

April 29 Sunday Session: The Mission Gold Band and the Tevis Rangers Junior High Band

OUR APRIL BANDS

The Mission Gold Band from the Bay Area and the Tevis Rangers Junior High Band from Bakersfield will be playing "Hot Swingin' Jazz" at the Basin Street Regulars' April 29th Sunday Session, 1:00-4:30 PM, at the Pismo Beach Veteran's Memorial Building, 780 Bello Street. Jam session starts at 11 AM (bring your ax!).



Mission Gold Band, with Jubilee Jam extraordinaire Dick Williams seated to the right

Mission Gold

The Mission Gold Jazz Band is an 8-piece, 2-cornet band playing the traditional jazz music of New Orleans and San Francisco. A great part of their gig book emphasizes the music of Louis Armstrong, Jelly Roll Morton, King Oliver, Lu Watters, and Turk Murphy. Their main goal is to please the dancers, strutters, and listeners to this genre. A cool feature from this talented band is that they will encourage our audience to pick from 40 tunes of different styles, and will create the last set from our choices! So, please write down your selection and they hope to play it in the last set. Also, don't forget that during the Cakewalk we'll select a dancer to "take the cake"...yes, win the prize cake and share it with your friends. Have fun and let the good times roll!

Mission Gold musicians:

- ♪ Cornets - Dick Williams and Noel Weidkamp
- ♪ Reeds - Ray Buhler
- ♪ Piano - Roz Temple
- ♪ Banjo - Jack Wiecks
- ♪ Tuba - Tom Downs
- ♪ Drums - Paul Campana
- ♪ Trombone and Leader - John Soulis



BSR VP Dean Krikorian with a few of last year's Tevis jammers (Dean says, "They were brave! And good!")

Tevis Rangers Junior High Jazz Band

The Tevis Rangers will be performing the intermission set at the April 29th Sunday Session. This will be the third time that this junior high jazz band has been featured at our monthly event. (Full disclosure: the leader of the Tevis school band, Kelly Willey, is the daughter-in-law of Fran Willey, Jubilee's Board Member and Secretary.)

The Tevis Rangers Jazz Ensemble from Bakersfield made their debut as our intermission band in May 2015. This was the first time a junior high school band had ever appeared at a BSR event. The students were all in white shirts and vests, and they looked and performed professionally. The band put on an amazing show and the response from the crowd was overwhelming. Last summer eight Tevis Rangers attended the Teagarden Jazz Camp in Pollack Pines, funded by jazz scholarships from the Basin Street Regulars. They performed so well that they were also featured at the 2017 Jazz Jubilee by the Sea.

Basin Street Regulars features local school bands at the Sunday sessions from January

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through May. The hat will be passed during the performance of the school band program. Last year a whopping \$529 dollars was collected for the Tevis Rangers band (thanks!).

This concert will be a special one in honor of longtime BSR supporter Gordon Willey, who passed away on Easter. Gordon was so proud of the band and Kelly. We at BSR wouldn't miss this show for the world. A celebration of Gordon's life will be held at the Cayucos Community Church, Saturday, April 28, at 11:00 AM. Lunch will follow.

MARCH RECAP

We had a wonderful session in March. The jam session went smoothly and we were joined by some excellent players from Santa Ynez High School. See the jam session article for more details. Many dancers attended our event anxious to hear the Starlight Dreamband. As soon as the first note was played, dozens of dancers hit the floor. This band is very professional and they know what people want to hear. The floor was packed for the entire first set, and many people were wearing "dance flowers".

The intermission set featured the Santa Ynez High School Jazz Band, led by the inimitable Les Rose. Les retired for a year, but he couldn't give up his true passion, leading a group of young musicians to jazz greatness. The band performed admirably, showcasing many of their players with featured solos. The hat was passed during the set and an impressive \$550 was collected. Thanks again!

The stage was then reset for the return of the Starlight Dreamband. Once again the dancers flocked to the floor and stayed until the end of our day. At the conclusion of the event there was plenty of help putting things away so we could all go back to our warm abodes. Thank you to all our helpers – we make a great team!

JUBILEE CORNER

Planning for Jubilee proceeds apace. All the out-of-town band contracts have been released,



and only the school band contracts remain to be sent. Some local bands may also be hired to play at Pismo and AG restaurants and bistros. We have placed ads in all the West Coast trad jazz festivals to date, and will have our ad in the *Syncopated Times* for the May issue. We will also be advertising at the SLO Jazz Festival, the Live Oak Festival, the Parkfield Bluegrass Festival, and the Renaissance Fair. Our venues are lined up and we had our first venue review meeting on Ruben's Rendezvous. We will have individual meetings about all the venues to make sure we iron out any potential problems like those we saw last year. We are hiring our food vendors and will have a limited number of sales tables this year. We have a few more meetings lined up for April, as shown below. All meetings take place at 3:00 PM in the Skyroom of the Edgewater unless otherwise stated. Upcoming meetings:

- ♪ April 17th – Sound, Lighting
- ♪ April 24th – Venue, Pat's at Pat's, pending coordination
- ♪ May 15th – Seacrest at Seacrest, Edgewater, pending coordination
- ♪ May 29th – Venues, Vet's Hall, Addie

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Happy April, and we are moving along into the new year with great enthusiasm. Our new website has been designed and will be up and running soon. We hope you will be pleased. Remember Jubilee is just around the corner – if you haven't offered to volunteer, now is a good time. Just let me know and I will pass it on.

Thanks to all of you who renewed your memberships in BSR! We have been growing – 13 new members in March and another 4 so far for April, and the month is not over. We have 44 Silver memberships – wonderful way to be supportive. For more information on the Silver membership, check with me at the Membership table inside by the dining room. As of March 31, those who have not renewed will no longer receive the newsletter, and the Sunday Session will cost them \$10 each at the door.

♪ Sandy Smallwood
BSR President/Membership Chair

JAM SESSION

In March we were joined by some outstanding saxophone players from Santa Ynez High School.



Set 1 featured George on trumpet, Rhonda on alto sax, Del Gomes on clarinet, Zane St. Andre Jackson (from Santa Ynez) on tenor sax, Richard

Woodworth on soprano sax, Jeff Cardinal on trombone, Paul Buscaino on trombone, Dee Trent on banjo, Frank Coop on guitar, Joel Siegel on bass, Jon Mounts on piano, Anne Abler and Kris Baird on washboard, and Jeff Cardinal on drums. Featured songs included Baby Face, Ain't Misbehavin' with Richard on vocals, Indiana, and Who's Sorry Now with Barbara Knoblock on vocals. Richard Woodworth conducted. John Ferrari ran sound.

Set 2 featured these changes: Maddie Benson (from Santa Ynez) on alto, Mac Eastham on tuba, Paul Reid on piano, Scott Andrews on alto, Fernie on drums, and Joel Siegel on violin. Featured songs included Sheik of Araby and St. Louis Blues with Paul Reid on vocals, Mac the Knife with Dee on vocals (in German!), Exactly Like You with Sandy on vocals, and When It's Sleepy Time Down South with Jeff C. on vocals. Del conducted.

Set 3 featured these changes: Jeff C. on trumpet, Richelle Cross and George Smith on piano. Featured songs included Nobody's Sweetheart, Goody Goody with Sandy on vocals, Cakewalkin' Babies, I've Got a Feelin' I'm Falling, and Blue Turning Grey with Richelle on vocals. Del conducted.

It was really fun hanging out with the Santa Ynez High kids. There is definitely some talent in that group. Next month we will be joined by members of the Tevis Rangers Junior High School Band and we can hardly wait. See you soon.

♪ Rhonda Cardinal



HELP WANTED

Our Club needs all kinds of help to keep our Sunday Sessions operating successfully. Below are some ways you can help if you have some spare time, as well as the previously listed requests so you can see how many of our members have already volunteered.

Facebook – HELP FOUND

The BSR Facebook account needs to have someone create an “event” for the Sunday Sessions every month. Shonda Croly has volunteered to do this. Thanks a lot, Shonda!

Newsletter Editor – HELP FOUND

We have a new newsletter editor – Carol Culwell. Many thanks to her for taking on this difficult and time-consuming task. Carol found us through a request posted to the Central Coast Hour Exchange program, an all-volunteer organization that trades hours of service instead of currency.

Help at the Door

We need some people to volunteer at the front door for one to two hours at the Sunday Sessions. This is a great way to meet people and give them a good first impression of our club. If you are interested and available, please see Eva Ackerman at the next Sunday Session or call her at (661) 305-3606.

Calls to Lapsed Members – HELP FOUND

Shonda Croly will be making calls to lapsed members. Thanks again, Shonda!

Good News Articles – HELP FOUND

Report on school band performances and grants that have been received. These articles will be forwarded to our publicity contact and sent to our press contacts. Shonda Croly has taken this on as well. Thanks yet again, Shonda!

Look for Scrapbook Entries

Check *New Times*, *Coast News*, and other publications for articles about our Sunday Sessions and Jubilee. Present and report at the Board meetings. Give articles to the scrapbook coordinator. For more info, please contact Pat Spino at (805) 773-1487.

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Put Scrapbook Entries in Scrapbook

Put the collected scrapbook entries in BSR scrapbooks. For more info, contact Rhonda Cardinal at (805) 937 8402.

The Board greatly appreciates anything our members can do to keep our club viable. If you can devote a few hours a month, please contact the people listed above. Thanks!



BSR SPONSORS NOLA STAGE AT SLO JAZZ FEST

The Basin Street Regulars are a sponsor of the NOLA Stage (on Broad Street) at the upcoming SLO Jazz Festival, May 18-19. Bands appearing on that stage will include Judith & Her Jazz Crewe, Ragbone Saints, and The Pub Crawlers, all of whom have played at BSR Sunday Sessions.

Kicking off the festival Friday night on the main stage will be the Grammy-award-winning Pacific Mambo Orchestra and 2018 Grammy winner Jeff Lorber. The grand finale on Saturday night will be three-time Grammy winner Sergio Mendes.

More information on the SLO Jazz Festival is available on their website at www.slojazzfest.org/.

BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

The By-Law amendments published in the March OffBeat were approved by the Board at the April meeting. Thanks to all who participated in this effort.

UPCOMING FESTIVALS (2018)

- ♪ SLO Jazz Festival, May 18-19
- ♪ Hot Jazz Jubilee (Sacramento), Labor Day weekend, Aug. 31-Sep. 3
- ♪ Sun Valley Jazz Festival (Idaho) Oct. 18-22
- ♪ Jazz Jubilee by the Sea (Pismo) Oct. 25-28
- ♪ Arizona Classic Jazz Festival (Chandler), Nov. 1-4
- ♪ West Coast Ragtime Festival (Rancho Cordova), Nov. 16-18
- ♪ San Diego Jazz Fest, Nov. 21-25

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE!

- ♪ 39 Plus Dance Club, Morro Bay. Every Wednesday, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM, Morro Bay Vet's Hall, 773-6536. Live music! Bring your lunch. Potluck last Wednesday of the month. \$8.00.
- ♪ 39 Plus Dance Club, Pismo Beach. Second Monday every month, 1:00 PM, Pismo Vet's Hall. Dancing to live music. Lunch available, \$7.00.

"We're fools whether we dance or not, so we might as well dance." - Japanese proverb



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Yearly Membership Costs

- ♪ Youth, not included in "family plan" — \$15
- ♪ Single member — \$25
- ♪ Couple — \$40
- ♪ Family plan — \$50
- ♪ Silver Membership — \$100 per person

Session Costs

- ♪ Members — \$5.00
- ♪ Guests — \$10.00
- ♪ Silver Members — FREE

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Memberships

Purchase/renew at Sunday session or by mail:

BSR Membership
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Pismo Beach, CA 93448

BUSINESS AND BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings will begin at 3:00 PM on the first Tuesday of the month, generally in the Sky Room of the Edgewater Inn, Pismo Beach. All members are welcome. We need your support here!

SUNSHINE POINT OF CONTACT

Eva Ackerman sends sympathy and get-well cards to our members/families on behalf of BSR. If you know someone who needs a little support, please contact Eva at (661) 607-4138.

OFFBEAT ACCEPTING ADS

We accept ads. Prices are as follows: business-card size \$15.00; 1/4 page \$25.00; 1/2 page \$50.00. 50% discount if you buy an ad for six months. Business-card-sized ad for one year is \$120. Mid-year purchases will be prorated.

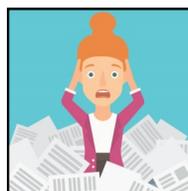
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BSR Upcoming Events 2018

SUNDAY SESSIONS

Venue Veteran's Memorial Hall
780 Bello Street, Pismo Beach

Times Jams begin at 11:00 AM
Guest band begins at 1:00 PM

April 29 Mission Gold
Tevis Junior High Jazz Band (Bakersfield)

May 20 Pub Crawlers from Sacramento
Cal Poly Jazz Band

June 24 Midnight Rose
Voodoo Doodads with Valerie Johnson
and Al B Blue

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sept 30 BBQ at Cardinal House

Oct 25 - 28 Jubilee by the Sea