

The Phil Bernard Honorary Scholarship Champlain Valley Chorus of Sweet Adelines International

PROFILE OF PHIL BERNARD

Phil is a founding member of the Champlain Valley Chorus, which was chartered in 1968. During her 50 years as a member she has held numerous leadership roles and continues to share the role of section leader. She works to mentor, encourage, and share her years of experience on a weekly basis. Phil's humor and honesty are welcomed by the members of the chorus. She is well-respected and always willing to do what is best for the chorus. Her knowledge and experience are integral to the development of the chorus. Phil has been the "rock" of the group for 50 years. Her encouragement of fellow chorus members, and her willingness to adapt and try new things are an asset to the ensemble. Introduced to Sweet Adelines because of her husband's involvement in Barbershop, Phil continues to love what she does. She raised seven children, worked as a nurse, and is now a caregiver, yet, makes time for sing-outs, music staff and rehearsals. Her commitment to all she does is to be admired.

Eligibility

To apply for the Phil Bernard honorary scholarship, you may not have previously received this scholarship and in addition, must meet the following criteria:

- Be a female resident of Clinton, Essex, or Franklin County, NY.
- Be in the process of completing your senior year in high school.
- Have participated in the Sweet Expectations workshop program, sponsored by the Champlain Valley Chorus on at least one opportunity.
- Have a minimum high school GPA of 3.0 or a B average.
- Have plans to attend either a 2 or 4 year college.

Application and Award Process

- Application and one letter of recommendation must be received or postmarked by April 15.
- Scholarship winner will be notified by May 15.
- One \$250 award will be given annually.
- Checks will be available to be presented at the winning student's year end Scholastic Award ceremony.

**The Phil Bernard honorary scholarship
The Champlain Valley Chorus of the Sweet Adelines
Application Form**

Name:

Address:

School District:

Email:

Phone:

Birthdate:

Short Essay – In 250 words or less please attach a document that answers the following two questions:

- 1. How has singing affected your life?***

- 2. How have you demonstrated the characteristics that Phil Bernard demonstrates every day, with grace and ease?***

Please submit this form, along with one letter of recommendation from a non-family member, NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2018, to be considered for this scholarship of \$250.

Please send all materials to:

**Scholarship Committee
Champlain Valley Chorus
334 Cornelia Street #134
Plattsburgh, NY 12901**