

AGEHR AREA II

VIBRATION VACATION SEMINARS

This summer join us for a Vibration Vacation – a 2-day ringing event – coming to a location near you!

Previously known as the Read & Ring seminar, your Area II Board is planning a summer event that includes the best of the Read & Ring with a few changes that we hope you will enjoy. First, in an effort to bring the event closer to you, we are holding the event in two locations, one in New Jersey and one in Pennsylvania. We have eliminated one overnight in an effort to keep the cost more affordable. This two-day event is designed for the ringer, director, entire choir or several members of a choir. Geared toward teens and adults, attendees will be able to improve their ringing and/or directing skills as they ring in a massed “track” of four sessions and through a variety of class options.

Continuing Education Credits are offered to certified teachers in all three of the area’s states. Vendors, including Jeffers Handbell Services and Raleigh Ringer merchandise, will be available.

Particulars:

- Locations:
 - **Tuesday & Wednesday, August 10 & 11** will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Liberty Corner/Basking Ridge, NJ. Housing at a special rate will be available at nearby hotels. (More details soon.)
 - **Thursday & Friday, August 12 & 13** will be held at The First United Methodist Church in Hollidaysburg, PA (Altoona). Housing at a special rate has been arranged at the Courtyard Marriott in Altoona.
- Yes, the churches are air conditioned!
- Details on registering for your room will be sent to you upon receipt of your registration.
- Day one at both sites will begin with registration at noon with the first classes/tracks beginning at 1:00. The event will conclude at 4:00 on Day 2.
- Both events will include dinner and ice cream “social” on Day 1 and snacks & lunch on Day 2. Breakfast is on your own and available at the hotel.

Clinicians / Faculty:

Both the Tins (level 2/3) and Coppers (level 3/4) tracks will be conducted by Area II’s own Mike Joy. Music will not have to be prepared in advance, but ringers will read and work through the music together from the beginning.

Ringers will receive the music packet for their chosen track at registration. Ringers are responsible for the cost of the packet and will be informed of the cost prior to the event. Donna Kinsey (PA Seminar) and Marilyn Shenenberger (NJ Seminar) will be offering classes that relate to the music for each of the tracks.

In addition, Nancy Lutz is back to teach the Beginner Directors' Track. In a response to your requests, she will also be teaching an Intermediate Directors' Track for directors who are ready for the next level.

Seminar Structure:

All tracks consist of 5 hours of ringing or instruction in all aspects of directing a handbell choir over 4 sessions.

Some of the classes being planned include:

- Treble Bell Techniques
- Rhythm & Movement
- Mallets, Marts & More
- Conducting Advanced Meters
- Reading Sessions
- Roundtable Discussions for Ringers & Directors
- Bass Bell Techniques
- Boomwackers
- Handchimes
- 4-in-hand/Shelley Techniques
- Maintenance Classes
- Reading Sessions of 2011 Festival Music
- Rhythm Games and How to teach rhythm to your ringers
- Ensemble Technique Classes
- Maori sticks
- Achieving Musicality

Private coaching sessions for soloists will be available(see below for fee). Please include the fee with your registration check.

Remember that Area II is able to give continuing education credits to certified teachers in all three of our states: New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania.

Registration Fees: The fee for registrations is as follows:

VV Registrations postmarked prior to June 1st	\$125.00
VV Registrations postmarked June 1 or later	\$150.00
Private coaching sessions for soloists	\$ 25.00

Fees for Vibration Vacation Seminars include all classes and track participation, reading sessions, desserts, snacks, dinner(day 1) and lunch(day 2). Fees do not include the cost of a music packet which is the responsibility of the attendee at time of check-in.

Refund policy: In the event of the need to cancel your registration for the 2010 Vibration Vacation, AGEHR Area II will refund the registration fee *less a \$50 non-refundable deposit* if cancellation is made prior to June 15th, 2010. There will be no refunds after June 15th.

AGEHR Area II 2010 *Vibration Vacation* Seminar

(formerly Read & Ring)

Tuesday, August 10 – Wednesday, August 11, 2010 in Liberty Corner, NJ
 Thursday, August 12 - Friday, August 13, 2010 in Hollidaysburg (Altoona), PA

Registration # _____

Track Request and Bell Assignment Request Form (Please duplicate as needed)

Please complete one form for each person attending a 2010 Vibration Vacation Seminar. (Please type or print clearly)

NAME _____ **AGEHR Membership #** _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ **St.** _____ **Zip** _____

Email Address _____

I will be attending: _____ **Liberty Corner, NJ** _____ **Altoona, PA**
(Select one only. If attending both Seminars, please submit a separate form for each Seminar.)

I. RINGING TRACK SELECTION: Please choose the ringing track that best fits your own needs and ability level. Placement in tracks and bell assignments will be made on a first-come, first-serve basis. For the good of those in the ringing track, please pick the level of music you are able to ring comfortably. Music does not need to be learned in advance, so it is important that you are able to ring at the level you choose. Each track will meet for 4 (four) sessions.

Please check only one track:

- _____ **Tins (Level 2/3) Ringing Track**
- _____ **Coppers (Level 3/4) Ringing Track**
- _____ **Beginning Directors Track**
- _____ **Intermediate Directors Track**

Please send this form to:

Chris Braden
 328 Queens Ct.
 Ridgewood, NJ 07450
bradenc1@aol.com

Music packets for your track may be picked up at Seminar check-in. Registrants are responsible for the cost of the music. (Cost to be determined; you will be notified.)

II. HANDBELL ASSIGNMENT PREFERENCE

Mark your Handbell Assignment preference with your 1st, 2nd and 3rd choices. Indicating just one choice does NOT guarantee you will be assigned those bells.

- Indicate which positions you are willing to ring. Be sure to mark three positions in order of preference. You will be assigned one of these positions if possible. By indicating a position preference you are indicating that you are competent using all handbell techniques for that position.
- The sooner you return the registration form, the more likely you are to get your preferred choice. Your ringing assignment will be confirmed.
- Every attempt will be made to give you your first choice but experience shows that many of you will get your second or third choice. We appreciate your understanding.

HANDBELL ASSIGNMENT PREFERENCE CHART

Please indicate 1st, 2nd, 3rd choice

C3-F3	G3-B3	C4/D4	E4/F4	G4/A4	B4/C5	D4/E5	F5/G5	A5/B5	C6 D6/7	E6/E7 F6/E7	G6/G7 A6/A7	B6/B7 C7/C8

Please indicate your height for placement in a choir (there may be more than one choir for several of the ringing tracks). My height is _____.

Make a copy for yourself of this completed form!