

Sweet Adelines International



Spirit of the Midwest, Region 5

**Spirit of the Midwest - Region 5
44th Annual Competition/Convention
April 4-6, 2019
Cedar Rapids, Iowa**

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**The 44th Annual Competition
Paramount Theater**

Schedule of Events

Thursday, April 4 2019

7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. 5 Star Society Reception for Quartets (DoubleTree Taft A)

8:45 p.m.- 9:15 p.m. Quartet/Chorus Briefing (DoubleTree rm 310)

8:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m. 5-Star Society Rehearsal (DoubleTree Taft A)

Friday, April 5, 2019

9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Boutique Open (DoubleTree Taft B)

9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Region 5 Information Desk Open (DoubleTree Taft A/B)

9:30 a.m.- 10:30 a.m. Official Inspection (Judging Panel) Quartet Mic-Testers (Paramount)

10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Quartet Walk-Throughs (Paramount)

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.5 Star Society Rehearsal (Paramount)

1:00 p.m.– 1:30 p.m. Pre RAMM-event Class Ring teaches One Song at a Time (DoubleTree Taft A)

1:30 p.m.- 3:00 p.m. RAMM meeting (DoubleTree Taft A)

3:15 p.m. Box Office opens (Paramount)

3:45 p.m. Webcast begins/ Curtain Call

4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Quartet Contest (Paramount)

Saturday, April 6, 2019

8:00 a.m.-12:00 pm Boutique Open (DoubleTree Taft B)

8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. YWIH Rehearsal (DoubleTree room TBA)

8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Flat Floor Rehearsals/Warm ups (DoubleTree and Marriott)

11:15 a.m. Box Office opens (Paramount)

11:45 a.m. Webcast begins/Curtain Call

12:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m. Chorus Competition followed by Show of Champions (Paramount)

8:00 p.m.-12:00 p.m. DoubleTree Hospitality rooms, Cash bar

9:00 p.m.- 12:00 p.m. Join in the celebration of Jeri and Bev's retirement!

Hosted by City Voices and Metro Mix Choruses

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Did you know

Website for regional competition:

www.sairegion5.org/competition.html

Host Chorus: Vocal Standard Chorus

2018 Region 5 Chorus Champions

All Events Passes Chair: Mary Kammeyer

Chapter-at-Large, non-members and other region guests can purchase their AEP or Single Event Passes using a check by downloading the order form and following directions on the form. If you have questions, please contact Mary Kammeyer by email (mary.kamm@yahoo.com) or text (319-231-4946).

The link for the Order form is: <http://www.sairegion5.org/competition/forms.html>

Completed electronic forms can be emailed to: Region5AEP2019@gmail.com

Checks with hard copy forms mailed to: Pat Kies
2425 S.W. Sampson Road
Lees Summit, MO 64082

Chapter-at-Large, non-members and other region guests can purchase their AEP or Single Event Passes using a credit card at Brown Paper Tickets: <https://2019reg5contest.brownpapertickets.com>

The Brown Paper Tickets (BPT) website is accessible via computer, tablet or mobile device. Please note that using an iPhone or Android device may require you to establish an account with BPT. Therefore, using computer or tablet is recommended.

AEP or Single Event Passes purchased via BPT will be subject to a service charge.

AEP and Single Event Passes will be available via BPT until the date of the event.

To purchase Single Event Passes for Chorus Contest, change the date to Saturday, April 6 in the drop-down box on the BPT "Get Tickets" page.

**Registration Deadline
March 4**

AEP Prices are as follows:

Member and non Member Directors: \$70.00

Non-Members: \$80.00

Youth (13- 25 yrs. old): \$35.00

Children under 12: Free

Single Event Passes:

Quartet Contest \$35.00

Chorus Contest \$45 (includes Show of Champions)



Housing

Chair Judy Kaeser

Official hotel headquarters: DoubleTree, 350 First Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401.

Additional housing: Marriott, 1200 Collins Rd NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402.

All competitors are expected to stay at the hotels Friday and Saturday nights. Our overall occupancy and cost savings depend upon your reservations.

Choruses - Room request forms have been mailed out to each chorus housing coordinator and Chapter at Large Members. This form must be returned to Judy Kaeser, Regional Housing Chair.

Quartets - You may make your room reservations with your chorus.

All room changes/cancellations/additions must come through the Region 5 housing chair Judy Kaeser no later than **February 20, 2019**. Please type your chorus/quartet name in the "RE:" line of your emails so your information can be located quickly. **Click the link below for housing description and instructions**

<http://www.sairegion5.org/competition/hotel-information.html>

The housing form to be completed for each chorus can be found at:

http://www.sairegion5.org/docs/2019_Comppetition/2019-housing-form.xlsx

Marriott

For guests staying at the Marriott, parking at the Marriott is free all weekend. One Parking voucher per room will be provided for free parking at the DoubleTree on Friday which will allow attendance to the RAMM, Boutique and Quartet Contest.

HOSPITALITY ROOMS must be reserved directly through the DoubleTree. Contact Travis Faust at Travis.Faust@Hilton.com or (319) 731-4514. Hospitality rooms are reserved for 24 hours, so if you want the room past midnight for afterglow celebrations, reserve and pay for an additional day. Rates are:

- Room Rental: \$50-250 per day (depending on size of room and how long the room is needed)
- Breakfast Menus: \$18-24 per person (Before Service Charge and Tax)
- Lunch Menus: \$20-25 per person (Before Service Charge and Tax)
- Dinner Menus: \$28-50 per person (Before Service Charge and Tax)
- Reception Menus: \$7 on up, per person (Before Service Charge and Tax)

Saturday night we will have three cash bars set up outside the rooms. Any adult beverages in the rooms must be purchased through the hotel.

All Choruses are free to do what they would like with regard to having their own party or hospitality room.

Parking

DoubleTree

DoubleTree Parking: \$.75 per hour, with the first hour free, if paid at the Parking Garage. The maximum parking charge is \$17.25 for 24 hours. Parking charges can be added to their guest room bill, at check-in for a discounted parking rate of \$12.00 for 24 hours. The charge for Valet Parking is \$25 for 24 hours (guests who valet park have in-and-out privileges during their stay.)

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Transportation Chair Elizabeth Hancock

We are lucky that the Paramount is .3 of a mile from the DoubleTree Hotel.

Friday

The Quartet pattern will begin at the Double Tree.

Transportation will be limited to Shuttling the Competing Quartets between the DoubleTree and the Paramount Theater. The Pattern will begin at the DoubleTree for all competitors. Limited shuttling will be available after the contest

Saturday


Shuttles will run for competitors between the Marriott and DoubleTree to the Paramount, and will be available for 30 minutes after the Show of Champions or until all competitors have been shuttled back to their respective hotels.

**Region 5
Young Women In Harmony Chorus**

SATURDAY APRIL 6TH, 2019
PARAMOUNT THEATRE
CEDAR RAPIDS, IA

CLINICIANS WILL BE OUR NEWLY CROWNED
2019 QUEENS OF HARMONY

Class Ring



Open to all females 25 and Under
Rehearsal will be Saturday April 6th 8-10am at the Doubletree Hotel in Cedar Rapids, IA
Performance will be Saturday evening immediately following the
Region 5 Sweet Adeline Chorus Contest
at the Paramount Theatre

Registration is FREE and includes music and learning tracks!
To register or for more information
Email dennerlymartinez@yahoo.com

Show of Champions Chairs: Gena Sommer and JoEllyn Welch

The Show of Champions will be held after chorus competition. First, second and third place quartet winners will perform along with first place A and AA and Overall chorus winners.

Please plan to stay, relax and celebrate with your fellow competitors. Make your dinner reservations for a later time than usual. Concessions will be available at the Paramount to "hold you over" until the show is finished. Stay Tuned For more information in the next bulletin!

Webcast Chair: Kim Henze

Our Regional Contest will be streamed LIVE and FREE on Facebook! The easiest way for your friends and family to catch your performance will be for them to "Like" and "Follow" the Region 5 Facebook page: SAI, Spirit of the Midwest Region 5.

For questions, contact Kim Henze

Photography Ros VanHecke

Photography order forms have been sent to the Photography Contact for each Chorus.

Chorus forms and payment are due at the briefing :

https://www.sairegion5.org/docs/2019_Compensation/2019-chorus-order-input-form.pdf

Quartet forms and payment are due at the photo shoot.

http://www.sairegion5.org/docs/2019_Compensation/2019-quartet-order-input-form.pdf

Video and Flash Drives Kris DeWeese

Ordering information for Videos and Flash Drives will be sent to Chorus Competition Contacts in February. Flash drive orders will be due March 14, 2019.

Competition Reminders

- **Quartets and Directors, Team Leaders and Chorus Coordinators,**

Please be sure to read the Chorus /Quartet Competition Packet. Information communicated in the packets have not been repeated in this bulletin. Links can be found on our webpage:

<http://www.sairegion5.org/competition.html>

- **Chorus and Quartet Briefing**

Thursday evening at 8:45 p.m. at the DoubleTree in room 310. The Paramount has a performance Thursday night and we will need all the time possible to set up for competition very early Friday morning. At least one representative from the chorus/quartet needs to be present. Seating will be limited since it will be held at the DoubleTree.

- **Riser Assistance**

Please contact Kris DeWeese if you have any members who need assistance onto the stage. Riser chairs or other assistance will need to be communicated to Kris.

Boutique Chair: Pat Henry

Sweet Adeline members, choruses, quartets and outside vendors! Tables are still available for the Boutique. Please encourage vendors to apply by March 1, 2019. See the website for more information

https://www.sairegion5.org/docs/2019_Compensation/2019-boutique-vendor-letter.pdf

Please contact Pat Henry : quartet_chorus_tenor@yahoo.com

Spirit Award

The membership of Region 5 includes many outstanding Sweet Adelines who have given selflessly of their time, talents, and expertise for the love and joy of singing and have had a profound impact on the entire membership of Region 5, both on the Regional and International level. Of these, one is the person worthy of the Spirit Award for Region 5. The Annual Spirit Award is a very prestigious once-in-a-lifetime award. Nominations are being accepted NOW with a March 10 deadline. Go to Regional website

<http://www.sairegion5.org/events/member-recognition.html>

We know you have someone in your chorus who is worthy of this prestigious award which will be presented during the Show of Champions. Check previous recipients to make sure they are not already on the list. Get your nomination in now. Full information is on the website.

Celebrate Retirement with Jeri and Bev



Two AMAZING Master Directors' of two award winning choruses will be sharing a retirement date of April 6.

City Voices and MetroMix invite all of Region 5 to come to Taft Room A and B at 9 pm, April 6 (Saturday) for an open house to join in the celebration of the singing and directing careers of Jerilee Inghram and Beverly Hamilton. There will be reminiscing, singing and light refreshments, as well as a cash bar.



To read more about their Sweet Adeline careers click here:

<http://www.sairegion5.org/competition/celebrate-with-jeri-and-bev.html>

Important Dates

February 4, 2019	Quartet entry forms and payment due to International http://www.sairegion5.org/competition/forms.html
February 5, 2019	Chorus entry forms and payment due to International http://www.sairegion5.org/competition/forms.html
February 11, 2019	Draw for Order of Appearance
February 19, 2019	Quartet Late Entry Deadline (late fee applies)
February 20, 2019	Chorus Late Entry Deadline (late fee applies)
February 20, 2019	Housing Deadline – Judy Kaeser
February 26, 2019	Song Titles Forms Due to Kris DeWeese
March 4, 2019	Registration Deadline – Mary Kammeyer
March 14, 2019	Flash Drive Order Forms Due to Kris DeWeese (forms will be provided)
April 5, 2019	Quartet Competition—Paramount Theater
April 6, 2019	Chorus Competition—Paramount Theater

RAMM

We are excited to announce that our new International Queens of Harmony, Class Ring will join us for a pre-RAMM to teach us a new song, the theme of the weekend, "One Song At A Time." This will be held Friday afternoon in the Taft Room, prior to the Regional Annual Membership Meeting (RAMM).

Please download the learning tracks and PDF from the Regional Website. You must log in to access the sheet music and the learning tracks.

The sheet music can be accessed: <http://www.sairegion5.org/music/learning-track-player.html>

The learning tracks: <http://www.sairegion5.org/syncedplayer3/syncedplayer.php?chglis=1>

1) Go to Music– Learning Track Player 2) Launch Learning Track Player 3) Look at Playlist and select the song you want

Class Ring will open the RAMM, after which we will present our Longevity Awards and recognize Our Golden Girls. We will also meet our new Regional Management Team. There will be plenty of time to get to the Quartet Competition to see Class Ring again as Mic Testers.

Come and win valuable door prizes including an overnight from the DoubleTree Hotel!



Judging Panel

Official Panel Liaison: June Pellarin

(Please note: Our Panel has been updated)

Sound	Bobbette Gantz, Region 11
Music	Mary Ashford Region 11
Expression	Nancy Field* Region 14
Showmanship	Ruth Ann Parker Region 25
Panel Secretary	Diane Brilz, Region 25
* Panel Chair	

2019 Regional Convention Steering Committee

POSITION	COMMITTEE MEMBER	CONTACT INFORMATION
Chair of Regional Convention (CRC)	Ros VanHecke River Blenders Chorus	region5crc@gmail.com
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