



WHO WE ARE

♪ The **Pride of Portland Chorus** is a Sweet Adelines International award-winning chorus, with non-profit 501-3C status.

♪ One of the largest women's choruses in the Western United States, the chorus had over 80 singers performing at the St Louis contest in October of 2018.

♪ Currently, Ryan Heller (Master Director 700) directs the chorus, with assistant directors Elizabeth Keller and Sandy Cahill (Master Director 600).

♪ Originally chartered in 1967 as Blue Lake Chorus, it merged with Willamette Sound Chorus in January 2001 to form the Pride of Portland Chorus.

WHAT WE DO

♪ Pride of Portland has consistently placed in the top ten at the Sweet Adelines International Competition since it first placed 10th in Portland, Oregon in 2001 - with a 7th place finish, just 11 points from 5th place, in 2018.

♪ The chorus is the 2017 first place regional champion for Region 13, the five state area consisting of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Alaska. They plan to compete again at Region 13 in April 2019 to earn a spot at the world championship in Louisville, KY for the 2020 International Competition.

♪ In addition to Sweet Adeline regional and international contests around the nation, Pride of Portland performs at paid engagements, shows, and community and charitable events.

♪ Pride of Portland Chorus produces an annual show attracting top quartets from Sweet Adelines International and Barbershop Harmony Society, plus local talent of all ages and genres, raising thousands of dollars for the chorus.

HOW WE DO IT

♪ Administratively, an elected management team oversees the chorus. It's comprised of the Team Coordinator, the Finance, Education, Membership, & Marketing Coordinators, and others.

♪ Musically, an appointed team participates in education, musical direction and planning for the chorus. The team consists of musical leaders, assistant directors, and visual team members.

♪ The members pay monthly dues to cover administrative costs, music, travel expenses and regional and international assessments.

♪ Pride rehearses weekly, on Wednesdays, at 7:00pm at the Oregon Latvian Community Center at 5500 SW Dosch Road, Portland, OR 97239.

♪ The chorus is always recruiting talented singers for membership and holds auditions on a regular basis.

