & Mrs. T Hopkins                                       | * Howard & Margaret Tiano  |   |
| * George & Claire Latham                                     |  |   |
| * Cindy Massey, <i>in memory of<br/>my Beatsy</i>            |  |   |

**19th Annual  
Capital Area  
Handbell Festival**

**November 3, 2007  
Raleigh, North Carolina**

**Clinician: Hart Morris**



**Repertoire:**

*Bell Peaen* - Derek Hakes

*Coventry Carol* - arr. Michael Helman

*I Know That My Redeemer Lives* -  
arr. Kevin McChesney

*Il Est Né* - arr. Jason Krug

*Rocking Carol* - arr. Hart Morris

Optional Work for Advanced Choirs:  
*West Indies Carol* - arr. Hart Morris

The festival will be held in the Kerr Scott Building on the North Carolina State Fairgrounds. Registration forms will be available in late May. More information will be available on the Capital Area Handbell Festival website:

[www.paulmcklveen.com/CAHFC](http://www.paulmcklveen.com/CAHFC)

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**The Raleigh Ringers 2007**

*For more information about the ringers, see  
the Members page of [www.rr.org](http://www.rr.org).*

**Front Row: (Left to Right)**

Andrea Berry \*, Ruth Brown, Diane vanDijk \*,  
Ann Lowe Vodicka

**Second Row:**

Nancy Ritter, Audrey Yosai, Sandra Hopson,  
Cindy Massey

**Third Row:**

David Harris, Erin Glendening \*, Lisa Phillips

**Fourth Row:**

Kevin Dietzschold, Amy Harris, David Metz

**Fifth Row:**

Keith Burt, Chad Etzel \*, Bob Auchter,  
Andy Punch

\*new members in 2007

The Byers Ford Bells: a handbell ensemble with some serious problems.

Their director, though tall, dark, and handsome, is a world-class grouch.

Sondra, who should be behind the tables with bells in her hands, is in the hospital with stones in her kidneys. She won't be joining them on their tour.

Worst of all, though....they only THINK they know where they're going on that tour!

Come along for the ride!  
Read: *The Silent Bell*  
*a handbell fantasy*  
by Sherry Graham

Available summer 2007. For early ordering information, e-mail Starke & Dormi Publications at [starkeanddormi@bellsouth.net](mailto:starkeanddormi@bellsouth.net) or write to Starke & Dormi Publications, PO Box 41388, Raleigh, NC, 27629.

ARSIS Children Ensemble in Concert  
August 13, 2007

Resurrection Lutheran Church - Cary, NC

Members are auditioned ringers of high school to college age who have graduated from the Arsis School of Handbell Music in Tallin, Estonia. Learn more about the group at [www.arsis.ee](http://www.arsis.ee)

## Donation Opportunities

The Raleigh Ringers as an Additional Giving Option on the **Triangle United Way** website again for 2007. The



Triangle United Way

Raleigh Ringers can also receive designated donations through any United Way Agency in the United States.



The Raleigh Ringers will also be included in the 2007 State Employees Combined Campaign, a workplace-based donation program for North Carolina state employees.

### Beginning Ringers Workshop

October 13, 2007

Raleigh, North Carolina

**Clinician: Greig Ashurst**

### 2008 Capital Area Young Ringers Festival

Raleigh, North Carolina

**Guest Conductor: Nancy Cappel**

*A festival for ringers ages 9 to 14*

For more information, see the Events page of [www.rr.org](http://www.rr.org)

## Dean Shostak and the Glass Armonica

Dean Shostak began his musical career in Colonial Williamsburg at age 14, performing violin in the Music Teacher's Shop. Over the years, Dean's musical responsibilities expanded to performing in evening concerts throughout the historic area. Dean earned a B.A. in music from the University of Virginia, while continuing to perform in Williamsburg during his summer and holiday breaks. After college, Dean began exploring some of the more unusual instruments that were popular in the 18th century. He began playing the pocket violin, a miniature fiddle gentlemen would keep on their person, and then the hurdy-gurdy, a French instrument similar to the violin but uses a wheel instead of a bow.

In 1991, Dean became involved in the revival of the rare and beautiful glass armonica, invented by Benjamin Franklin in 1761. Today, there are only eight glass armonica players in the world. Dean is credited with bringing the glass armonica to Williamsburg, where it was performed on many occasions over 200 years ago. Instead of using an electric motor to spin the glasses, Dean is the only glass armonica player since the 18th century to use a flywheel and foot treadle as Franklin originally designed. He has now incorporated spectacular new and antique glass instruments into his show, including the glass violin and crystal handbells.

Dean has emerged as a nationally acclaimed touring artist, performing in theaters, schools, universities and festivals throughout the country. Dean has released several solo recordings. His latest CD/DVD, "The Glass Armonica", features classical works for the glass armonica by composers such as Mozart, Beethoven, Saens, Schultz and others.

For more information, see [www.Glassmusic.com](http://www.Glassmusic.com)



### **The Raleigh Ringers**

**2007**

### **Holiday Concerts**

**with Dean Shostak**

Meymandi Concert Hall  
Raleigh, North Carolina

**Saturday, December 15th**  
**3:00 & 8:00 pm**

**Sunday, December 16th**  
**3:00 pm**

Tickets available in early  
September at the Progress  
Energy Center Box Office  
and all Ticketmaster outlets.

**[www.rr.org](http://www.rr.org)**

## RECORDINGS

**50,000 sold as of December 2006!**

Use the form below to order The Raleigh Ringers' CDs or DVD/VHS, or order online at [www.rr.org](http://www.rr.org). The website also offers other merchandise including T-shirts, "cradles", mousepads, and of course, tie-dyed gloves.

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### Upcoming Concerts

**August 25, 2007**

7:00 pm Concert  
Dunwoody United Methodist  
Dunwoody, Georgia

**August 26, 2007**

4:00 pm Concert  
Keppel Auditorium at Catawba  
College  
Salisbury, North Carolina

**September 8, 2007**

3:00 pm Concert  
National Presbyterian Church  
Washington, DC

**September 9, 2007**

3:00 pm Concert  
Agri-Civic Center  
Albemarle, North Carolina

**Florida Tour:**

**November 8, 2007**

7:00 pm Concert  
Faith Presbyterian Church  
Cape Coral, Florida

**November 9, 2007**

7:00 pm Concert  
Pine Shores Presbyterian  
Sarasota, Florida

**November 10, 2007**

7:00 pm Concert  
First Baptist Church  
Melbourne, Florida

**November 11, 2007**

2:30 pm Concert  
The Lakeland Center  
Lakeland, Florida

**November 30, 2007**

8:00 pm Concert  
The Whitaker Center  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

**December 1, 2007**

7:30 pm Concert  
Soldiers & Sailors Hall  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

**December 15, 2007**

3:00 pm & 8:00 pm Concerts

**December 16, 2007**

3:00 pm Concert  
Meymandi Concert Hall  
Raleigh, North Carolina

For complete information on all  
upcoming concerts, see our  
website: **www.rr.org**