6 STUDENTS TAKE CARILLON LESSONS
The entire carillon class list included all returning students for Fall 2018. A final concert was held in December while the inside of campanile was decorated for the holidays.

Students included:
- Casey Cunningham, senior in Finance
- Macklin Derscheid, junior in Music
- Miranda Tilton, graduate student in Statistics
- Johnathan Germick, senior in Electrical Engineering
- Ola Carnahan, junior in Aerospace Engineering

THE BELLS THAT TOLL
On September 22, Casey Cunningham, president of Student Carillonneur Leadership Council (SCLC) tolled the bells in memory of Celia Barquin Arozamena, an Iowa State University student athlete. She was a Big 12 golf champion and the Iowa State Female Athlete of the Year in 2017.

On November 11 at 11 AM, Casey tolled the bells 21 times for the “Bells for Peace” program, a national tolling of bells to honor those who served in the Great War. An article about the effect of the World wars on the bells of Europe can be found here: https://legionmagazine.com/en/2018/11/the-seizing-of-europes-bells/

SAVE THE DATE
A 120th Anniversary Concert is set for March 2, 2019 at Stephens Auditorium. The concert, as currently envisioned, will include a piece for orchestra and model carillon. Stay tuned for more details.
CAMPANILE-CARILLON PROJECT UPDATES

On October 24, ME415 and ECpE 492 students displayed the campanile-carillon model project at the ISU Extension and Outreach Office Professionals Conference Learning Fair (Iowa State Memorial Union, South Ballroom).

The bells from Meeks, Watson & Company in Georgetown, Ohio are currently still being finished.

FROM: THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING NEWS

Charles E. McCune's (1911 elec engr) notes in a century-old Keuffel & Esser Co. Field Book 360 provide a small glimpse into campus in the early 20th century.

The notebook, recently found at a library book sale in Ohio, features handwritten notes and details and calculations of buildings on the Iowa State campus. McCune took notes of the layout of campus and calculated the height of the Campanile.

Pictured: In McCune’s notebook, he has a section titled “Height of Campanile with Transit,” where he writes, “Oct. 10, 1910 clear – warm.” According to his calculations on these pages, the campanile stands at 112.01 feet; however, the tower is 110 feet tall.
ISU Carillonneur Dr. Tam and her Students Perform in Jefferson

A collaboration between Iowa State and the Mahanay carillon

September 1st, 2018 marked the day of the field trip taken by Dr. Tam and her carillon students to Jefferson, Iowa, to partake in a concert at the Mahanay Memorial Bell Tower. This provided a unique opportunity for the students to perform for an audience on a different carillon.

ORIGIN OF THE TOWER
The Mahanay tower was donated to Jefferson by Floyd and Dora Mahanay.

NUMBER OF BELLS
The Mahanay carillon features 47 bells.

LET THE BELLS RING!
The Mahanay carillon has daily concerts and concerts for holidays, as well as special guests.

The Mahanay Memorial Carillon Tower
Location: Jefferson, Iowa

The bells of the Mahanay Tower
Unlike the Campanile, these bells are on the outside of the tower.

The Mahanay Tower at night
The 168 ft. tower is illuminated at night by 6 flood lights.
A Whole New Instrument to Play

The first concert of its kind, carillon students Casey Cunningham, Johnathan Germick, Macklin Derscheid, and Ola Carnahan performed alongside their professor, Dr. Tin-Shi Tam at a carillon other than the carillon at Iowa State University. Joined by organ aficionado Cavannah Yap, the group drove from Ames that Saturday morning and enjoyed a tour of the Mahanay Memorial Tower before beginning the concert, learning about the history of Iowa’s 4th carillon.

Because this was the first time many of the students had played on a carillon other than the one inside the Campanile. This posed many challenges, as the two carillons are quite different. For starters, the carillon in Jefferson features 47 bells while the one at ISU has 50. In addition, the bells at Jefferson are played electronically via a keyboard while Iowa State’s carillon are controlled manually.

Despite these differences, the concert went off without a hitch. The students from Iowa State were surprised to learn they had an audience as well! Unknown to them, this collaboration had been advertised as a special event in Jefferson and there were quite a few chairs set up in the TJ Gardens across the street.

After the concert there was a small meet and greet between the carillon lovers of Jefferson and the guests from Iowa State, where Dr. Tam and her students were asked questions about carillon playing and their lives at ISU.

“It was our pleasure to host you and your students … The concert was outstanding and our bells sounded so wonderful.” said Peg Raney, Jefferson Matters: Main Street Executive Director. Many hope this collaboration will lead to more in the future, as it is a perfect opportunity to bring people together over the unique music only a carillon can provide.

AT IOWA STATE, THE MODEL CAMPANILE PROJECT CONTINUES

The idea to create a small, portable, playable version of the iconic Campanile is a novel idea. Beginning as a mechanical engineering capstone project for graduating seniors, the project is wrapping up as students work with Dr. Tam on finishing the final touches.

The model Campanile will feature a large screen with which one will be able to follow a “Guitar Hero” like game to play various songs, such as The Bells of Iowa State and the Jurassic Park theme.

Those working on the project hope the model Campanile will help educate people and bring a greater appreciation for the real thing.
ISU carillon students and the Mahanay tower volunteers.

Peg Raney (left) with ISU carillon students and a Mahanay tower volunteer.