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We are **COMBINING** our Young Ringers Camp **AND** our Adult Ringers Camp
Into ONE SUPER FUN AREA 11 CAMP!

**REGISTRATION
DEADLINE IS
MARCH 15, 2021!**

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Area 11 Ringers Camp 2021

FOR ALL AGES! YOUTH AND ADULT! EVERYONE!

Date: **Sunday, June 13 – Wednesday, June 16, 2021**

Clinician: **Monica McGowan**

Location: **YMCA in Estes Park, Colorado**

That's right! We're having an ALL AGES Ringers Camp this coming summer 2021!

Join us in the mountains of Colorado and have a lot of fun ringing in a very relaxed atmosphere!

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Area 11 Website

area11.handbellmusicians.org

National Office Website

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Upcoming Area 11 Board Meetings

Sat, March 6, 2021 8:00 a.m.

Sat, April 10, 2021 8:00 a.m.

Sat, May 15, 2021 9:00 a.m.

If you would like to suggest a topic for us to discuss at our board meeting or have a question, you may submit those by [clicking here.](#)



From the Chair:



Dear Area 11 Ringing Friends,

Well 2021 has arrived and we are still in the eye of the pandemic storm. The vaccines are here and some states are returning to yet another “new normal”. My oldest child will be graduating in May from high school, and I just hope we can keep the plans that have been made. So here’s to progress and looking forward to being together soon!

Our registration deadline for this June’s Bell Camp is fast approaching! My ringers (young & experienced) are looking forward to spending time making music in the Colorado Rockies. Monica McGowan will be leading us through “international” flavor of music. We always enjoy the multitude of activities that our camp provides at the YMCA! I do hope you will join us this summer.

On behalf of the board, I would like to especially thank Mary Moffett for putting together a marvelous “Super Bell Saturday”! She organized this virtual event and took on the challenge of contacting publishers and formatting all the music. Thanks to all of you for the multitude of submissions! I do hope you will join me in watching and listening to all our amazing choirs from around Area 11!

Please reach out to us with any questions or comments! We would love to hear from our Area 11 bell families.

Happy Music Making, Anne



Area 11 Board Members

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2021 VIRTUAL SUPER BELL SATURDAY IX

Guess what? We're on steps #4 and #5 for our
2021 Super Bell Saturday IX Virtual Read and Ring!

We completed steps #1 through #3

#1 People selected videos of their choir

#2 People sent videos to Mary

#3 People included information

Then we stepped in and put it all together and created a document that you can all view and move on to steps #4 and #5! Which, as a reminder are:

4. Enjoy watching our Virtual Super Bell Saturday IX and make a list of the pieces you want to purchase for your choir.
5. Contact a music company to purchase the music!

We know it's not the same as getting together with other ringers in Area 11 and playing through some music packets, but we think you will still find some great music that you're introduced to through other groups' videos!

So now here's the link to the list!

There are many terrific videos of fabulous pieces in this document that you might want to purchase for your choir to include in a future performance!

Take some time and take a look!

The document will be available for a while, so you don't need to rush through it.

You can take your time watching and making your list!

[Area 11 Super Bell Saturday IX Virtual Read and Ring 2021 Video List](#)



Handbell Musicians of America
NATIONAL SEMINAR

National Seminar is coming to
Phoenix, Arizona this summer!
July 13-17, 2021



Just because it's almost St. Patrick's Day!

WOOHOO for Summer Fun in 2021 at Area 11 Ringers Camp!

June 13-16, 2021



I am SO EXCITED for Area 11 Camp this June! I think this is going to be one of the FUNNEST Area 11 events that I will attend since I've been on the Area 11 board!

I'm so excited for a few reasons!

The first reason is **Monica McGowan**! When I was first asked to be on the board and serve as the Mountain Sub-Area chair, I flew to Wyoming to visit the Wyoming Spring Ring and Monica was the guest clinician! I was amazed, awed, and amused through the entire event! She was so engaging and humorous and knowledgeable and approachable! So the fact that she's going to be our clinician is a **BIG WOOHOO from me!**

The second reason is that it's going to be a very relaxed event with ringing, and also time to enjoy being where we will be – the Colorado Rocky Mountains!

So often when we attend events, we don't get to spend much time outside of the hotel we are at. I mean, that's okay because we're so involved in the ringing and classes/workshops and concerts, and all the other fun things that are included there! And we do get some free time to go out...But this event – this CAMP – is going to allow you to really enjoy the outdoors too, if you want! And since I don't like actual camping...like at a campground in a tent or even in a camping trailer, being able to stay in a nice hotel room and also enjoy being in the mountains is another **BIG WOOHOO from me!**

And the third reason is **YOU!** I am so excited to spend time with each of you that register to attend! I'm a little social butterfly ... okay maybe a big social butterfly! And I can't wait to be able to associate with you in whatever way we're safely able to in June! So that's another **BIG WOOHOO from me!**

Three **BIG WOOHOOS for Area 11 Ringers Camp!** I'd love to meet more of you than I've been able to meet over the past 9 years I've served on the board! So register now for Area 11 Ringers Camp 2021 and have tons of SUMMER FUN IN 2021!

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Is it time for some inspiration? Whether you are back ringing or still figuring out how you can get started again your membership in Handbell Musicians of America can help you find new inspiration. The magazine, website and our area 11 newsletter have timely articles on conducting, exciting music, how to work with youth and adults, ringing techniques and information about upcoming events. You can get the latest information on the National Seminar and about what events will be taking place this summer.

I find the connection with colleagues and “picking their brains” one of the most inspiring aspects of being a member. I attribute my growth as a conductor and the techniques and ideas for new music to my association with other musicians and friends in the bell world.

Walt Disney believed “The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing”. Join us, get inspired and begin doing.

LeAnna Willmore
Chair-Elect, Area 11



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