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Dear Handbell Directors and Ringers:

Greetings again from the Board of Directors of the Lansing Area Ministry of Bells! Enclosed are registration materials and information for the 32nd Annual *Spring Ring* on **Saturday, March 12**. If you have any questions or comments, please call LAMB Secretary Lorraine Finison at (517) 321-3221 (home) or 719-2277 (cell); or e-mail [BellGoddess@hotmail.com](mailto:BellGoddess@hotmail.com).

The *Spring Ring* will again be at South Church in west Lansing (Delta Township), but this year we will be in the new chapel. The church is south of Waverly Middle School, just off Snow Rd. on Cornerstone Dr., immediately south of the I-496 expressway.

We will include the schedule for the day in the confirmation letter which will be sent in the beginning of March to registered choirs. Lunch will be "on your own"--there are many restaurants and fast food establishments a few minutes away. On our website, [www.capitalcityringers.com/lamb.htm](http://www.capitalcityringers.com/lamb.htm), you will also find all *Spring Ring* documents in case you need them.

**The deadline for on-time registration is February 28.** Registrations **postmarked** after February 28 will require the late registration fee. On-time registration is **\$15** per person. From February 29 to March 5, late registration will be **\$20** per person. **Please do not wait until the last minute to register.** It helps us plan if we have approximate registration figures early. We have always refunded registration fees if we are notified prior to the date of the *Spring Ring*. And, you may add ringers at the on-time fee at any time (provided your choir's registration was on time, of course!), so don't hesitate! Register **now!**

Please help us to break even on this event by bringing as many from your choir as possible. Please don't feel that you must have your entire choir in order to participate. Each paid attendee helps us to meet our expenses, which are considerable for the conductor, clinicians, musicians and facility rental.

On the registration form, let us know if your choir would like to perform a solo number in the concert. If you or an **advanced** ringer from your choir would like to ring Cathy Moglebust's *Rejoice and Be Glad!* in the Directors'/Advanced Ringers' Double Choir, please indicate that on the registration form.

Our conductor is Rob Meyer-Kukan, the music director at First United Methodist of Dearborn. He is also the founder/instructor at the Healthy Musician Institute, which offers educational opportunities in healthy music making practices by way of anatomical knowledge and awareness, musical training and bodywork. We welcome Rob to the *Spring Ring* podium!

If you do not have your music yet, Jeffers Handbell Supply and other music vendors will have the repertoire available. We are saddened that Susan Berry has closed her Handbell Services store so we will no longer have the opportunity to shop for handbell-related jewelry, apparel, and gift items at the Spring Ring. We do appreciate all the years she brought the store and also conducted for us!

Finally, enclosed is information for you to make available to your ringers and congregation about the *Spring Ring* concert. We would appreciate your including this information in your church newsletter, bulletin, or announcements, or posting it on your bulletin board, as the time nears.

The LAMB Board of Directors

P.S. Remember, we need a LAMB President-Elect! Please volunteer!!