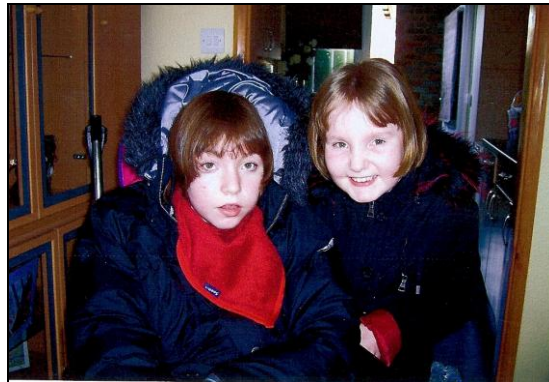


GOLDEN GIRLS –  
STEVENAGE LADIES CHOIR SUPPORT SISTERS



Sisters Emily (11) and Sarah (15) Bushaway

The Stevenage Ladies Choir is incredibly proud to be celebrating their Golden Jubilee this year. They will be celebrating this wonderful occasion with a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at 7.30pm the John Henry Newman Roman Catholic School in Stevenage. They will be performing some of their favourite pieces from the last 50 years, and it promises to be a memorable evening for both the Ladies and their guests, The Hertfordshire Community Youth Choir. Tickets, which are £8.00 or £6.00 for concessions, are currently available by calling 07849 782679.

During their 50 years the Stevenage Ladies Choir have raised enormous amounts of money for charity, with beneficiaries including local charities and individuals such as The Strathmore Wing at the Lister Hospital, The Garden House Hospice, Letchworth and The Living Room Project.

The ladies are incredibly passionate about helping people specifically in their local area, and like to see firsthand the difference that can be made. This year any profits from their anniversary concert will be going to help a local family achieve their dream of a holiday in the UK. The Bushaway family has two young daughters, both of whom suffer from the extremely rare and progressive genetic disorder, Niemann-Pick Disease, Type C. This devastating illness is often referred to as the childhood form of Alzheimer's disease, which causes irreversible damage to cells and tissue. Symptoms range from the physical, (difficulty with eye movement, problems with walking, slurred or irregular speech and learning difficulties), to the progressive intellectual decline that eventually leads to dementia.

To have one child with this disorder would be devastating enough, but to have both the girls diagnosed with it is unthinkable; hence the Ladies pledge to help Sarah and Emily and their Mum and Dad have some quality time together and create a book of memories that the girls and their family can look back upon.

All profits from the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary concert and some other various fundraising activities this year will go towards achieving the Choir goal of £1500, but if you would like to make a donation to help, please send it to:

Stevenage Ladies Choir Treasurer, Mrs Wendy Merritt, 3 Kenmare Close, Great Ashby, Stevenage, Herts. SG1 3XW.

Please make cheques payable to the 'Stevenage Ladies Choir'.

For further information on Niemann-Pick Disease Type C please visit

<http://www.niemannpick.org.uk>