



**DECEMBER SUNDAY SESSION BANDS**

**(Reminder—the Sunday Session is one week earlier than usual again this month!)**

The Starlight Dreamband from San Luis Obispo and Pacific Swing from the Central Coast will be playing “Hot Swingin’ Jazz” at the Basin Street Regulars’ Sunday afternoon concert, 1:00 to 4:30 on December 16 at the Pismo Beach Veteran’s Memorial Building, 780 Bello Street. Jam session starts at 11:00 (bring your instrument and join in).

This month only, there will be a holiday buffet and champagne. Bring a dish to share (appetizer, salad, or dessert) or throw five dollars into the pot. See “Holiday Party” article on p. 2 for more info.

**The Starlight Dreamband**

“For your listening and dancing pleasure...” The Starlight Dreamband is composed of some of the finest musicians within the greater San Luis Obispo area. Presenting top-quality big band and dance music with a more-than-casual nod to the great American standards, the Starlight Dreamband also performs various other styles of highly popular music. Spearheaded by Robert Alberts and Mitch Latting, the Starlight Dreamband plays the 4th and 5th Saturdays of each month at the Madonna Inn in San Luis Obispo.



Pacific Swing Band @ Puffers

**Pacific Swing**

Pacific Swing has been jazzin’ it up on the Central Coast of California since 2008. These accomplished local musicians have joined forces to have a fun time while sharing their love of jazz. Whether it’s traditional, swing, bebop, Latin, or more progressive jazz styles, you can be sure this group has it covered. They were recently featured at Puffers of Pismo during the 2018 Jazz Jubilee by the Sea. The band lineup includes Terry Handy as leader and on bass, Mike Madden on drums, George Smith on piano, Lee Irwin on tenor and alto sax, and Del Gomes on clarinet and soprano sax.



Starlight Dreamband

**DECEMBER RAFFLE**

The California Rare Fruit Growers have donated a small apple tree to us for our December raffle. Sandy will be selling the raffle tickets again this month. Those of you who bought tickets in November, be sure to bring them with you on the 16th.

**HOLIDAY PARTY  
THIS MONTH**

We will be having our 8th annual holiday party on December 16 at the Pismo Beach Vet's Hall. A traditional dinner will be provided by the Del Monte Café, including roast turkey, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, green beans, and dinner rolls and butter. Please feel free to bring something to add to the festivities—a tasty appetizer, salad, or mouth-watering dessert—in disposable serving dishes, because no one will be washing any dishes after our feast!

Admission will be the same as usual and we will not charge for the food. However, we ask for a \$5.00 additional contribution if you do not bring anything to share.

The Sunday session starts at 11:00 with the jam session, as it always does. Appetizers will be available at approximately 11:30, lunch at 1:00. We will have a champagne toast at approximately 2:15; one glass of complimentary champagne will be provided. This is a flagship event for our club and we encourage everyone to attend.

**JUBILEE CORNER**

We are still doing housekeeping from our 2018 festival. We have tabulated all the surveys, recorded all the comments, and made our own internal assessments. We believe that we will clear \$15,000 this year, but the final tally is still outstanding. This gives us plenty of revenue to pour some back into our own Basin Street Regulars club.

Soon we will be meeting to discuss how to move forward for 2019. As of this date, no bands have been hired, although some have been contacted or have contacted us. Everyone is taking a well-deserved break, although much work is going on behind the scenes. Pretty soon we will get in gear and start the process over again for another great festival. A meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 18, at 3:00 p.m. in the Skyroom of the Edgewater. If you would like to participate in next year's Jubilee preparations, please feel free to contact me at 805-937-8402.

*Rhonda Cardinal*  
Chairman, 2018 Jazz Jubilee by the Sea

**MORE ELECTIONS!**

Elections will be held at our December Sunday session on the 16th. The following officers and board members have been nominated and have accepted the nominations.

**Basin Street Regulars  
2019 Board of Directors**

- ◆ President: Sandy Smallwood
- ◆ Vice President: Dean Krikorian
- ◆ Secretary: Tara Hoffmann
- ◆ Treasurer: Hugh Robinson

**Board Members**

Board members are elected for two-year terms, three each year.

- ◆ Eva Ackerman
- ◆ Rhonda Cardinal
- ◆ Shonda Croly

**According to the By-Laws**

"Ballots shall be available only to members in good standing at the time of admission to the December monthly session. If there are no contests for any office, there can be a show of hands at the Monthly Session rather than ballots."

Since there are no contested offices for 2019, we will have a show of hands during the December session to ratify the new Board.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

We have 309 members, 46 silver members, and 4 new members:

- ♪ Ross Kongable - Arroyo Grande
- ♪ Julia Korba and Alice Criger - Arroyo Grande
- ♪ Mary Falcon - Santa Maria

Welcome to our new members!

*Sandy Smallwood*  
BSR President/Membership Chair

**PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

It's the season of family and friends, and our BSR family comes together again this December with our holiday party. The music will be great again and we'll have food, fun, and friendship.

It is also that time of year for our election of officers. I am blessed to have a full slate with the addition of Shonda Croly, who is willing be our new membership chair (thank you, Shonda!).

Remember the new year starts in January 2019. We will be sending out reminder notices regarding dues. If you get the mailed version of OffBeat, your anniversary date will be on the cover page by your name. If you are still not sure, call me (805-773-3750).

*Sandy Smallwood*  
BSR President/Membership Chair

**LOCAL MUSIC EVENTS**

- ♪ 39 Plus Dance Club, Morro Bay. Every Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Morro Bay Vet's Hall, 209 Surf Street, (805) 773-6536. Live music! Bring your lunch. Potluck last Wednesday of the month. \$8.00.
- ♪ Pismo Beach Parks and Rec., 50+ Active Adult Dance Social. Second Monday every month, 12:30 - 3:00 p.m., Pismo Beach Vet's Hall, 780 Bello Street. Dancing to live music. Lunch available. \$7.00.
- ♪ Monday, December 31, 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m., "Noon Year's" Dance Party with music by the Riptide Big Band, sponsored by the City of Santa Maria Parks & Recreation Department. Free admission. Elwin Mussell Center, 510 E. Park Ave., Santa Maria. For more information, go to <http://www.riptidebb.com/>.

**UPCOMING FESTIVALS**

- Sounds of Mardi Gras (Fresno), Feb. 7-10, 2019
- Teagarden Jazz Festival (Sacramento), Feb. 8-10, 2019
- Jazz Bash by the Bay (Monterey), Mar. 2-4, 2019
- Clambake Music Festival (Coos Bay, OR), Mar. 8-10, 2019
- An All New Jazz Party! (St. George, UT), Mar. 22-24, 2019
- Jazz Affair (Three Rivers), Apr. 12-14, 2019
- Redwood Coast Music Festival (Eureka), May 9-12, 2019
- Sutter Creek Ragtime Festival (CA), Aug. 9-11, 2019
- Hot Jazz Jubilee (Sacramento), Aug. 30-Sep. 2, 2019
- Colorado Springs Jazz Party (CO), Sep. 27-29, 2019
- Sun Valley Jazz Festival (ID), Oct. 16-20, 2019

**ONE MORE JUBILEE SPONSOR/PATRON BANNER AVAILABLE**

We have one more 2018 Jubilee sponsor/patron banner available. It is 5 feet long and 3 feet wide, with grommets on the top for mounting, made of heavy-duty paper—fibrous and tear-resistant. We will have it at the December Sunday session for anyone who wants it—for free! (However, donations are always accepted...)

**BAND CAMP**

Every year the Basin Street Regulars raise money to send students to band camp, and this year we were able to sponsor 12 students at the Teagarden Jazz



Camp. The camp is open to young musicians between the ages of 12 and 20 who play trumpet, trombone, clarinet, saxophone, piano, bass/tuba, drums, or banjo/guitar, as well as vocals. They only accept 10 of each instrument for each week of camp, so they are limited to a total of 90 campers per week. Preference is given to campers who are sponsored by their local jazz society. Tuition (\$695 for 2018) includes meals, lodging, and study materials.

When students first arrive at camp they will audition, so the faculty can see their ability, then will be split up into bands according to their skill levels. Teachers work with them each day and every night they will showcase what they learned. The camp also has competitions such as corn husking, carrying water in a sponge, and other things to just have fun. The band that is awarded the most points at the end gets a pizza party. The campers also get to go hiking, play basketball and volleyball, and have a dance on Friday night. The camp is mainly about keeping traditional jazz and Dixieland music alive, but also allows time to have fun and form friendships. The last day of camp ends with a formal concert for parents, friends, and spectators. To go to camp, students must first contact the camp and register themselves and their instruments; they can apply for a scholarship once accepted.

If you would like to donate to our scholarship fund, please send a check to the Basin Street Regulars Scholarship Fund at P.O. Box 356, Pismo Beach, CA 93448.

**NOVEMBER JAM SESSION**

It was great to get back in the hall to do our jam set, after two months of being away. We tried to focus on Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving, and Hanukkah with our song selections.

Players on set 1 included George Smith on trumpet and piano and also jazz master, Rhonda on alto sax, Paul Buscaino on trombone, Frank Coop on guitar, Joel Seigel on bass, Dee Trent on banjo, Del Gomes on piano, Kris Baird on washboard, and John Nye on drums. Jeff ran sound. Featured songs included *Bye Bye Blackbird* with Rhonda on vocals, *Struttin' with Some BBQ*, and *American Patrol*.

Set 2 featured these changes: Jim West on trumpet, Cathy Cardinal and Del Gomes on clarinet, Jeff Cardinal on bass, Joel Seigel on piano, and Fernie Monreal on drums. Ken Heiges ran sound. Del was the jazz master. Featured songs included *Yankee Doodle Dandy* with Rhonda on vocals, *Cakewalkin' Babies*, *Who's Sorry Now* with Barbara on vocals, and *I Had a Little Dreidel* with Cathy on vocals.

Set 3 included these changes: George Smith on piano and Ken Heiges on drums. Del remained the jazz master. Jim Borland ran sound. Featured songs included *When You're Smilin'*, *Bill Bailey* with Barbara on vocals, *Deed I Do* with Cathy on vocals, and *God Bless America*.

Next month is our holiday jam session with all the holiday songs you know and love. Jam session starts at 11:00. See you then!

*Rhonda Cardinal*



Judith and the Jazz Krewe

**NOVEMBER BANDS**

**Judith and the Jazz Krewe**, a great local band from Arroyo Grande, had people dancing cheek to cheek while they played tunes like *It Had to be You*, *Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White*, *When You Kiss Me Heaven Sighs*, *It's a Sin to Tell a Lie*, and *Papa Loves Mambo*.

**Amigos Swing and Jazz Band**, another great local band, played tunes from the 30's, 40's, and 50's. Our very own President Sandy Smallwood sang songs like *Moonlight in Vermont*, *Bring Me Sunshine*, *Chattanooga Choo Choo*, and *Blue Moon*. Jeff Cardinal wooed us with *A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square* and *Beyond the Sea*.

*Shonda Croly*



Amigos Swing and Jazz Band

## MEMBERSHIP

### 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

### Membership Chairperson

Sandy Smallwood, sandysmallwood@charter.net

### Memberships

Purchase/renew at Sunday sessions, on the BSR website, or by mail:

BSR Membership  
PO Box 356  
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## BUSINESS AND BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings will begin at 3:00 p.m. 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.

# BASIN STREET REGULARS

a.k.a. "The Central Coast Hot Jazz Society"

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### BSR UPCOMING EVENTS

#### 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

Jan. 27, 2019 Bands to be announced

Feb. 24, 2019

Mar. 31, 2019