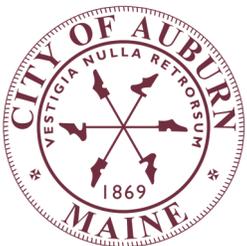
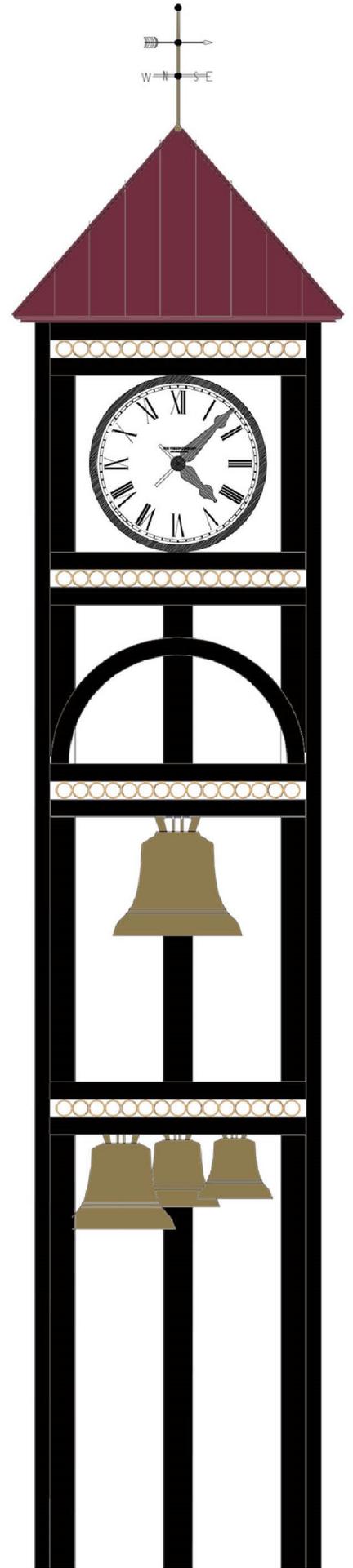


Raising the Bells



Help build a beautiful & permanent home for the Bells of St. Louis Church





In October of 1916, four bells cast in the world-famous Paccard Bell Foundry of Annecy, France, were blessed and raised skyward into the grand gothic tower of St. Louis Church of Auburn, Maine.

The two largest bells were donated by the Provost family, the third by the Dupont family, and the fourth by Rev. Henri Gory, all members of the parish. Perched in the church tower the bells touched the lives of thousands of individuals and families for almost 100 years.

The Catholic Diocese sold the bells when the church was decommissioned, but a small group of local citizens successfully endeavored to keep them. Through the generosity of the community the bells were purchased and preserved. They are local, national and international treasures worthy of preservation and display, and are envisioned to serve generations of the 21st century and beyond as living cultural monuments & world-class heritage-based treasures for the people of Auburn and Lewiston.

For more than two centuries the Paccard name has been synonymous with perfect musicality and impeccable quality. The four Auburn Bells are believed to be the only Paccard Foundry Bells in the entire State of Maine with the sole exception of the treasured Liberty Bell replica which is proudly located on the grounds of the Maine Statehouse in Augusta. Maine's Paccard Foundry Liberty Bell replica was one of 51 cast in 1950 by the U.S. Dept. of the Treasury.

To have four historic Paccard Bells in the Auburn/Lewiston community is a point of great civic pride and speaks to the determination of past generations of Auburn in bringing the only "Best in the World" to our great Maine city! As a community we owe it to past and future generations to save and preserve our world-class heritage pieces.



The 40 foot, 9 inch bell tower has been designed and will be one of the tallest monuments in the State of Maine. The City of Auburn has approved the site; so the next step is to raise the funds to display and maintain the bells forever.

Your tax-deductible gift in ANY amount will help. Donors to this campaign will be recognized on our website: Auburn150.com.

Please consider a gift that will help our community raise the bells!

Yes! I want to help raise the Bells of St. Louis.

Your contribution will be matched by the City of Auburn* and will help us preserve and display our treasured bells. Donors to this campaign will be recognized on website: Auburn150.com

Please accept my tax-deductible gift of \$ _____ in support of the "Raise the Bells" campaign.

Organization _____

Individual/Contact Name _____

Organization Website _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Check attached (please make checks payable to "City of Auburn" and note "Bells" in the memo section)

Please invoice me at the address above

My gift is an "in-kind" donation of goods/services valued at: \$ _____

I would like to pay by credit card:

Name on card _____

Card Number _____

Expiration _____ CVV (3 digit on back of card) _____

Remit this form to: City of Auburn, Attn: City Manager's Office, 60 Court Street, Auburn, ME 04210. Please make checks payable to "City of Auburn."

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* Total match of up to \$100,000