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## TWO TRIOS TWILL TEMPT W/ TRAD TUNES THIS TSUNDAY!

**Three Martini Lunch** from Pismo Beach and the **Elitajazz Trio** from Morro Bay will be playing "Hot Swingin' Jazz" at the Basin Street Regulars' Sunday afternoon Concert 1:00 to 4:00 at the Pismo Beach Veteran's Memorial Building, 780 Bello Street on Sunday, November 24.

Jam session starts at 11:00 (bring your instrument and join in). Admission is \$5 members, \$10 Non-members. Annual single membership \$25. Annual under 26, \$15. Couples \$40, Family \$50, Silver \$100. For more information call (805) 481-7840 or go to [www.pismojazz.com](http://www.pismojazz.com). Email at: [pismojazz2015@gmail.com](mailto:pismojazz2015@gmail.com).

The Basin Street Regulars is a 501 (c)(3) Organization, dedicated to the performance and preservation of Traditional "Hot Swingin'" Jazz. Funds from this event support jazz camp scholarships for area teens and young adults.

### Three Martini Lunch:

Three Martini Lunch is a high energy, up-tempo classic jazz trio. They have been entertaining the Central Coast since 2002.

This Classic Jazz Trio performs the music of the Great American Songbook, featuring the songs of Sinatra, Dean Martin and Tony Bennett.



Album Art

They also play Instrumental Pop and Movie Themes from the 1950's and 60's. Three Martini Lunch has been featured in SLO Life Magazine. They were the House Band at The Lido Restaurant and Lounge at Dolphin Bay Resort & Spa, in Shell Beach, from 2007 to 2015. They are currently in their 11th year of residency at The

Sea Venture Resort and Restaurant. They are located in Pismo Beach.

### Elitajazz Trio:

The Elitajazz Trio formed about 10 years ago as a fun and satisfying way to play and enjoy the music we love.



Digits Make 3

It includes Elita Chaffin on upright bass and vocals, Patrick Munson on guitar and vocals, and our local favorite Del Gomes on Clarinet.

We play OKOM as well as more contemporary Great American Songbook classics.

Both Elita and Del were long time attendees at the adult camp version of the Sacramento jazz camp that our BSR youth attend on BSR scholarships!

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy November and this month's music is again wonderful. The Jubilee is behind us and it was the best one ever. This is a good time to thank my tireless badge sales volunteers for all their support, as well as all the wonderful volunteers!

It is again time to choose a board of directors. The voting will be in December at our Holiday Party. This is a good time to let your opinion help guide us and put in your 2 cents. The ballot will be in the newsletter.

We are still looking for people to work the door. It is a fun job and you will become acquainted with our members. Diane can use help from 11:00 to 1:00 and I have been filling from 1 to 2:30. We need permanent help. So let me know if any of you are interested.

It has been a great year and more to come.

☺☺☺☺☺♥ Sandy Smallwood, President

## Jubilee Corner Wrap

The 2019 Jazz Jubilee by the Sea was a real blow-out, highlighted by world-renowned New Orleans busking-band Tuba Skinny, making their first-ever West Coast festival appearance.

In addition to the Jubilee, the Thursday night San Luis Obispo farmers' market touted a free concert with the Crustacea Jazz Band, one of our faves, followed by two Tuba Skinny sets. Audience numbers there set a new record and YouTube videos posted by loyal fans have exceeded 5,000 views. Enthusiasts traveled from across the country to see their favorite band in our area's comfortable settings!

Besides Tuba Skinny, the Australian Jazz Connection generated the intense excitement that characterized this festival. I was their debut performance of an assemblage of Aussie ex-pats put together by the able and debonair Paul Ingle, a new Friend of the Festival. Some jazz buffs traveled from Down Under to see them, an extraordinary blend of players pulling together some astounding sets with minimal rehearsal.

Another Koala Lover, the ever-popular Professor Cunningham and His Old School also graced our stages. This year they brought sexy calendars featuring the band members, which were a big hit and an instant sell-out. Their tribute to Bobby Darin was one of the high points of the festival and one of many, many incredible tribute sets performed over the weekend. The Prof also guested with the Australian Jazz Connection on their "Aussie Tunes" set.

Bob Draga performed a tribute to Pete Fountain packing the Vet's Hall, with people spilling out of the doors and into the lobby. The set was flawlessly executed, entertaining, and educational. He still has what it takes, stealing the show.

The Shake Em Up Jazz Band wowed us with their intimate mix of vocals and instrumental performances. The all-woman band hails from New Orleans, and features local hero Molly Reeves. Haruka Kikuchi, returned this year and proved why she is one of the top trombone players in the Big Easy! Other returning favorites included Cornet Chop Suey, Tom Rigney and Flambeau, the Midiri Brothers, Sue Palmer and Her Motel Swing Orchestra, Blue Street, and the ever-popular Creole Syncopators.

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Another new band for us this year was Gator Nation. Their unusual and theatrical performances had the dancers in the crowd energized and left the audience wanting more.

Our local mariachi band, Mariachi Autlence, pulled out all the stops at their Sunday shows. We regularly see them perform at a local restaurant and they are always great, but they really brought it to the big tent. Their crooner worked the audience, giving special attention to all of the ladies. If you were there, you were glad you were.

There were many special blocks of sets throughout the weekend, including the New Orleans block, the USO/Big Band Swing block, Night Club, Gospel, and Rent Party. Other tributes spotlighted Benny Goodman, Louis Armstrong, Artie Shaw, and Count Basie.

We expanded our reach to include other locations within the cities of Pismo Beach and Arroyo Grande, our way of saying "Thank you" to both cities for their generous financial contributions to our event. We sponsored free performances at local restaurants The Branch Street Deli and Puffers of Pismo, as well as at new hotels The Agrarian in Arroyo Grande and Vespara on Ocean in Pismo Beach. These performances were well attended and helped introduce our festival-goers to local businesses, as well as acquainting more locals with our unique music festival.

One of our themes (and we ended up with several this year) was a "Salute to the 90's", honoring all those in our audience and in our bands that were 90 years old or older (also known as *nonagenarians*). All festival attendees in that age group were given free buttons that said, "Ask me about my life." We tied this to the 75th anniversary of D-Day, celebrated in June, and all of the veterans and those that lived during World War II.

A major part of this theme was giving Pat Yankee and Chet Jaeger the royal treatment. We featured portraits of Pat and Chet (in uniform) that were taken during the war years on the cover of our program. The original painting, by local artist and graphics designer Priscilla Wilson, and an canvas copy were displayed in the lobbies of the Vet's Hall and Ruben's Rendezvous. Our last set of the festival featured Night Blooming Jazzmen with Pat Yankee appearing as a special guest.

By Rhonda Cardinal

**Dean's Behind-the-Scenes Jubilee Summary**

The 43rd Jubilee is behind us and my recollections seem blurred, yet still cogent.

A month before the Jubilee our numbers were way down compared to last year. So I literally went on a one-man mission to get the word out via New Times inserts and the Jubilettter.

All told we printed out 18,000 inserts and 1,000 Jubilettters (no inserts in Morro Bay or Santa Maria...next time?). Special thanks to Crazy Legs Steve at SloCo for designing both and adding some invaluable (KOish) insight. (*Aw shucks. -Ed.*)

I wrote most all of the content and even delivered the inserts myself to Goleta to ensure it was on time.

In the end we didn't lose money (remedying our down numbers) and who knows how the publicity effort worked: Perhaps we gained more locals for next year.

While the Jubilee went on very smoothly, it was in large part due to some tireless volunteers. Hence, my **Dean's List of Jubilee Volunteers: Hugh Robinson** easily garnered Volunteer MVP (again) this year (*btw*, Happy 92nd BDay!). Hugh was everywhere, like "Savoir Faire." Rhonda says "we nearly broke Hugh," but he is still standing. What don't break him, make him.

**Peggy Meade** won Most Inspirational Volunteer for her juggling efforts and stick-to-it-ness. **Linda Dutart** receives the Beyond-the-Call-of-Duty Award for shelling out her own money & driving all over the place.

Newcomer Volunteers of the Year *goto* Co-Site Captains **Gary Ryan & Igor**, who ran a very efficient and musical tight ship at the Edgewater (Hearn's Hideaway). Such musical joy in that room: Like you entered a trad jazz twilight zone episode.

Another Newcomer of the Year Award (by Rhonda) goes to **Sylvia Diaz** from Three Rivers, who admirably managed some hectic times at the Vets Hall. Thank you Sylvia!

Honorable Mention Volunteers include **Fred Felch, Shonda Croly, Susie West, Tara Hoffman** (who seemed to bring her A game this year), and **Jeff and Rhonda Cardinal** (they were everywhere, but seemed to enjoy more this year :).

**IMMORTALIZED!**



A wonderful way for it to end: **Pat Yankee, Chet Jaeger**, and painter/designer **Priscilla Wilson** after the presentation of the art.

And on to an after-party at the Vet's Hall, with food prepared by **Del Monte Café** and musical entertainment by the **Midiri Brothers**. It was a great way to thank all of those who contributed both time and money to keep our 43rd Jubilee going in a truly spectacular style! Jazzy!

Kudos to our Super Site Captains, they continue to impress me at their effective efforts: **Ruben (El Capitan), German and Fran, Gail Lightfoot, LaDean Talcott, Sandy Smallwood, Ed Rush** (from Rhonda), & **Diane Brand**, who still managed to get around. All high-end acts, in their own unique way.

Of course I left **someone** off, I couldn't be everywhere during the Jubilee. In any case, without these folks, this festival would not have been a success. Until next year...we keep saying we are gonna be smarter next time. Please do us all a favor and volunteer next year! It will be worth it, simply to learn from these old pros.

Dean Krikorian, PhD  
Basin Street Regulars Vice-President



**Sharon Reita Marshall**

**Volunteer of the Month:**

- 1) **Name-** Sharon Reita Marshall
- 2) **Position-** Volunteer Bartender
- 3) **Where are you from? Where have you lived?**

Born in Baltimore, Maryland. Have lived in Long Branch and Asbury Park New Jersey, Los Angeles (including Van Nuys, Culver City, Hollywood and West L.A.), Santa Barbara and (probably lastly) Santa Maria.

4) **Tell us about your family:**

Married the love of my life in 1968 just before he was deployed to Viet Nam (you do the math). No children. Playing with our 4th Golden Retriever, Molly. My older sister lived in Virginia and my younger sister in Baltimore. I've a generous supply of nieces and several great-nephews.

5) **How many years have you been in BSR?**

Hmmm. 4 or 5 years.

6) **What did you/do you do professionally?**

Clerically, initially in the medical field for about 25 years (UCLA Department of Neurology and private practices). When we moved to Santa Maria I became employed in the wine industry, working at Central Coast Wine Services for a couple of years and then was offered a position at Clendenon-Lindquist Vintners and I retired from there in 2016.

7) **What are your hobbies?**

Reading, walking, listening to music. Watching waves and the sounds and sights of the ocean.

8) **What are your favorite BSR bands?**

Dang! I enjoy them all.

9) **What other types of music do you like?**

Classic Rock, Swing and Big Band, Traditional and Modern Scottish and Irish, Folk, Classical. Easier to say I don't like Rap - all others, *turn it up!*

9) **What do you like/enjoy about BSR?**

The music, followed closely by camaraderie.



**Who Am I?**

I was born February 1, 1978 in Sacramento. My parents bestowed their love of all music upon me, and by the time I was 4, I was playing by ear - simplistic versions of Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D Minor and Scott Joplin's "The Entertainer" on my Uncle Richard's organ. My parents bought me a piano, a Kohler

spinnet that I still play to this day. My mentor was Dan Lofing, and I was practicing classical and rag-time piano for my lessons, learning some of the more popular songs on my own. My growing love for jazz was fueled when Dad would take me to the annual Sacramento Jazz Jubilee. At the age of 12, I attended my first year at the STJS Trad Jazz Camp. There, two well-known jazz pianists, Johnny Varro and "K.O." Ecklund, took me under their wings. So... **who am I?**

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## **Signed Piano at Ruben's Rendezvous**

Jeff Cardinal had the idea to attach a paint pen to one of the pianos at the festival and ask all of the pianists to sign it.

The piano with the pen was staged at Ruben's Rendezvous. Here is how it looked at the end of the festival.

Pianists who signed it include Sue Palmer from Sue Palmer's Motel Swing Band, Becky McClafin from Riptide, Jack from Santa Ynez Valley High, Chris Saunders from Australian Jazz Connection, Carolyn Dahl from Flambeau and a few others.

Next year, the piano will be staged at another venue.

Cool idea and great participation from the musicians.



## **LOCAL MUSIC EVENTS**

♪ **39 Plus Dance Club, Morro Bay.** Every Wednesday, 11 AM - 2 PM, Morro Bay Vet's Hall, 209 Surf Street, (805) 773-6536. Live music! Bring your lunch. Potluck last Wednesday of the month. \$10.00.

♪ **Pismo Beach Parks and Rec., 50+ Active Adult Dance Social.** Second Monday every month, 12:30 - 3 PM, Pismo Beach Vet's Hall, 780 Bello Street. Dancing to live music. Lunch available. \$7.00.

## **UPCOMING 2019-2020 FESTIVALS**

West Coast Ragtime Festival (Rancho Cordova), Nov. 22-24, 2019

San Diego Jazz Fest, Nov. 27-Dec.1, 2019

Sounds of Mardi Gras (Fresno), Feb 6-9, 2020

Jazz Bash by the Sea (Monterey), Mar 6-8, 2020

Jazz Affair (Three Rivers), April 17-19, 2020

Redwood Coast Music Festival (Eureka), May 7-10, 2020

## Elections Coming Up!

Elections for the Basin Street Regulars 2020 Board of Directors will be held at our December Sunday session. The following Officers and Board Members have been nominated and have accepted the nominations.

**If anyone wants to be a Board member in 2020, please notify Sandy Smallwood at (805) 773 3750 or e-mail her at [sandysmallwood@charter.net](mailto:sandysmallwood@charter.net), and you will be included on the ballot.**

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## 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.”

*If there are no contested offices for 2020, we will have a show of hands during the December session to ratify the new Board.*

### Charles E. Blair, MD



Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force (retired)



Trustee, Mosquito & Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County



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## 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 Chair

Shonda Croly, shamrockshonda@comcast.net

### Memberships

Purchase/renew at Sunday session or by mail:  
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 PO Box 356  
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## BUSINESS & 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

Sandy Smallwood 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 Sandy at (805) 773-3750.

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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.

Contact any Board Member (see top, right) to place any and all advertisements.

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## BSR UPCOMING EVENTS

### SUNDAY SESSION

Venue: Pismo Beach Vet's Hall  
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Times: Jams begin at 11:40 AM  
Guest band begins at 12:50 PM

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