

The Great Lakes Chorus of Sweet Adelines International was founded 1959 and we perform a variety of new and old tunes in a cappella, four-part harmony, barbershop style. We are semi-professional performers enhanced by lovely costumes, makeup and choreography. Our Master Director is Sylvia Karpinsky of Sterling Heights. We have about 75 active members from our teens to our 70s. We love to perform and share our art form. We sing for conventions, clubs, private parties, businesses, retirement facilities, for students and veterans, festivals and parades. Our members come from about 30 different communities in at least four different counties.



**Border Lakes Region 2 First Place Champions 2009
Sweet Adelines International Competitors Fall 2010**

Rehearsals - 7 p.m. Tuesday
St. Thomas Lutheran Church
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Sterling Heights

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Some recent performances:

SAs nonpartisan entertainers at a rally for former President George W. Bush, the Selfridge Air National Guard Base Air Show Hangar Party, The Fox Theatre before The Rockettes Christmas Show, for other cultural organization's events, American Cancer Society Relay, Oxford Concert in the Park, Detroit Princess Dinner Cruise, SIDS Walk, charity event in Caseville, Mich., the City of Utica Christmas Tree Lighting, the Bath City Festival, Mount Clemens; Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Clinton Township; Temple Israel, West Bloomfield; A Sterling Christmas, Sterling Heights; VFW 1794, Mount Clemens; funeral home candlelight service, Loyalty Day for the Macomb County Veterans of Foreign Wars, Sterling Heights; Warren Cultural Commission, Warren; Senior Expo, Sterling Heights; schools, churches, nursing homes; Sterling Heights Memorial Day parade; food bank fund-raisers Freedom Hill County Park; for Red Hat Societies; for Kiwanis and Rotary clubs; American Houses, hospitals, restaurants, summer concerts, etc.

GREAT LAKES REPERTOIRE: Songs from Broadway musicals like "Phantom of the Opera" and "Hello Dolly" Pop, ballads, Jazz and Swing, upbeat contemporary and familiar music. Also, patriotic, Halloween, Christmas, Valentines, 1950s, '60s and '70s hits and other specialty tunes.

AWARDS AND IMPORTANT PERFORMANCES: Great Lakes Chorus won first-place medals in Michigan/Ontario regional competition 12 times. We've come in the top ten three times in international competition in exciting convention cities like London, England, St. Louis, Phoenix, Las Vegas, Salt Lake City, Indianapolis, Nashville and Honolulu. We will compete in our organization's international contest in Seattle in the fall of 2010.

Places we've been; Things we've done:

PHostesses of 37th Sweet Adelines International competition and convention in Detroit; a 19-day ambassador tour with 50 members visiting the Purlbrook and Coastline Harmony Choruses in England, the Aberdeen Chorus in Scotland and Ysselstein Chorus in Holland, giving classes and shows; a performance in Carnegie Hall, New York City; performance in Washington D.C. for Independence Day Festivities representing Michigan as the "Gerald R. Ford Chorus"; aboard a cruise ship to Bermuda, performing on the ship and at the Goombay Festival. We had a Fourth of July concert tour of Washington, D.C. We placed second (by two points!) in the 2006 Buckeye Invitational. We won first place in our 24-chorus region in the spring of 2009.