



**R10 Contest Highlights:  
WEBCAST:  
SUPER SUCCESS!  
The Ladies:  
Takes R10 1st Place!  
Houston Horizon:  
Wins AA 1st Place!  
A Cappella Unlimited:  
Invited to Harmony Classic!**

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**2018**

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## 57th Annual Convention and Competition Recap

### Recap 2018 Official Judging Panel



Panel Chair: Renée Porzel  
Sound: Ruth Ann Parker  
Expression: Vickie Maybury  
Music: Sharon Babb  
Showmanship: Becky Hine  
Panel Secretary: Cammi MacKinlay

ACJ Music: Kay Bromert  
ACJ Showmanship: Michelle Hunget  
ACJ Expression: Lynda Kupson  
ACJ Showmanship: Sophie Radcliffe

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What an aca-awesome 2018 contest! Our first-ever Webcast was a grand success, we had our SAI President, Patty Cobb-Baker; SAI Past President, Paula Davis; and SAI Lifetime Member, Cheryl Pyle as our webcast hosts. TITANIUM were our Mike Testers! The Ladies, our Quartet Winners, blew us away with their performance and scores – and by the way – they were all Young Women In Harmony members! Houston Horizon Chorus gave an amazing on-stage performance.

Plus, we had our SAI Judge Specialists and ACJ!

Next season we'll be right back at the Houston Hilton where all of our Contest and Convention events are nested under one roof.

The Ladies are the 2018 Region 10 Quartet Champions, earning the Region's highest ever quartet score, with a whopping 646! We are so proud to have had the honor of watching you grow from your start in our Young Women in Harmony program to the impressive women you are today. Go get 'em in St. Louis, girls!



The Ladies



Jamet Burnett, Director of Houston Horizon Chorus

**22,000** Members Worldwide

**550** Choruses Worldwide

**987** Region 10 Members



# 2018 Int'l St. Louis!



## Top 5 Quartets Rank & Score:

- #1 The Ladies 646  
(Performing #21 In St. Louis)
- #2 Essence 616  
(Performing #11 in St. Louis)
- #3 Sheer Bliss 586
- #4 Sympatico 558
- #5 Changed 4 Good 547



*This year's Upcoming International Competition and Convention will be held October 15-20, 2018 in St. Louis!*

# 2019 Int'l New Orleans!



## Top 5 Chorus Rank & Score:

- | Division Overall Rank | Chorus Name                 | Score |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| AA1 01                | Houston Horizon Chorus      | 611   |
| AA2 02                | Grescent City Sound Chorus  | 589   |
| A1 03                 | A Cappella Unlimited Chorus | 588   |
| A2 04                 | Bayou Blend Chorus          | 520   |
| A3 05                 | Piney Hills Harmony Chorus  | 511   |



*The Dead End Show Chorus, 2017 Champions, will be at St. Louis performing #19 in the Chorus Semi-Finals!*



Cappella Unlimited





# Chorus Connection

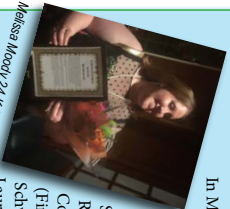
## A Cappella Unlimited

AU enjoyed a nice break after holiday season filled with community performances in San Marcos, Austin, and Wimberley and being featured on the A Cappella Texas chorus show. In January, we had an AU-SOME chorus retreat weekend in Fredericksburg, TX with Joe Cerutti, director of the Alexandria Harmonizers. The weekend was great musical education and loving sisterhood.



AU at Contest for Kids

The following months were filled with creative rehearsals (Thanks Katy Daniel) and more community performances, and of course the Region 10 contest where we won 1st place Division A and 3rd place overall, scoring the highest score in our chorus history. We were most excited to receive the great honor of the Audience Choice award.



Melissa Moody, 24-K-Member

In May, AU was honored to have Ronda Perez of Alamo Metro Chorus preside over the installation of the 2018-19 Management Team at our annual banquet. The new team: Sandy Blevins (Team Coordinator), Rosalind Jones (Communications Coordinator), Kate Hungerford (Finance Coordinator), Jocelyn Schwartz (Membership Coordinator), Laurel McIntyre (Performance Coordinator), Kathy Dane (Music Coordinator), and Melissa Moody (Marketing Coordinator). We were excited at the announcement of Melissa Moody as AU's 2018 24-K Sweet Adeline.

**NEWS FLASH** - AU has qualified and been invited to compete in the Sweet Adeline International 2019 Harmony Classic Division A Competition. What a pinnacle of a great 2017-2018 year.

Submitted by: Roz Jones



AU with Kim Wooders



AU with Mary Ann Wynn



AU with Joe Coull

## Baton Rouge

April and May were busy months for the Baton Rouge Chorus. There were extra rehearsals in April leading up to our joint performance with Bayou Blend Chorus at the



Joint performance with Baton Rouge and Bayou Blend Choruses

Southwest District Convention of the Barbershop Harmony Society on May 5. It was great fun and we really enjoyed sharing the experience with our sisters from Lafayette. Going from the sound created by 22 or so women to around 40 women was exhilarating.

Baton Rouge went into their costume closet and found enough colorful beaded "collars" to allow both choruses to have "matching" costumes. Luckily each chorus has a basic black costume, too.

Two joint rehearsals, one in Lafayette and one in Baton Rouge, allowed the director time to mix members on the risers and put a bit of polish on the performance. It also provided the members with some great post rehearsal bonding time. There is nothing like sharing food, drink and casual conversation to build an esprit de corps. The only drawback to the whole adventure is that we like the feel and sound of this bigger chorus so much it will be sad to let it go.



Installation of Officers

Team elections were held at the end of April, but installation wasn't held until May 10th. Emily Wascome is our new Team Leader. She is joined by Tana Watts, Communications; Pam Baldwin, Finance; Patty Collins, Marketing; and Terry Windom, Membership. Installation was held at Portabello's restaurant and was conducted by Jan Day.

Concurrent with installation was the release of our new website and chorus management software. While there are still elements of the site to tweak it brings some much terrific tools to the chorus and presents a positive face for the chorus.

Submitted by: Tana Watts

## Bayou Blend Chorus

Greetings from Cajun Country and Bayou Blend Chorusi! We have great news for you since the last issue of TTWT. Bayou Blend's new DIRECTOR is DANIEL ZEAGLER! As our Interim Director, he took us to contest in the spring and we placed 2nd in Small Chorus and 4th overall with a score of 520. We were happy to honor MYRA TENER on the Wall of Fame this year at contest. I hope you had a chance to see her card on the WOF boards and read all about what she does for BBC. Bayou Blend was very excited to have not one, but two, quarters from our chorus compete this year at contest. Congratulations to FILE (Corla, Megan, Lynnda, Kate) and IACQ (Sarah, Euna, Marisa, Brandi) on their first time outings!

Our 2018-19 Management Team has just been installed with a unique ceremony and skit written by Carol Broglio. It was called SONG BIRDS NATIVE TO BROUSSARD, LOUISIANA. As you can see in the installation photo, Bayou Blend always has fun with our installations! The group is made up of: Euna Poole, Team Coordinator; Marisa Fontenot, Communications Coordinator; Myra Tener, Financial Coordinator; Carol Broglio, Membership Coordinator; Brandi Aekouy, Music Services Coordinator; Megan Ezell, Marketing/Public Relations Coordinator; and Daniel Zaegler, Director. That same night, BBC's 2017-18 Attendance Award was presented to LYNDA FONTENOT.

Daniel's men's chorus (RED STICK SOUND) hosted the BHS Southwestern District Spring Convention in Baton Rouge the first weekend in May. He put together a combined Sweet Adeline Chorus of Bayou Blend and Baton Rouge members to sing two songs at the Show of Champions. This performance was very well received by all in attendance. Daniel's quartet SHOWPIECE was outstanding and so was his chorus.

Bayou Blend is planning a show this year. You'll be hearing from us in the future about date, place, time, etc.

Submitted by: Karen Bernard



Song Birds native to Broussard, Louisiana



Striking a playful pose at the end of great joint rehearsal and costume check.



## Heart of the Pines

Mid-February, a few members presented learning sessions for some home school children. One for ages 3-5, and another for 6-10. It was such fun interacting with them, teaching musical terms. Then at the end, they sang with us. As a side benefit, one of the moms has since been to rehearsal. Yay.

Heart of the Pines was absolutely thrilled to receive the Most Improved Award at Regional Contest. We had so much fun this year singing with our new members who were formerly Chapter At Large members. Having some experienced singers really helped our group learn more about singing the barbershop style. We have started working on our show to be held Sept. 29, 2018. Be sure to mark your calendars.

The San Augustine Cultural Festival was the scene for a big performance on Main Street. One of our members, Lois Lacy, dressed as her great-great-grandmother who came to the area in 1835 from Conn., lived until 1881, and was quite involved in the town's affairs.

Submitted by: Lorna Laster



# Chorus Connection

## Houston Horizon



### Hello, Region 10!

Houston Horizon was so excited to get to represent Region 10 in New Orleans (September 2019) that we won TWO categories at our Region 10 competition in March! That's right! We took "Double A - First Place" and "First Place Overall," giving us two medals (for the first time), which we proudly wear each week at rehearsal. However, most of our excitement came when we realized that our fabulous director, Janet Burnett, had reached "Master Director" status.



Getting to perform in the Show of Champions, we revealed our "Sentimental Journey" package. Dressing in 40s styles and singing those luscious songs was very exciting. We were thrilled with the great response to our show. Obviously, we love the music from the WWII era, and it was made clear to us, that you do too!

On April 24th, we hosted our First Annual "So You Think You Can Sing" Karaoke Contest. We had seven contestants and several visitors. It was a big success and introduced barbershop to some very talented ladies. Our winners were: Terri B. - winning 3rd place, Kella O. - won 2nd place and Munnachi U. - took home a crown and some cash!

May 1st, HHC had "Guest Night" and three ladies were our guests. Two of these ladies were at the Karaoke Contest the week before!

Houston Horizon is looking forward to the Summer Regional Meeting on June 22-23. Ryan Heller has been our coach several times and, as you know, he's exceptional.

We are working hard on our upcoming annual "Good Time Show" on June 30 at 900 Echo Lane, Houston, TX 77024 at 4:00 pm. Tickets are now on sale at our website, [www.houstonhorizon.org](http://www.houstonhorizon.org).

And "Save the Date" for our Houston Horizon Chorus Reunion for all former members, which will be held September 25, 2018. Please look for our "official" announcement soon!!

We continue to prepare so we can proudly represent Region 10 at International Competition in New Orleans next year.

*Submitted by: Kathy Railey*

## Spirit of SE Texas

### Spirit Sings for Food!

Well, not really, but sort of. Spirit of SPTX is alive and well in the Southeast Texas/Southwest Louisiana area of Region 10. We performed all morning on Saturday, April 21st, at the request of the Martina McBride foundation MUSIC IS LOVE. The foundation, working with ONE GEN AWAY and North End Baptist Church of Beaumont, distributed grocery baskets full of food and diapers for people in the area who still needed assistance following the devastation of Harvey.

The volunteer's spirits were lifted, the recipients waiting-in-line time was lightened, and our chorus's hearts were warmed by joining music to the morning. We were joined by Center Stage Quartet who traveled down the waiting line to entertain folks further away from the singing area.

Our chorus was blessed to be a blessing that day spreading the joy of music to everyone.

*Submitted by: Jeanne Evans*



## Southern Accapella Sound

Interim Director Karla Callaway led SASAC to competition stage for the first time ever! The experience was exhilarating! Thank you, Karla! After six months of intensive vocal training focusing on the amazing things singers were doing RICHT, and un-learning things that were not serving us so well, enthusiasm is at an all-time high. With the love and support of amazing Region 10 leaders and friends, SASAC is poised to grow musically and in number. We invite ANY singers to join us as dual members, since we are still learning, and need voice parts!

SASAC has not recently sung out in our community except for Christmas Events at the Biedenharn (<http://www.bhnmuseum.org/about-us>). Co-Assistant Directors, Candice Bassett and Bobbie Morris, assist long-distance Interim Director Karla. Recently, Teresa Howard stepped up when Bobbie moved to Texarkana to work.



SASAC welcomed members this year:

Ava Miller, Bobbie Morris, Karla Callaway, Kathy Parker, Mariys Nelson, Dian Sandifar, Mary Katherine Humphries, Teresa Howard, Karla, Kathy, Mariys, and Diane were SASAC's first dual members EVER! The barbershop harmony has grown exponentially! Other chorus members are: Ashley Lenard, Candice Bassett, Charlene Amorella, Connie Carr, Dottie Smith, Jan Lenard, Lillian Brown, Monica Taylor, and Nancy Blackwell. Successful marketing included a two-page spread in a local publication, Ouachita Living, Ark-La-Miss advertising, and a "Shop and Sing" booth at RiverMarket Community Days event on May 19, 2018. Increasing awareness resulted in a visitors and potential members! [PHOTO] You never know what simply "being out there" can do for your chorus (and Sweet Adelines). There are lots of women who NEED what Sweet Adelines offers: friendship, vocal education, opportunities to sing, challenges, growth, and best of all, a network of amazing women to share life with! Barbershop Harmony - live and in person - you just gotta hear it!

*Submitted by: Nancy Blackwell*



## Alamo Metro



AMC has been quite busy since we saw you all at Regional contest. In early April, a small group performed at the Lutheran Coronation of the Court of the Jewels of San Antonio. It was a dazzling event as we were surrounded by elaborate, glittering hand beaded gowns and trains worn by the Royal Court. Next on our calendar was our annual Installation Dinner held at the Officer's Club on Randolph AFB. We enjoyed a wonderful meal, installed our Management Team Officers and topped off the night with a fun dance party! We were invited to entertain the constituents of District 8 at a picnic hosted by our Mayor, Ron Nirenberg. We performed for the 20th anniversary of the Ronald McDonald House, which is AMC's official charity. We are honored to have been asked to sing at the Ft. Sam Houston Cemetery Memorial Day ceremony. This is one of our favorite performances and we feel privileged to honor those who gave their lives for our country. We will be coaching with Ryan Heller again in June and are busy working on contest music for International! We are so excited to be representing Region 10 as a Wildcard competitor!!!

*Submitted by: Lisa Deiser*

**KEEP CALM AND SING YOUR HEART OUT**





# Chorus Connection

## Sparkling City

Congratulations to the Ladies, Houston Horizon and A Cappella Unlimited on their well-deserved first place performances! We are so proud to be a part of this talented region!

Life after contest has been as busy as ever. We started out in April by hosting a guest night. Currently we have two prospective members (a lead and a bass) and are hopeful of making them a permanent part of the chorus. Also, we've been making some other changes in parts and placement in an effort to make the most of our small chorus.

The chorus has been brushing up our repertoire music that was put on a back burner while we worked on contest music. We've also been working on new music and are having a lot of fun learning new choreography.

Like the rest of you, we've had our annual elections and installed a new board. This year, the new board and officers are the same as last year with Ariana Appleby serving another term as president.

This month some of the chorus members were able to participate in the local PBS station fund raiser by answering the phone. This is a great way to get the chorus involved in the community. Also, again this year, our group was well represented by Just Jammit quartet (comprised of Marge DeWitt, Nancy Hutton, Kathy Lidenfeld and Nancy Burditt) as they sang the National Anthem at a recent Hooks baseball game. For those of you who are unaware, the Hooks are a feeder team for Houston Astros and it is quite an honor to be invited to sing. We are so proud of our chapter quartet! See you in June!



## Sugar Land Sound

Sugar Land Sound Chorus had a wonderful Christmas season this year! Once again, we invited singers to join us as "Christmas Elves" and we had more join us this season than any previous. Some "Elves" were even back for their second year! We sang at more events this year than in past year and sang all the way to the week before Christmas! What fun!

A couple of new events for us during the Christmas season were Sugar Land Holiday Lights at Constellation field and a fundraiser offer from Mama P's restaurant. We sang previously for Mama P's grand opening in October and were thrilled to be asked back for this fundraising opportunity. We definitely had some new and unique singing experiences this year. We also had two quartets, "Sugar Life" and "Sugar Rush" form from our choruses, and "Sugar Life" sang at some events in December!

In February, we sang some "love songs" we had learned for a Valentine banquet. This expanded our repertoire, and we look forward to more opportunities with these new songs. Thank you, Holly!!

In June we will once again sing at a Skeeter's game at Constellation field. We performed at a Skeeter's game last summer and attracted a new member! It is quickly becoming one of our favorite places to sing!

Contest season was fun once again, especially seeing all our friends from so many choruses in Region 10! Looking forward to seeing you all again in June at the next regional meeting!

*Submitted by: Camie Singleton*



## The Woodlands Show Chorus

Greetings to you all! Spring is a very busy time of year.

Since our regional competition in March, TWSOC performed twice: once for the National Barbershop Day, and once for the Waterway Arts Festival in the Woodlands. The Houston area gathering of barbershop choruses (and quartets) was hosted by TWSOC on the north side of Houston. There were 4 women's choruses that performed and 3 men's choruses, plus a good handful of quartets. We had a fun, music-filled evening of sharing our music and getting acquainted with each other.

As you might guess, TWSOC is deeply involved in preparation for competing in St. Louis in

October. In the past couple of months, we have enjoyed being coached by Jim Arms and Dale Swenson. You guessed it - they both provide lots of education that requires our motivation and just a tad bit of perspiration. The plan: to keep moving forward!!

One of our biggest annual fundraisers took place the first week in May. We provided the woman-power to run the 19th hole beverage-and-food tent for the Insperty Invitational Golf Tournament. It was "all hands on deck" to

cover the 60+ shifts we committed to do. We had a lot of fun, enjoyed getting to know each other better, and even practiced some choreo on the side! All this took place while earning a goody sum of money for the chorus. Hoping to see you at the June regional meeting!

*Submitted by: Jane MacKenzie*



## Chisholm Trail

Chisholm Trail Chorus has had a busy spring after contest and we are working on making the summer a fun filled exciting one as well. In March, we installed new member, Bonnie MacKenzie, who is a snow bunny from upper state New York. She has returned to New York and is on leave until September, but we are looking forward to having her on the risers with us once again. We currently have a guest who is beginning the audition process and has just moved to the area. In April, the chorus had a rummage sale as a fundraiser. We hadn't had one in 5 years and were pleased at how smoothly it went. Everyone worked putting it all together and helping customers find just what they needed. We laughed and enjoyed the event very much. New officers were elected in April and a new budget approved. We are ready for the coming new year.

May 6th the Chorus had a "Harmonies and Sweets" tea at the Wildflower Country Club in Temple, Texas. It was a lovely event with vendors, door prizes, and the Chorus performed as well. Everyone enjoyed the day. Our Chorus board installation is slated for June 7th with Region 10 Finance Coordinator, Cheryl Pyle, as guest speaker. It will be a pot luck dinner and we are all looking forward to the event. We are looking forward to the Regional Event in June with Ryan Heller and will be attending.

Our summer will be filled with many dates for performing at assisted living facilities and nursing homes. In July we will be performing in Georgetown where 5 of our members live. In August, Molly Hoffman, will be coming for our retreat and will be coaching us for two days. The Chorus, as always, is working on new music, including Christmas songs for performances in December. If you are visiting in the area this summer, please drop in one of our rehearsals and enjoy the summer festivities. We meet on Thursday evenings 7-10 pm at the Cultural Activities Center, Temple, Texas. Everyone have a great summer!

*Submitted by: Kaye Pledge*



*Spilling glasses at the sign hole during the Insperty Tournament!*



## Piney Hills Harmony

Piney Hills Harmony is rocking this spring and summer - and already looking toward winter.

Beginning May 17, the chorus began four Thursday nights designated as "Camp Solid Rock." These great nights offer participants the chance to learn two gospel songs with the chorus. Then July 12, four additional guest nights will focus on rock 'n' roll - with "Camp Rock."

Additionally, we'll be dreaming of snowflakes during these hot Louisiana days as we learn music for our Dec. 15 Christmas show.

May 10 brought a great night of officer installation and a goal-setting session with Dr. Marcia Simmring Dickerson, a Louisiana Tech professor of management and owner of Dickerson Management and Career Counseling. Officers are Judy Sisson, president; Carol Ogle, vice president; Jenay Lenard, secretary; and Loretta Rote, treasurer. Other board members: Sheila Carothers, Donna Fike, Lisa Holmes and Terri Mahoney.

We're also enjoying the addition of Candice Bassett as a "full-time" dual. She initially joined us onstage during regional competition. Her primary chorus is Southern A Cappella Sound.

Following competition, we had fun during our "Heavy Metal Party," celebrating third-place small-chorus honors and fifth place overall. Contest also brought the opportunity to recognize Lisa Holmes on the Wall of Fame.

New PHH members: Candice Bassett (dual)



*Carol Ogle (far left) affixes an angel pin on new "full-time" dual member Candice Bassett during her singing. And although Carlyn Anne-Griffin (second from right) joined our ranks before competition, she wasn't officially sing in until our after-contest party when she was welcomed by Secretary, Terri Mahoney and President, Judy Sisson.*

*Submitted by: Sallie Rose Hills*

# Quartet Connection

## The Ladies

A big hello from The Ladies to our wonderful Region 10 Family! It is an incredible honor that we have the opportunity to represent Region 10 in Saint Louis this October. We are SO happy to be a part of a region full of such kind, loving, supportive, innovative, and diverse women. We couldn't be happier that Region 10 is our home! There is so much happening between now and October—here's a little bit of what has been, and what is to come!

Since Regional in March, we have truly become a long-distance quartet. Kim made her move to Indianapolis, Indiana to be with her boyfriend, Kohl, and take on new musical adventures. She is the brand-spanking new director of Capital City Chorus. We are so proud of her! By the end of the summer, we will be living in 4 different states, California, Texas, Tennessee, and Indiana.

We absolutely love singing together, and are always accepting show bids, and opportunities to teach and share our love of music. Being long distance ALSO means that our performance weekends double as rehearsal time, so here are some of the rehearsals/teaching opportunities/harmony camps/conventions/performance we have this summer:

- May 12 - Combined concert with Pratt Street Power for the General Assembly Chorus in North Carolina
- June 15 - Caroline Gets Hitched to the love of her life!
- June 22-24 - Summer Regional
- July 2-7 - BHS International Competition in Orlando, FL - We are teaching a Master Class for the Harmony University portion of the convention!
- July 11-14 - Harmony Explosion Camp in Indianapolis, IN - Serving as the teaching quartet for the Girls Chorus
- July 30- August 3 - The Ladies Lake trip in Ann Arbor, MI - Relaxing, and starting to record our first CD!
- August 3-5 - Top of the Rock show in Little Rock, AR
- August 24-26 - Youth Camp in Tulsa, OK

We appreciate all of your love and support, to keep tabs on what we are doing or to just say, "Hello!" please head to [facebook.com/theladiesquartet](https://www.facebook.com/theladiesquartet) or our website, [TheLadiesQT.com](http://TheLadiesQT.com).

Yours for a song,  
Quinnie, Caroline, Kimberly, Ashley  
- The Ladies

Photo by Laura DeGraw Photography



## Fleur de Lis

WOW what an amazing contest weekend, congratulations to all the competitors. Our sincere thanks to the audience not only because you rewarded us along with The Ladies.

with the Audience Choice award your encouragement during our performance was just the "cats mowwwwwww". We appreciate the love and support of our coaches, our Chorus: Crescent City Sound, and our families who had to watch our cat metamorphosis... we appreciate your patience. We are very busy working on next year's package which promises to be as much fun and entertaining as this year... stay tuned (no pun intended).

We also have had the pleasure of introducing our beautiful art form through performance and education to a wonderful lady's musical appreciation club in Brookhaven Ms. We hope we opened the door to a future chorus in Ms, and look forward to being invited to perform as well as assist in bringing Sweet Adeline's back to Ms. We also were excited to demonstrate and perform as well as teach the art of Barbershop for the middle school at Sacred Heart Academy in New Orleans. The kids were very enthusiastic and receptive as we all sang chords together. Looking forward to taking advantage of performing, demonstrating, and teaching our beautiful art form to as many groups as possible. Winning with one song at a time. Much love and peace to all our ladies in song - music brings joy, it's simply what the world needs the most. Our prayers to all of you in Texas... to everything there is a season.

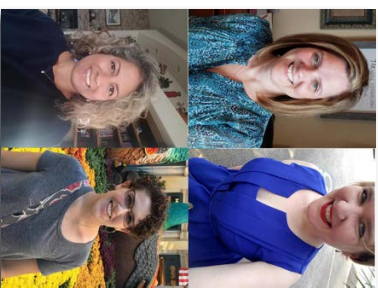
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## Sheer Bliss

Hello from Sheer Bliss! We have two new faces and voices to share with you! Chelsea Berkowitz joined us in March, just after contest. She is an accomplished musician and great bass singer with Alamo Metro Chorus. Dian Sandefur joined us days ago! She is a great tenor with The Woodlands Show Chorus, where she is also an assistant director and section leader. We are becoming fast friends already and enjoying the music we sing. Check out and "like" our Facebook page! We'll be in Houston, for the Summer Regional Meeting and would love to sing for you!

See you soon!  
Dian, Ellen, Bebe and Chelsea  
Sheer Bliss Quartet

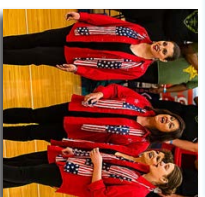


## AHHA



AHHA has been together for about three years now, the first two trying to work up the nerve to enter contest! We had sung at a lot of other events, our favorite singing patriotic songs for Wreaths Across America at the Austin State Cemetery next to Governor Abbott. It's a privilege being invited to participate in the ceremony to honor our fallen veterans. We also enjoyed singing at various nursing homes in the area, as well as performing as a quartet in our chorus holiday show. But it was still nerve-wracking getting on that stage for Mock Competition! Since we made it through without any embarrassing losses of consciousness (or lunch!), it was time to move to the next level, and we excitedly prepared for the actual competition stage. With the help of amazing coaches, AHHA took 12th place out of a field of 19 quartets, not bad for our first time, considering the quality of the other quartets in Region 10! Even better was singing in choruses' hospitality suites after competition was over. That was what spurred us on to become a quartet in the first place, and it was a blast! Looking forward to next year.

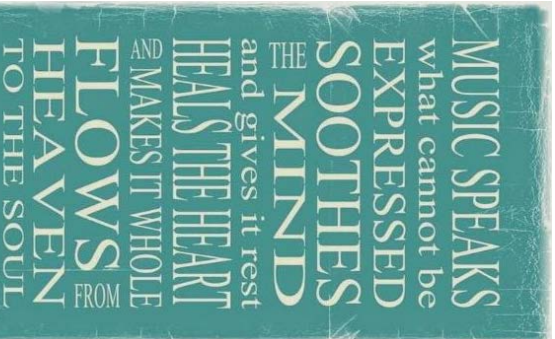
Submitted by: Carolyn Bottomley



## Filé Quartet

Filé Singing National Anthem at a benefit for a fallen police officer Saturday May 19th.

Photo: Filé Quartet with substitute tenor Beaux Fisher





# Young Women In Harmony



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- #region10deal
- #harmonizetheworld
- #barbershopharmony
- #acappella
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- #showchoir
- #evergreenharmony
- #choralmusic
- #elsterhood
- #wearewestadelines
- #connectingwithus

**The Young Women in Harmony program, sponsored by Sweet Adelines International, reaches out to young women through the American musical art form of barbershop harmony.**

Our goal is to provide educational and performance opportunities through music festivals, contests, and events sponsored locally, regionally, and internationally.

Additionally, the program offers to music educators a means of including the study and performance of barbershop harmony in school music programs.



**2018 RISING STAR QUARTET COMPETITION ORDER OF APPEARANCE**

**RISING STAR '18 QUARTET CONTEST**

Region 10 wishes you all Good Luck!

1. Atomic Quartet
2. Perfect Fourth Quartet
3. Valkyries Quartet
4. Nothin' but Treble Quartet
5. Viva la Música Quartet
6. Undeniable Quartet
7. Bombshell Quartet
8. Effervescence Quartet
9. Blaze Quartet
10. Perpetual Sound Quartet
11. Mirror League Quartet
12. Belle Tones Quartet
13. You Bet Quartet
14. Grace Notes Quartet
15. Hot Pursuit Quartet

We are so excited for our three quartets: Grace Notes, The Belle Tones and Mirror League and ready to cheer on all 15 Rising Star 2018 hopefuls this year in Tulsa on August 10th. Go get 'em, girls!



The Belle Tones



Grace Notes



Mirror League

## Chorus Hosted Events for YWIIH!

**Young Women in Harmony Festival**

**8 Day of Barbershop Fun! Performance!**

Acappella, Duetting, Solo, Group Adelines, International!

Join us for a weekend of fun with the best talent, workshops and performances!

Location: The Sheraton Hotel, 1455 S. 15th St., Tulsa, Oklahoma

For more information, contact: [www.ywiihfestival.com](http://www.ywiihfestival.com)

Cost: \$100 (includes room, board, and festival materials)

Check out this fun event hosted by Texas Harmony Chorus, located in the greater Dallas/Fort Worth metropolitan area!

**PITCH CAMP**

Hosted by Cresset City Sound

Location: Cresset City Sound, 1400 S. 15th St., Tulsa, Oklahoma

For more information, contact: [www.cressetcitysound.com](http://www.cressetcitysound.com)

Cost: \$100 (includes room, board, and festival materials)

Check out this fun event hosted by Texas Harmony Chorus, located in New Orleans!

Your Education Team brings fabulous, world-renowned clinicians to our own Region 10 for three wonderful weekends of additional vocal and performance training, just for YOU. If you miss out, you miss a lot!

## Summer Regional Meeting - Who were you?

**SUMMER REGIONAL MEETING WITH RYAN HELLER**

Houston, Texas

June 22-23, 2018

Ryan Heller was a whirlwind of infectious laughter, fun, and some serious learning! Can a song that has seven key changes be learned and performed within 24 hours? You bet!

Photos and Live Streaming during SRM by Laura DeGraw



Red Chorus with Ryan Heller and Kayl Dene.



Ryan Heller with Essence Quartet.



Blue Chorus with Ryan Heller and Stivie Nigant.

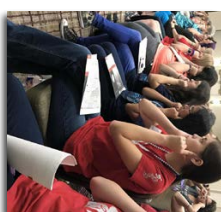
**Red or Blue,**

## YWIH at RIO Events!

Take Note is learning techniques from dindan Ryan Heller while attending RIO Summer Regional Meeting.



Tenor Sectional with Quince Smith of The Ladies.



Bass Sectional with Ashley Brookman of The Ladies.



# Historian Update

## Historian Update from 2017 Competition and Planning Ahead for 2018 Competition Scrapbook Contest & Wall of Fame

Congratulations to winners of the 2017-2018 Scrapbook Contest: 1st – The Woodlands Show Chorus; 2nd – Sparkling City Chorus; and 3rd – Chisholm Trail Chorus. I want to extend a sincere thank you to the seventeen (17) choruses that participated this year. Eighteen (18) choruses submitted entries on the 25th Annual Wall of Fame. It's hard to believe

that Region 10 has been having a Wall of Fame for 25 years! WOF honorees are named in the box to your right. It was wonderful to see everyone looking through all of the albums and scrapbooks at our 57th competition! Take some time to look at these at regional meetings and at contest and learn more about the 57-year history of our region. There are FREE chorus and quartet photos in the Historian's Display at most regional functions.

**PHOTOS NEEDED:** Do you know anyone who has pictures of Mission Belle from 1962 & 1964 competitions and a photo of Big "D" Chorus from

1963? Small Chorus Winners still needed are: Greater Dallas from 1972 - Joyce Wilkins, Director; and the winning chorus from 1979 (I don't know the name of the chorus). Any help will be appreciated!

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## 25th ANNUAL WALL OF FAME

Rosellid Jones – A Cappella Unlimited  
Kathy Dickinson – Alamo Metro  
Dalia Gronbach – Austin Harmony  
Pat Hegwood – Azalea City Harmony  
Molly Manson – Baton Rouge  
Myra Tener – Bayou Blend  
Sheila Donahue – Chisholm Trail  
Sue Englebert – Crescent City Sound  
Laurie Hurst – Houston Horizon  
Eve Buckler – Lone Star  
The Entire Lone Star Chorus – Lone Star  
Catherine Flannery – Magic Valley  
Lisa Holmes – Piney Hills Harmony  
Nancy Blackwell – Sparkling City  
Nancy Hutton – Sugar Land Sound  
Melissa Bailey – Texas Harmony  
Lynn Poston – The Woodlands Show  
Janene Osina – The Woodlands Show

## RMTM Team Notes

I am so excited to take over the reins of the Region 10 Management Team as your Team Coordinator. We have an excellent team of ladies who have already met to begin planning events for the coming year. Our June Regional meeting will feature Ryan Helder as our guest faculty. You won't want to miss this dynamic director and coach. There will be five of the regional team traveling to St Louis and will be engaged in meetings on Sunday and Monday before competition begins. We know we will have many good things to bring back to our region and begin implementing for the future.

Congratulations to each Chapter's new leaders whether your function as a board or management team. You are to be commended for your willingness to serve and lead your choruses. I look forward to working with each of you in the coming year. Congratulations also to the contest steering committee on another successful contest. Again, we were fortunate to have the judge specialist panel and the trial judges with us. Congratulations to the people behind the scenes who made our First Contest Web-cast possible and such a huge success. Thank you, Cheryl Pyle, our contest coordinator; Paula Davis, past president of SAI, and Patli Cobb Baker, current president of SAI, for agreeing to host the web-cast. What a fine job they did in promoting Region 10. Congratulations to the Woodlands Show Chorus and Alamo Metro Chorus who will be representing Region 10 at the 2018 International competition in St Louis, MO in October. Congratulations to "The Ladies" quartet for their winning performance in the regional competition. They will be representing us in St Louis. Along with them, our second-place quartet "Essence" has qualified as a Wild Card contestant and will represent us as well. WAY TO GO!

We are so fortunate to have "Houston Horizon" representing Region 10 in the 2019 International competition in New Orleans, LA. We also learned this week that "A Cappella Unlimited", our small chorus division Champion, was selected as a Wild Card to compete. Congratulations to both choruses.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you for the next 2 years as your team coordinator for Region 10.  
Kaye Pledge  
Team Coordinator, Region 10



*We are always looking for the next team members. If you have ever considered getting involved check these links:*  
[www.region10sa1.org/wmp-content/uploads/resources/regional-sai/RMTM\\_job\\_Description\\_Bullet.pdf](http://www.region10sa1.org/wmp-content/uploads/resources/regional-sai/RMTM_job_Description_Bullet.pdf)  
[www.region10sa1.org/wmp-content/uploads/resources/regional-sai/RMTM-App2012.pdf](http://www.region10sa1.org/wmp-content/uploads/resources/regional-sai/RMTM-App2012.pdf)

*Submitted by Kaye Pledge*



Your 2018 RMTM Team: Back row left to right: Cheryl Pyle, Sue Englebert, Denise Flynn, Euna Poole, Laura DeGraw, front row left to right: Mary Beth McLurey, Kaye Pledge, Marilyn Turner. Photo by Laura DeGraw

## RMTM 2018

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*Elect – Team begins even years*

## Save the Dates!

**September 14-15, 2018**  
FALL REGIONAL  
Guest Faculty:  
Lori Lyford  
Location TBD

**October 15-20, 2018**  
2018 INTERNATIONAL  
COMPETITION  
01 Convention Plaza  
St. Louis, Mo 63101

**January 18-19, 2019**  
WINTER REGIONAL  
Guest Faculty:  
Vickie Maybury  
Location TBD

**March 21-24, 2019**  
2019 REGIONAL  
COMPETITION  
Hilton North Houston  
12400 Greenspain Dr.  
Houston, TX 77060

**June 21-22, 2019**  
SUNDAY REGIONAL  
Guest Faculty: The Ladies  
Location TBD

**September 16-21, 2019**  
2019 INTERNATIONAL  
COMPETITION  
1501 Dave Dixon Drive  
New Orleans, LA

Have a song in your heart and a story to share? Communicate with Region 10! Send your submission to: Euna Poole, Region 10 Communications Coordinator [EW@region10sa1.org](mailto:EW@region10sa1.org).

