## Candidate for Secretary, Sharon Ross

Sharon Ross, who resides in Portland, Oregon, commenced her bell ringing journey in the mid-80s instructed by Shosh Meyer at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Beaverton. She has been an active member of Pacific Ringers since 2014 and has a long-standing musical background as an oboe and English horn player with the Beaverton Symphony. Presently, she is part of an ensemble at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Portland. She has participated in Distinctly Bronze West, Classic Bronze in Alberta and other local events including Coppers Classic and Sequoia Summit in Ashland. The art of bell ringing holds a special place in Sharon's heart due to the meaningful relationships it fosters and the unique bond required among 13 individuals to play a single instrument. For Sharon, music is not only enjoyable but is at its best when shared, and she finds great joy in creating harmonious melodies with the bells.

Having recently retired from a career in healthcare as an occupational therapist, Sharon joined the organizational team for Coppers Classic 2024 in Portland Oregon, directed by Ellie Hodder. Working with the Area 10 board would offer more opportunity to meet bell enthusiasts.

