



IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

SOCIETY OF CARILLON ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

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5 STUDENTS TAKE LESSONS AND PERFORM

Dr. Tam gave lessons to the following students this semester:

- Carrie Cunningham, Elementary Education Senior
- Cayla Cunningham, Elementary Education Sophomore
- Mackenzie Dickson, first semester carillon student, Dairy Science Senior
- Nathaniel Han, Computer Science Sophomore
- Erin Reger, Accounting Senior



Front: Nathaniel, Erin, Cayla, Carrie, Mackenzie
Back: Members and Guest of Carillon Foundation

A common site during concerts — students are texting and tweeting, making sure their friends and families are ready to watch on-line, while Dr. Tam monitoring the webcast and provides captions for the concert.



This was Carrie's last concert, as she will be student teaching next semester. She picked out the red shirt with flappy sleeves, so that her arms would look neat while playing.



SUMMER NOON CONCERTS

Noon concerts continue through the summer. Twenty minute concerts will be performed at 11:50 am each weekday.

Summer 2014 dates:

Monday, May 12-
Friday, June 27

Monday, July 7-
Friday, July 11

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ENJOY THE NOON CONCERTS EVERY WEEKDAY 11:50-12:10 ON THE WEB

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FIRST SEMESTER STUDENT: MACKENZIE DICKSON

Everyone at Iowa State knows of the beautiful campanile on central campus that is the postcard perfect place for all events. But few know who plays the carillon each day on campus, and many have never even heard of a carillon. I'll admit, I did not even know. However, I have been involved in music since first grade when I started taking piano lessons. Since then I've always been involved in music, and have learned to play various instruments including saxophone, tuba, and percussion. So, naturally when I learned what a carillon is and that students could take lessons, I immediately wanted to know more. Past carillon player, Rachel Hansen, who knows my brother in Kappa Kappa Psi, a co-ed music service fraternity here on campus, introduced me to Dr. Tam and encouraged me to take lessons. Unfortunately I only took one semester of lessons due to learning about this opportunity during my senior year. Nevertheless, I have

encouraged many other people to check it out because it is an amazing opportunity! Dr. Tam is a wonderful teacher and such a sweet lady. She taught me how to play the carillon, and I learned about history of the carillon and campanile as well. Lastly, she is always there when I need a hug and a smile to cheer me up. I



I am very thankful I had the opportunity to play this beautiful instrument and plan to seek out other carillons while continuing to broaden my music horizons and learn new instruments!

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Four guest Carillonneurs are taking part in the 2014 Summer Carillon Concert Series.

All concerts take place on Central Campus. Bring your lawn chair!



Eddy Marien, from Sint-Romboutstoren in Mechelen, Belgium will perform on Tuesday, June 10th at 7:00 pm.



Lynnette Geary, from Baylor University in Waco, Texas, will perform on Tuesday, August 5th at 7:00 pm.

Andree-Anne Doane, from Saint-Joseph's Oratory in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, will perform on Tuesday, July 8th at 7:00 pm.



Robin Austin, from Thomas Rees Memorial Carillon in Springfield, Illinois, will perform on Tuesday, September 2nd at 7:00 pm.



Programs and artists' information can be found on the carillon website at www.music.iastate.edu/carillon/summerseries/2014/Summer2014.php.

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STANTON MEMORIAL CARILLON FOUNDATION



Foundation Members and guests at this year's meeting

The Stanton Memorial Carillon Foundation was founded in 1954 to further the advancement of the carillon at Iowa State. Today, the board of trustees are made up of descendants of the Knapp and Stanton families and ISU alumni who have an interest in the carillon. The Foundation meets once per year for a business meeting.



At this year's Foundation meeting, Dr. Tam's current carillon students played a concert at noon. Many Foundation members and guests joined the students in the campanile.

Some watched the webcast in the Alumni Center Board room.

After the concert, some students joined Foundation members for lunch. It was a great opportunity for the two groups to interact.



DR. TAM HONORED WITH *TIN-SHI TAM DAY*



Dr. Michael Golemo, Department of Music Chair; Robert Lindemeyer, past president; Dr. Tin-Shi Tam, University Carillonneur; Jennie Gromoll, incoming president; Dick Horton, outgoing president.

Dr. Tam was honored for her 20 years of service as Iowa State University Carillonneur during the Annual Stanton Memorial Carillon Foundation Meeting.

In coming President Gromoll presented Dr. Tam with a commemorative plaque and a clock with a bird from the Foundation. The bird on the clock represented Dr. Tam's struggle to always compete with the sounds of nature during her concerts.



Dr. Golemo presented Dr. Tam with a City of Ames Proclamation making April 21, 2014, *Tin-Shi Tam Day*, in honor of her 20 years of services.



EXCERPTS FROM THE PAST

Instead of Excerpts from the Past, I thought I would share the Vice President's report from the Stanton Foundation Meeting, since it included quite a bit of current history.

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE BELLS OF IOWA STATE

This year marks many important anniversaries of the Bells of Iowa State.

The first, the 115th anniversary of the first 10 bells of the carillon donated in 1899 by Edgar W. Stanton in memory of his first wife, Margaret MacDonald Stanton.

The second, the 85th anniversary of an additional 26 bells given by his children and 2nd wife Julia Stanton at the bequest of Edgar Stanton's will and in his memory. The year was 1929.

The next, this year is the 60th anniversary of the establishment of this Stanton Memorial Carillon Foundation. In 1954, the trustees of the Stanton Memorial Trust joined with others to create the Stanton Memorial Carillon Foundation to further the advancement of the carillon at Iowa State. Two years later in 1956, 13 additional treble bells and a new playing console were purchased by this foundation, bringing the total number of bells to 49 in the Edgar W. and Margaret MacDonald Stanton Memorial Carillon. Eleven years later in 1967, the 50th bell was installed.

This foundation was incorporated under the laws of the State of Iowa on December 31, 1954. However the first annual meeting was not held until April 11, 1955.

The original Articles of Incorporation limited the total number of members to twelve, eight of whom were to be alumni of Iowa State, one to be Treasurer of ISU, one to be Director of Alumni Affairs, and two, to be members of the Governors of the ISU Foundation. In



Vice-President Ellen Hunt giving her report at the meeting.

the year 2000, the Articles were amended to state the 8 (eight) shall be either descendants of the Knapp or Stanton families or be Alumni of ISU. For this amendment, the families are extremely grateful, as it allows us, to stay connected to our past descendants and the Bells of Iowa State.

We are grateful to the many caretakers of the Bells over the years, the University, the ISU Alumni Association, the Music Department, the many individuals who donated, and the class gifts that were given for the renovation in 1994 – 20 years ago. We are grateful for the million dollar endowment that will allow for the campanile to never fall into disrepair again. We are grateful for the carillonneur endowment by the Cownie family and the several carillonneurs who played, instructed, and promoted the bells over the years. We are most grateful for our present carillonneur, Tin-Shi Tam who is also celebrating her 20th year, here at the University, and hope that she will continue for many more.

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ANNOUNCEMENT IN "INSIDE IOWA STATE FOR FACULTY AND STAFF"

Carillon concert is a family affair

By Erin Rosacker

April 10, 2014

The April 14 lunchtime carillon concert will be (almost) all in the family. A trio of siblings comprises half of the carillonneurs that will perform at 11:50 a.m. Monday.

The Cunninghams -- Craig, a 2012 Iowa State biology graduate; Carrie, a senior in elementary education; and Cayla, a sophomore in elementary education -- will share the bench to perform the theme song from the HBO hit series *Game of Thrones*.

"They will play together, sitting on the same bench, sharing the 50 bells and keys ... and will NOT get into a fight," joked ISU carillonneur Tin-Shi Tam.

Senior accounting major Erin Reger, junior computer science major Nathaniel Han and senior dairy science major Mackenzie Dickson also will perform. The concert originally was part of the Veishea lineup, but was moved to Monday when the annual celebration was suspended.

Carillon concert program

Bells of Iowa State, James Wilson

Clock Music, George Frideric Handel

Entrance of the Queen of Sheba, George Frideric Handel

Cortege, John Courter

Fugue, John Courter

Pastel in Bronze, Albert Gerken

Game of Thrones, Ramin Djawadi

Listen in

The 11:50 a.m. **weekday concerts** are webcast live.



ISU carillonneur Tin Shi-Tam, left, with the Cunningham siblings: Carrie, Cayla and Craig.
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