



## Fact Sheet

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- The Choral-Aires Chorus is a chapter of the Sweet Adelines International.
- The Choral-Aires Chorus was chartered in 1961.
- Nearly 100 women of all ages sing four-part harmony barbershop style in the Chorus.
- All music is sung *a capella* (without instrumentation).
- The Chorus placed tenth at the Sweet Adelines International Competition (Calgary, 2007), out of more than 600 choruses worldwide.
- Director Joan Boutilier sings tenor in the Four Bettys quartet, which is the 2008 Sweet Adelines International Quartet Champions. They won this title at International Competition in Calgary, 2007, out of more than 1,200 quartets registered with Sweet Adelines International.
- A second quartet made up of Choral-Aires Chorus members—Jukebox Quartet—placed tenth at the same competition.
- The entire chorus has placed first at nine regional competitions and won medals at five international competitions in the past decade.
- Performed in Carnegie Hall (New York, NY), McCormick Place (Chicago, Ill.), Wrigley Field (Chicago, Ill.), NBC 5 Jefferson Awards (Chicago, Ill.), WTTW Channel 11 “Arts Across Illinois” (Chicago, Ill.), and many other renowned venues.
- Participated in the “Sing for the Cure” event benefitting the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.
- The Chorus is partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency.
- Member of the Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce.