

CHANNELAIRE CHORUS



For women who love to sing in the shower, croon in their car or wonder what it would be like to perform on stage, there is an answer: *Channelaire Chorus*.

Channelaire is an affiliate of *Sweet Adelines International*, one of the largest singing organizations for women with 600 choruses and more than 1,200 registered quartets worldwide. The membership of nearly 30,000 women, all singing in English, includes choruses in most of the fifty United States as well as in Australia, Canada, England, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Japan, New Zealand, Scotland, Sweden, Wales and the Netherlands.

Channelaire's 100 plus women all love to sing harmony "a cappella" (which means unaccompanied by musical instruments). Their repertoire is surprisingly varied with music selections that include American standards, jazz, folk, patriotic, inspirational and show-tunes.

Co-directors, Bobbette Gantz and Judy Ashmore, are award-winning Master Directors within the Sweet Adelines organization, international sound judges, as well as members of the international teaching faculty.

Members are very proud of their success in competing within the *Sweet Adelines* organization, having periodically won regional championships since 1987 and most recently in 2005 and 2007. In 2006 as the reigning regional champions, they competed in Las Vegas, Nevada against 32 other regional choruses earning a 9th place medal. In November of this year, they will again compete at the International competition in Honolulu, Hawaii.

In May of 2007, Channelaire traveled to Japan. The absolute highlight of the nine-day adventure, spearheaded by Channelaire Co-Director Judy Ashmore, was sharing the stage with four Japanese choruses in Tokyo. These lovely ladies welcomed the chorus with signs and banners and lovely origami gifts. After the show in Tokyo, Channelaire traveled by Bullet Train to the Heian Shinto Shrine in Kyoto where they were purified by the priests before performing in the square of the shrine for visitors from all over the world. They even made the local TV news and papers!

Share the love! Since 1962, Channelaire has performed at community events and fund-raisers throughout the County because they enjoy sharing their love of singing and performing! A traveling *Performance Team* is also available for hire and can tailor its show to accommodate small and large settings and vary the length and type of its musical selection to fit most any occasion.

Community outreach: Each summer Channelaire provides a 6 – 8 week workshop for young women of junior and senior high school age to introduce them to "Four Part Harmony". The *Young Women in Harmony* series concludes with a concert for family and friends that showcases the singing talent of the participating young women.



Women who are interested in learning more about becoming members are invited to attend rehearsals, which are held every Tuesday, from 7:15 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. at 701 Del Norte Blvd. #115 in Oxnard, California. For more information on membership or booking a performance of the chorus or one of its several fine quartets, please call :

805-247-1990 or visit our website at
www.channelaire.org.