

Candidates for Chair-Elect



Glen Hascall got his introduction to handbells in 1982 when he joined the Covenant Bell Choir at Lake Grove Presbyterian Church in Lake Oswego, OR. By 1990 his skills had progressed to the point that, along with his wife Nancy, he auditioned for and was accepted as a charter member of the community choir, Bells of the Cascades (BOC). As his love for the art continued to grow he began teaching others to improve their skills developing classes in ringing techniques, handbell history and bell maintenance. He has taught at a number of Area X conferences, regional conferences, and many BOC weekend workshops. During his time with BOC he also developed a talent for event organization being the logistics chairman for 11 of their "Cruise of the Bells" events and numerous weekend workshop and concert tours. Ringing wise, Glen has participated

in many national events including Bayview Week of Handbells, National Conferences, Distinctly Bronze and 3 International Symposiums. One of his most memorable events was auditioning for and being accepted for an All Star choir which represented the United States at the International Symposium in Liverpool, England. He continues to serve the national organization as Local Liaison for Distinctly Bronze/West while held in the Portland area.

While Glen is retired from his original career as a Software Technician on large IBM mainframes and from BOC, he is busy (besides bells) as a Mentor in his church's Job Seeker program and a singer in the church's Sanctuary Choir. He enjoys travelling, bird and wildlife watching and fishing. He is currently working with his wife of 7 months, Patricia Nichols, to combine households into one livable "nest".

In a statement Glen reports "I am honored and excited to have been asked to serve on the Area X board. If elected I will work to fulfill the goals of the national Handbell Musicians of America and of our board. I am a firm supporter of those activities that get our art form out into the public especially getting bell sets "out of the closet", training new ringers, young and old, and publicizing local and regional events. I am prepared for this commitment. Thank You."



Robert Adams is new to Area 10, where he is a member of the Medford, Oregon-based Rogue Ringers. He is a retired church musician (organ, choir, handbells) and professor of music, having taught at the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, several campuses of the University of California, Susquehanna University (Pennsylvania) and the University of Montevallo (Alabama).

Dr. Adams received music degrees through the Ph.D. from the University of California Berkeley, with studies in composition and music theory. In addition to ringing, his musical activities focus on composing for choral and instrumental chamber ensembles, including handbells.

Candidates for Secretary



Wendy Goodheart has been an active bell ringer and director for the past 25 years. Currently Wendy is the director of ***bellissimo!***, a community choir in Billings, MT. She is also a member of ***The Bells of Peace*** at Peace Lutheran Church in Billings, MT. Wendy began playing bells at age 15, and through the years has become an accomplished soloist and director. She is also a private handbell coach. Wendy also serves as Secretary of the newly formed Big Sky Handbell Musicians Association.

Wendy holds a B.A. in Music Education and a M.M. in Music Education. Currently, she teaches K-6 General Music in Billings, MT. Wendy also directs the Billings Public Schools Boys Honor Choir, which is an auditioned group. She also serves as an adjudicator for Montana High School Association music festivals.



Julie Hunziker considered herself a non-musician until her neighbor dragged her to her first handbell rehearsal with the words, "Anyone can play bells!" She was hooked instantly and, after ringing bells for 23 years, considers herself a genuine musician. As a utility player, she enjoys ringing any position, joining others in duets and small ensembles, and specializes in playing the bell tree as a soloist. A recent transplant to Area 10, Julie is helping to advance the art of handbell ringing in Yakima, WA. When not rehearsing or performing, Julie enjoys gardening, reading, and exploring trails with her Jack Russell Terrier. Oh, and she loves to travel both nationally and internationally with her husband, Todd.