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January 31st Sunday Event 2 PM Livestream Concert & Dance Featuring:

Gino and the Lone Gunmen

Gino and the Lone Gunmen is a threepiece band that performs a rockin' mix of Jazz, Rockabilly, Swing, Blues, Country and Vintage Rock and Roll. Their song catalog includes rockin' and swingin' original music as well as your favorites, including everything from Elvis and Buddy Holly to the Cavern Club days of the Beatles.

Gino Meregillano is a Southern California guitarist. He comes from a musical family. His first professional stage performance was at the age of fourteen. He has thirty years of experience on guitar, vocals, bass, mandolin and ukulele playing live, touring, song writing, recording and teaching music. He has a professional endorsement by Gretsch Guitars.

Gino has performed with many top acts such as Guana Batz, Hancox, Levi Dexter, Rip Masters, Ray Campi, the Rocketz., Cash In Hand, and Dave Bennett and the Memphis Speed Kings. The Lone Gunmen have shared the stage with many other great bands such as Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Slim Jim Phantom (Stray Cats), Three Bad Jacks, and Big Sandy. After making their debut at the 2012 Viva Las Vegas festival the band has been quickly gaining more fans from around the world. The band has three CDs for sale plus two CDs on which they are featured for the Viva Las Vegas Rockabilly Weekend competitions Vol 15 and Vol 18. Get CDs and t-shirts at https://ginosguitar.com/merch Gino Meregillano - guitar and vocals Andrew Verdugo - bass and vocals Bob Sale - drums and vocals The website for Gino and the Lone Gunmen is: www.GinosGuitar.com Gino's Virtual Tip Jar: www.paypal.me/ ginomeregillano or Venmo to Gino-Meregillano CDs and music downloads are



available on amazon.com, Spotify, iTunes and Apple Music.

Due to the current health situation, this event may be postponed. Members will be notified if this occurs. If a postponement is required, videos from the BSR Veteran's Hall archives will be presented during the designated time period. You will not be disappointed.

The show will be Livestreamed from the Cardinal gazebo on Sunday, January 31st, beginning at 2:00 p.m. To catch the show, go to Facebook and search for Basin Street Regulars or go to: https://www.facebook.com/BasinStreetRegulars/ You will be able to watch as soon as we go Live at around 1:50 p.m. You will need to have or create a Facebook page to view this event live on Facebook. For information about how to get on Facebook, the next feature.

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The show will also be streamed on YouTube during and will also be available after the event. To access this Livestream or recording, visit http://pismojazz.com and click on our YouTube channel link on the Home page, or go to https://www.youtube.com/user/ BasinStreetRegulars

You do not need a YouTube account to watch this on YouTube.

Donations will be accepted during this event. Feel free to leave donations at www.paypal.me/basinstreetrequlars

If you would like to attend this concert in person, please e-mail Rhonda at jwcardinal@msn.com or call our house at (805)937-8402. We should be able to accommodate a live audience rain or shine; subject to the latest health restrictions. Masks required. Thanks

How to Watch the Livestream on Facebook:

by Rhonda Cardinal and Shonda Croly

If you don't have Facebook you will need to sign up for a page. You can make your page private, even use a nickname if you want, but you will need to connect it to a mobile phone number.

To start go to your Search bar, type in Facebook Basin Street Regulars, hit enter, a search result will pop up, pick Basin Street Regulars Home/Facebook/. Click on Create New Account. Give a first and last name and then a mobile number, pick your gender, create a password.

A code will be sent to your phone, type your code in to confirm. Allow for notifications. At this point you can add friends or skip. You can add a photo at this point or hit next. Now hit the magnifying glass and type Basin Street Regulars; when the search results show up there will be two Basin Streets ID's, pick the one with Jasper the Jubilee Seagull. A photo of Gino and the Lone Gunmen will pop up. See the Thumbs Up Like button tap on it.

Once you are here, scroll down to the live event. Turn up the sound, pour a glass of wine or whatever you fancy and enjoy.

Jubilee Corner:

by Rhonda Cardinal, Festival Director — Jazz Jubilee by the Sea



Venues for the 2021 Jubilee are still a problem to be solved. The banquet room and outdoor area at the Vespera hotel is out of our financial range. Seacrest is only available the weekend of October 29th. We have preliminary agreements for the Vet's Hall, Addie Street and the Edgewater for the weekend of October 22nd with a back-up of the 29th. Valerie Mercado from Noble Productions is assisting us.

We need to establish venues so we can move forward with the rest of our planning. At our last Jubilee meeting, more venue locations were suggested and we are looking into those, including St. Anthony's. We should have final venue information as well as an initial list of bands next month.

If you want to be part of the planning committee, please contact me at (805) 937-9402 or e-mail me at jwcardinal@msn.com. There is always room for more help and everyone brings something to the table. Our meetings have generally been on the first Tuesday of the month at 2:00. I hope to hear from you.

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Membership

We finished out 2020 with **295** members, **58** of our members had Silver Memberships. Our current 2021 membership is starting out slow, we have **57** members that have renewed their membership, **21** of them are Silver Members. This year we have decided to have a drawing for a \$50 Visa Card as a membership incentive. To get your name in the drawing all you must do is pay your membership no later than April 15th. We will draw the lucky winner at our April Sunday Session. Please renew your membership by sending in the membership form, found on our website or in the e-newsletter, with your payment. If you would like me to send you a form give me a call and I will drop the form in the mail to you. If paying on PayPal please note if your payment is a membership or donation, it helps us know where the money should go. Our BSR Facebook page has 841 followers and our Jubilee page has 5946 followers. If you have not hit the follow button, please do so; this will help you see all our posts. If there is an event or a change of bands or venues, you will get a notification. Facebook is a great way to see photos of our events, watch the livestream and get announcements of upcoming events. Please let me know if I spell your name wrong. If you need to change your address, email or phone number, please contact me at shamrockshonda59@gmail.com or call me at home 805-937- 2419. Please remember **MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE NOW**.

Thank You, Shonda Croly, Membership Chairman



2021 Silver Members

Alice Addison
Jim Borland
James Brandon & Carol Snyder
Jeff & Rhonda Cardinal
Eric & Shonda Crowly
Perry Dove

Michael Dubin
David McLaughlin
Jim & Sharon O'Connor
Hugh Robinson
Bill & Carol Rust
Joe Siegel & Susan Snyder

LaDean Talcott Mario Tognazzini Fran Willey



OFF BEAT

The President's Message:

by Sandy Smallwood, President BSR

Hurray it is finally 2021! The best is yet to come, and we can hope for things to work out better this year.

Good news we have had a great response to the ballot for Board Elections included in last month's newsletter, and all who ran for office won. Thank you for all your support!

We are still unable to use the Vets Hall for our club events, but we continue to provide you with music via YouTube.

It is time again to renew your Basin Street Regulars membership. We depend on and appreciate your support, especially during these difficult times, so please renew on line or send us a check as soon as you can.

So looking forward to seeing you all soon. Stay well.

Sunshine

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.

2020 Jazz Jubilee FACE MASKS for sale on website

Face Masks are available for sale on our Jubilee website. Go to Pismojazz.com, click on "Jazz Jubilee by the Sea" and then click on "Sponsor a Band or Donate". The icon of the face mask will come up. The masks are \$12.00 each. This is an easy and fun way to support this year's event and is sure to become a collector's item! Wear it with pride; explain it to your friends!



December Sunday Session

by Shonda Crowly

Our December Holiday party started out with no ribbons or bows, no fancy outfits no pretty hats, and no yummy smells from the dinner we normally share. We were missing the smiles from friends we hold dear. COVID-19 has taken a lot from us this year, but not even that would stop our Holiday Celebration. We had the most perfect weather for an outdoor concert, making it hard to believe it was December.



The Jingle Belles are a female, A cappella trio. The ladies were very pretty in their dresses from the 40s, each in a different color, red, green and blue accessorized with 40s styled hats, black jackets and black gloves. They started the first set with "Deck the Halls" followed by the "Christmas Song." Everyone was feeling the holiday spirit by the time they sang "Here Comes Santa Claus." Their wish list was very amazing in "Santa Baby," and "Mary Did You Know" left tears in our eyes.

The rest of the year the Jingle Belles are known as Mixed Company, with Andrews Sisters-style songs from the 20s to the 40s. To show us their other side, they sang "Chattanooga Choo Choo" and "It's Been A Long, Long Time." We had a sing along of Silver Bells. They finished the set with a cute little ditty, "Have Yourself a COVID Little Christmas".

Gary Ryan, who was originally going to be

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playing our December session, sent us a sweet video to play while we set the stage up for *The Amigos*. Gary entertained us on his banjo as he strummed a medley of Christmas tunes. Thanks Gary, wish you, Igor and the rest of the gang could have been here.



Then our very own local band, *The Amigos*, took the stage. They started out the set with "Jersey Bounce." Fernie Monreal who was sitting in for Ken Heiges sang, "Jingle Bell Rock." Sandy sang "Blue Moon" and "What a Little Moonlight Can Do." Fernie sang "Feliz Navidad" and Jeff sang "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree." The Amigos finished up with Jeff singing "Sweet Loraine."



Champagne was served during the set, and so not all our traditions disappeared this year!

The *Jingle Belles* took the stage for their last set with their rendition of "Have a Holly

Jolly Christmas" and "I'll be Home for Christmas". They also sang "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree." You cannot have Christmas music without "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer." They sang more songs from the Mixed Company repertoire "Juke Box Saturday Night," and "We'll Meet Again." We loved their short version of "The Twelve Days of Christmas." They finished the set with "We Wish You a Merry Christmas." Their notes were floating in the air and in our hearts as we left with the Spirit of Christmas in our souls.

Remember when you see Rhonda and Jeff Cardinal to thank them for making 10 months of live-streaming possible. They kept BSR and the Jazz Jubilee going during an exceedingly difficult year. Thank you, Rhonda, Jeff and the volunteers for all your work. 2020 goes down in history as the year that anything was possible, not the year that went missing with the TP.

Jingle Belles: Linda Wilson, Donna Jones and Terri Kahn

The Amigos: Sandy Smallwood; Vocals, Frank Coop; Lead Guitar, Jeff Cardinal; Vocals and Bass Guitar, Del Gomes; Piano, Clarinet and Saxophone, substituting for Ken Heiges was Fernie Monreal; Drums and Vocals.

If you missed the show you can still watch it on Facebook or on YouTube. If you would like to send a tip you can do it through PayPal at www.paypal.me/basinstreetregulars or you can mail tips to BSR Tip Jar, PO Box 356, Pismo Beach, CA 93448.

Thank You

We want to say thank you for all the tips, sponsorships, and support you give to the Basin Street Regulars and Jazz Jubilee by the Sea. We could not do this with out the tips. Most tip jar donations are anonymous, but I can thank some of you that mailed tips or went through PayPal: Carol Goedde, Anita Soloman, Kevin Keeney, Sue Prior, Marianne Morgen, John and Linda Shorb, Louise Graves and Alice Addison. Just know we thank **all** of you.

Election Results Finalized

Thank you to all who voted in our mail-in election. This is the highest response we have gotten in many years-65 ballots! We really appreciate everyone taking the time to complete the ballots and mail them in. We are all coming up with creative ways to make our organization work in this difficult time. Below is the roster of confirmed 2021 Officers.

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Tidbits from *The Syncopated Times* January 2021

by Linda Shorb

The national Jazz Newspaper, *The Syncopated Times*, is featuring articles on artists and by writers that we know over here on the West Coast.

An article by our Jubilee friend, Joe Bebco, caught my eye. It is on the YouTube videos on Trad Jazz by Dan Zeilinger.

This week Dan Zeilinger interviewed Carl Sonny Leyland. Sonny talks about how he fell in love Boogie Woogie. Did you know that Sonny is a self-taught pianist? His story about his one and only piano teacher will take you by surprise. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E8vToOba47s

Dan has many interviews with West Coast artists such as Patrick Skiffington, Clint Baker, Riley Baker, Bill Dendle, C. J. Sames, Corey Gemme, Jim Maihack, Bob Ringwald, Bonnie Otto, and Howard Miyata. https://www.youtube.com/channel/

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https://syncopatedtimes.com/dan-zeilingers-trad-jazz-today-brings-excellent-interviews-to-youtube/

Brian Holland and Danny Coots will be joined by bassist Steve Pikal for a Live Stream Event Saturday, Jan 30th at 5 pm PST (Eagles & Ivories Ragtime Concert). This two-hour program also features Jeff and Anne Barnhart. Chase Garrett will be playing Boogie and Blues. This program is free. All tips will be split amount the performers. http://www.muscatineartscouncil.org/

The monthly column by Adrian Cunningham (Professor Cunningham) is always worth checking out. This month he wrote, "My Time with the Nighthawks." Did you know that "The Professor" led the sax section in *Vince Giordano and the Nighthawks* just a few years ago? https://syncopatedtimes.com/my-time-with-the-nighthawks/

Michael Steinman attended the 2018 Jazz Jubilee by the Sea. His Pismo videos are on YouTube and are still gaining likes. Michael writes Traditional Jazz articles on his blog, "Jazz Lives," https://jazzlives.wordpress.com/

Michael wrote a Syncopated Times article on his interview with a young New York musician, "Fat Cat" Mathew Rivera. https://syncopatedtimes.com/apostle-of-shellac-mathew-fat-cat-rivera/

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Festival Dates

<u>Eagles and Ivories Ragtime Concert</u> (Muscatine, IA) Jan 30, 5 PM PST Live Stream

<u>Sounds of Mardi Gras</u> (Fresno, CA), Feb 11-14 (POSTPONED)

<u>Jazz Bash by the Bay</u> (Monterey, CA) Mar. 5-7 (CANCELED)

<u>JazzAffair</u> (Three Rivers, CA) Apr. 9-11

<u>Jazz in the Olympics</u> (Port Angeles, WA) (POSTPONED)

Bix Jazz Festival (Davenport, IA) Aug. 5-7, 50th Anniversary

Evergreen Jazz Festival (Evergreen, CO) July 23-25

Hot Jazz Jubilee (Sacramento, CA) Sept. 3-6

Redwood Coast Music Festival (Eureka, CA) Sept. 30 - Oct. 3

<u>Colorado Springs Jazz Party</u> (Colorado Springs, CO) Oct. 2-3

<u>Jazz Fest at Sea</u> (Caribbean Cruise) Oct. 3-10

<u>Sun Valley Jazz Festival</u> (Sun Valley, ID) Oct. 13-17

Jazz Jubilee By The Sea (Pismo Beach, CA) Oct. 22-24

Arizona Classic Jazz Festival (Chandler, AZ.) Nov. 4-7

<u>Suncoast Jazz Festival</u> (Clearwater, FL) Nov. 19- 21

<u>San Diego Jazz Fest & Swing Extravaganza</u> (San Diego, CA) Nov. 24 - 28

BASIN STREET REGULARS

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

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If you are into social media, we would **love** it if you would go on our Facebook pages and **like** us. We have three Facebook pages, Basin Street Regulars, Pismo Jazz Jubilee and Rhonda BSR Cardinal. We also have our own YouTube channel, just look for Basin Street Regulars. You can find photos and videos from our Sunday Sessions and from Jazz Jubilee by the Sea.





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Upcoming Events:

Basin Street Regulars
Dance Concerts

Save the Dates

February 28th, TBA

March 28th, TBA

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