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December 2022

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Our December 18th Show & Christmas Party featuring The Friendly Neighborhood Big Band by Rhonda Cardinal

Featured Band: The Friendly Neighborhood Big Band

The Friendly Neighborhood Big Band is a 16-member traveling big band formed in March. 2019. The formation of the band was the brain child of Mitch Latting, David Johns, and Danny Beher. The group is directed by Mitch Latting. Members of the band reside in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties. We have been providing audiences with performances of great jazz standards as well as original jazz tunes. The band rehearses every week, even during the pandemic while observing social distancing. Each time we get together for "rehearsals," we do a lot of sight reading of music. Sight reading is the practice of reading music that we have not played before or for some time. The band members have years of experience playing with various groups and are delighted to be affiliated with the FNBB.

Opening Act: Three Martini Lunch

Three Martini Lunch has 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, Tony Bennett and Instrumental Pop and Movie Themes of the 1950's & 60's. Three Martini Lunch has been featured in SLO Life Magazine. Three Martini Lunch has also appeared in one of SLO Life Magazine's Television Commercials. They were the House Band at The Lido Restaurant and Lounge at Dolphin Bay Resort & Spa, in Shell Beach, California from 2007 to 2015.

They enjoyed a 14th year residency at the Sea Venture Resort and Restaurant located in Pismo Beach, California. Most recently they were the opening act for Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons at The California Midstate Fair. Three Martini Lunch is also a "Loved Vendor" of SLO Wedding Planners.

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We will not be Livestreaming in December. We videotaped the November show and will upload it when we can. We are also planning to Livestream for eight hours on the Saturday of Jubilee, at the Vet's Hall.

To see the October show and all other previous shows, go to our website, http:// pismojazz.com/ and scroll down until you see the link for the BasinStreetRegulars YouTube Channel. Or go directly to: https:// www.youtube.com/user/BasinStreetRegulars/. You can also see it on our Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/ BasinStreetRegulars and look under videos. And while you're at it, check out all of our videos, starting with the most recently uploaded.

Schedule for Sunday the 18th:

11:00-12:30 Jam Session

11:30-12:30 Appetizers

12:30-12:50 Clean-up/Set-up

12:50-1:45 Three Martini Lunch

1:00 **Lunch Starts**

1:45-2:00 Reset

2:00 Champagne Toast

2:00-4:00 Friendly Neighborhood Big

Band with a break



Holiday Lunch Menu, LIVING LIFE December 18, 2022

Savory Cranberry Glazed Pork Roast Rosemary/ Cranbarry **Chicken Breast** Stuffing Mashed Potatoes Herbed Gravy **Green Beans** Green Salad Dinner Rolls

Vegan Option: Stuffed Portabella Mushroom Wild Rice Green Beans Green Salad Dinner Rolls If you want to Guarantee a Vegan Option, please R.S.V.P by December 15th.

Text or call: Kim 805 441-1101 or email Livinglifecatering@gmail.com

President's Message

It has been 3 years since we hosted a live Jazz Jubilee by the Sea, but not for lack of trying or planning. In 2020, around July, we

decided that we would not be able to hold a live festival and needed to have a virtual festival instead. We executed this event with great success and felt confident that we would be able to hold an in-person event the following year. We started planning in early 2021, continuing all the way through August before it became apparent that we would not be able to pull it off. Instead, we hosted the biggest back yard Livestreamed show that we had ever thrown- The Creole Syncopators followed by Tom Rigney and Flambeau. It was a huge success by back yard standards, but still not a festival.

In order to have an event, you must first have venues, and it was a good six months into 2022 before we were assured that we would be able to secure the venues we needed to host an event of this size. We have been wanting to try moving the date to January for guite some time, and this was our golden opportunity. We were also hoping to finally get past the pandemic and all of its associated anxiety and restrictions.

So here we are in January of 2023. As it happens, we are hosting this event during Martin Luther King weekend and to that end, are trying to add a dimension to our line-up that will honor the spirit of this holiday.

Speaking of honoring, it is our pleasure this year to highlight Mr. Willard Blackwell, leader and founder of the great band Gator Nation, with our cover painting by the supremely talented Priscilla Wilson. Mr. Blackwell and his band have brought a lot of joy to this and other festivals throughout the west, and we are pleased to have him perform and feature him on our cover.

Our goal at Jazz Jubilee this year and every year is to throw a huge party and invite everyone to it. You are all guests at our party! We want every set to knock your socks off. We are here to show you a good time and we want to have a good time too!

So let's do it! Let the party begin.

Upcoming BSR Sunday Events

January 12-15 - Jazz Jubilee By the Sea

February 26th - Cell Block 7 and the Cuesta

College Jazz Band.



In the Wings

We have some great shows coming up for you in December and February. January will be Jazz Jubilee by the Sea.

In February, we will feature Cell Block 7 and the Cuesta College Jazz Band.

Cell Block 7 - Best watch out...the boys have escaped again. Disguised as musicians and armed with a weird collection of antique musical instruments, our favorite cons are on the loose again!

While these "musical delinquents" continue to evade the authorities, we hope you'll be captured by their unique brand of hot jazz, novelty numbers and general disregard of acceptable behavior.

Cell Block 7 has been performing and entertaining folks thought the Western US and beyond for over 30 years. Noted for their virtuosity and variety, they are comfortable in just about any setting - including the local lock-up! If you want high energy music that will please young and old alike, Cell Block 7 is the band of choice!

Cuesta College Jazz Band This will be our first school band appearance in 2023. We hope to feature school bands from February through May. The Cuesta College jazz ensemble is the premier jazz group at Cuesta featuring a full big band, students of all ages playing exciting music from classics to funk, Count Basie to "bossas." This group has long been known for its great music, advocacy for jazz and presence in the community. The February show will feature some swing classics and a sprinkling of modern big band sounds. We will be passing that hat, as is our tradition, so please be ready for it!

Christmas Party in December:

We will be having our 11th annual Holiday Party on December 18th at the Vet's Hall.

The Friendly Neighborhood Big Band will be our featured band. Admission will be free for members this month and we will not charge for the food. Nonmembers will pay \$10 for admittance. Our meal will be prepared by Living Life Catering. The menu is on page 2. Please feel free to bring something to add to the festivities, a tasty appetizer or a mouthwatering desert, with individual wrappings or servings if possible. We ask for a \$5.00 contribution if you do not bring anything. Please bring disposable serving dishes; no one will be washing any dishes after our feast. 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 2:00; one glass of complimentary champagne will be provided. This is a flagship event for our club, and we encourage everyone to attend.

Please call Rhonda Cardinal at (805) 937 8402 or e-mail her at jwcardinal@msn.com if you wish to attend. We would like to get a headcount for our caterer. Thanks.

Jubilee Corner

by Rhonda Cardinal





*Note: The Vets Hall Lobby is the "Box Office" for Jubilee where during the festival you can pick up Will Call badges and can also purchase tickets there.

We are actively looking for Jubilee Site Captains to work half shifts during the festival. We have some new people volunteering for these positions, but we need more. If you are interested, please contact Nancy Ragsdale. Her contact info is located below.

If you want to be part of the planning committee, please contact me at (805) 937-8402 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 Zoom on the first Tuesday of

Volunteers Needed for Jubilee

We are starting to build our volunteer database for Jubilee 2023. The dates are January 12th-15th. If you work 8 hours over 2 days, you get a three-day pass. If you work 4 hours for one day, you get a one-day badge. Those that are interested in volunteering at the festival or possibly being a Site Captain (full or half-day shifts), please call or e-mail Nancy Ragsdale at: nrags531@gmail.com 805-471-0895.

We also need Sound volunteers, coordinated by Rhonda Cardinal or Badge Sale volunteers, coordinated by Sandy Smallwood. Rhonda Cardinal can be reached at jwcardinal@msn.com or (805) 937 8402. Sandy Smallwood can be reached at sandysmallwood@charter.net or (805) 458 7892.

We appreciate any hours you can give to us for this come-back event.



Hotel/Motel Offers 2023 Jazz Jubilee by the Sea

Reservation Note: When making a reservation, be sure to mention "Jubilee by the Sea Jazz Festival" and ask about special rates (see notes below). Also, if you are an AAA member, AARP member, or Military member, many hotels will offer a discount. All listed rates do not include room tax, unless noted. Not all links work with every browser or computer. Copy and paste the suggested link or enter the hotel name and location in your browser.

Morning hotel pick-ups will not be routinely offered this year without prior arrangements.

We are trying to make the best use of our limited resources. In any case, all Jubilee buses are equipped with wheelchair lifts. Reservations for hotel pick-ups for special needs attendees or those without other ground transportation must be made with a pre-arranged phone call. These pick-ups should be within the perimeter of the festival venues (Pismo Beach and Grover Beach). If you wish to travel outside the festival area, a taxi, Uber or Lyft would be more appropriate unless you are special needs.

If you know that you will need a hotel or campground pick-up please feel free to make arrangements now by calling (805) 878-3616.

You may also make arrangements during the festival by calling the above number between 7:30 -8:00 am on Friday and Saturday. If a hotel pickup is needed on Sunday, arrangements must be made by 5:00 pm Saturday night. Timing for hotel pick-ups will be established during the phone conversation.

Generic Links for Hotel Rates

AG: https://www.visitarroyogrande.org/stay/
Pismo: https://www.visitarroyogrande.org/stay/
Pismo: https://www.visitarroyogrande.org/stay/
Pismo: https://www.experiencepismobeach.com/
places-to-stay/

Vespera Resort On Pismo Beach: An ocean front, luxury hotel. 147 Stimson Avenue, Pismo Beach

Phone: 805-773-1011(Request Sales Dept./

Tiffany)

Rates for Jazz Jubilee Festival attendees: \$239 per night for a standard king or a two queen room. (these rates are not open for two more weeks)

Beach House Inn and Suites

198 Main Street, Pismo Beach

Phone: 805-773-7476

Rates for Jazz Jubilee Attendees: \$175. per night

Pismo View Inn

555 Camino Mercado, Arroyo Grande

Phone: 805-481-4774

Rates: Wednesday, 1/11/2023: \$65.+tax;

Thursday, 1/12/2023: \$65+tax Friday, 1/13/2023:\$119 +tax; Saturday, 1/14/2023:\$119 +tax; Sunday, 1/15/2023: \$65+tax

Camp Arroyo Grande

250 Wesley Street, Arroyo Grande 805-249-9517

10% discount; use Code EBBD1SCX

Rates: Cabins, with shared bathroom facilities:

\$60-\$75 per night; Link to book:

https://www.hipcamp.com/en-US/land/californiacamp-arroyo-grande

SeaCrest Oceanfront Hotel

2241 Price Street, Pismo Beach 805-773-4608

Rates for Jazz Jubilee Attendees

Day	Standard King 2 Queens	Oceanfront King 2 Queens	Deluxe King 2 Queens
Thr., Jan 12	\$139	\$159	\$179
Fri., Jan. 13	\$239	\$259	\$279
Sat., Jan. 14	\$309	\$329	\$359

Group Code: Jazz Jubilee 2023, booking link

15% off

Dates of stay: **January 12 -16,2023** Phone number: **805-773-4608 opt 2**

General info to include for Tides, Sea Crest and

Inn at the Cove: Please call Nacosha at

805-773-3715 for any assistance.

Inn at the Cove: 15% off BAR (Best Available Rate) for weekend. Discount is only available via booking link.

Inn at the Cove Booking Link - 15% off!

Tides: 15% off BAR for weekend. Discount is only available via booking link. <u>Tides Booking Link</u> – 15%off!

The Agrarian Hotel

gm@agrarianhotel.com

(805) 574-6040

325 East Branch Street Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

We can offer 20% off our rates for that weekend, which are listed below + tax of course.

\$151.99 Wednesday, Thursday & Sunday

\$191.99 Friday

\$199.99 Saturday



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Oxford Suites

651 Five Cities Dr. Pismo Beach Phone: 805-773-3773 ext.1 Rates for Jazz Jubilee Attendees Promocode: JAZZJUBILEE2023

http://bookings.ihotelier.com/bookings.jsp?groupID=3710077&hotelID=106557

Day	15 Executive King Suites	15 Family Two Queen Suites
Thurs., Jan 12	\$135+tax	\$160+tax
Fri., Jan. 13	\$150+tax	\$190+tax
Sat., Jan. 14	\$150+tax	\$190+tax

Kon Tiki

1621 Price Street Pismo Beach

Call to make reservations: 805 773 4833
On the ocean, offering seasonally adjusted rates
Just a 7 minute walk away from two Jubilee
venues: SeaCrest/Blast and The Edgewater
(all as of 11/21/22)

Shuttle Bus Information Jazz Jubilee



Free shuttle bus transportation is available for all badge identified attendees, with four buses operating on Friday and Saturday and three buses on Sunday.

Shuttle buses will be parked at the Grover Beach Community Center, the Ramona Garden Park Center, the Blast and Brew Party Room, and the Pismo Beach Veteran's Hall by 10:15 on Friday and 9:30 am. on Saturday and Sunday. The Skyroom at the Edgewater will be serviced by the Veteran's Hall bus.

We recommend that attendees drive to the three venues with the largest parking lots: the Pismo Vet's Hall, The Grover Beach Community Center or the Ramona Garden Park Facility for event parking. Auxiliary parking will be available at an additional lot near the Grover Beach Community Center. See your program map to guide you to the venue locations. Parking is available at the Blast and Brew Party room but can be impacted by the restaurant operations upstairs. Parking at the fifth venue, the Edgewater Hotel, is also limited due to its proximity to the beach, weather dependent.

On Saturday night only, the Veteran's Hall/ Edgewater bus will be able to drop you off at Puffer's of Pismo for their special Saturday night Jubilee show and will pick you up after the show. Feel free to drive to your first-choice event venue. Or drive to any venue location and, after parking, board one of the four buses departing in a route for all other venues by approximately 10:15 am on Friday and 9:30 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. You can park at any venue and get to your first venue choice in time to hear great jazz music by the start of the first set!

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After each set is over just board a shuttle bus to change venues. Each bus will leave within ten minutes after the music ends, unless the bus fills up sooner. In that case the bus will depart and you can board the next arriving bus, which will arrive in just a few minutes. All buses will rotate clockwise around the venue circuit.

Bus stop locations are marked with signs at each music venue.

Three shuttle buses will be available on Sunday, with one bus continuing to be shared between the Veteran's Hall and the Edgewater and one bus shared between the Grover Beach Community Center and the Ramona Garden Park Center. Attendees waiting for a bus at the Ramona Garden Park Center on Sunday will just have a minute or two longer wait for the bus arrival.

Pismo Beach is a tourist destination and traffic can be congested. Our shuttle buses may get you to a venue faster than you can drive and park your own car, with less stress, and drop you off closest to the entrance door to each venue! Enjoy the ride!

Shuttle bus questions? Call (805) 878-3616 upon receipt of this letter and/or during the festival. Please note: It is approximately 3 miles from the Pismo venues to the Grover Beach venues, all on surface streets.

OFF BEAT

Community Shows-Jubilee Extras

In addition to our regular shows during Jubilee. we are offering additional shows before, during, and after the event.

Wed. Jan. 11, 6-10 PM Creole Syncopators and George's Jubilee All-Stars, Harry's Nightclub and Beach Bar, 690 Cypress St., Pismo Beach Tickets at: http://www.harryspismobeach.com/

Thursday afternoon Jan 12th, time TBD: Wine reception with Yve Evans at the Sea Crest Hotel, 2241 Price Street in Pismo Beach.

Thursday night 6-9:00 PM we will feature Groovus plus Cunningham at the Pismo Beach Veteran's

Building. Food and beverages will be available for sale. Tickets are \$30 each and are available on our Jubilee badge sale site: https://my805tix.com/? topic=festival

Saturday Night from 7 - 10 PM, Big Sirs of Swing will be playing. Puffers of Pismo, 781 Price Street, Pismo Beach https://puffersofpismo.com/

Sunday night, Jan. 15th 5:00 - 8:00 PM Groovus. (minus the Professor), Puffers of Pismo, 781 Price Street, Pismo Beach for a relaxed recap of the Thursday night show minus the Professor. Food and beverages will be available. https:// puffersofpismo.com/

MEMBERSHIP Dues deadline is January 1, 2023. Because of the Holds Harmless policy, I will need everyone to fill out a new membership form this year. The form will be in our E-Letter, I can email it to you or mail you a copy. I will also have it at our Sunday Sessions. If you pay your dues on PayPal, please mail me a filled-out form.

Our Current membership is **306** members, and **67** are Silver Members. We want to welcome our new members, MaryAnn White, Bill and Barbara Sheckherd. We have 1034 followers on our BSR Facebook page and 5908 followers on our Jubilee Facebook page. Thanks for hitting those "LIKE" buttons. We now have an Instagram account with 277 followers. Did you know that you can subscribe to our You Tube channels? It's free to subscribe. We have 710 subscribers on our Basin Street Regulars channel. Our Pismo Jazz Jubilee only has 75. Please go subscribe, you will want that channel by the time Jazz Jubilee gets here! Let me know about any changes to your membership information. Deadline for dues is January 1, 2023. You can reach me at shamrockshonda59@gmail.com or call me at 805-937-2419, for changes or questions.

Shonda Croly, Membership

Membership Rates: Student \$20, Single \$25, Couple \$40, Family \$50, (these memberships pay \$5 to get Sunday sessions), Silver \$100 (per person, you get into Sunday Sessions and the picnic for free!) into the

2022 Silver Members

Anne Abler & Richard Woodworth Richard Adams & Nanette Guerin Alice Addison Mary Baimonte Jim Borland Diane Brand Herschel Brown Nancy Bull Paul Buscaino Meg Crockett Eric & Shonda Croly Debi Burdman-Deutsch

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Please consider becoming a Silver Member





Brass Nickels

Wonderful November Session

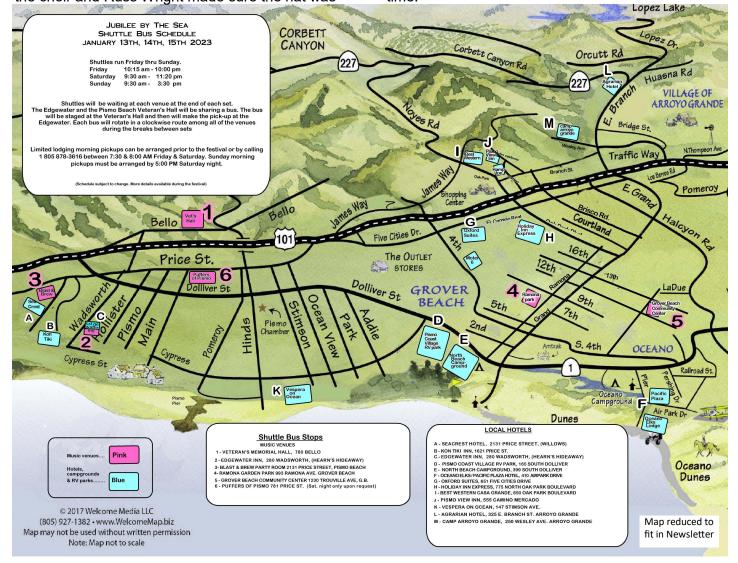
by Shonda Croly

On November 20th we gathered at the Vets Hall for our monthly jazz infusion. It was a week earlier than normal due to the Thanksgiving holiday The opening band was Vocé, from Cuesta College. They sounded amazing even though several of the male voices were out sick. There were 9 singers on the stage, a drummer, keyboard and guitar player. John Knutson the leader was on the keyboard and singing. The set started with, "No Strings," "Amazing Grace," really showed off their gifted voices. Our dancers were gliding across the floor to, "Easy Street," "My Funny Valentine," and "Fly Me to the Moon." Vocé has Christmas concert at Cuesta College on Friday December 16th at 7:30 PM. They gave us a taste with, "We Three Kings," and "Silver Bells." Concert tickets are available at https:// cuesta.universitytickets.com/?cid=167 for \$15. The set was finished off with, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," "Crazy," and "Do You Know What I Want." We heard so many great comments about the choir and Russ Wright made sure the hat was

passed collecting \$225 for the choir.

Brass Nickels Jazz Band was our headliner, all faces we know and love. The faces are the same, but over the years the name has changed from Wooden Nickel to Pub Crawlers, then to Brass Nickels. We all missed Otis Morning, who was out sick. It was great that Bonnie traveled from Arizona to be with us. The first set started out with, "Big Bear Stomp." It was followed by, "Some of These Days," and "Hello Central, Give me Dr. Jazz." So many favorite songs, "The Blues My Naughty Sweetie Gives Me," and, "Do You Know What it Means to Miss New Orleans." "When My Dreamboat Comes In," started a very long umbrella parade. The set ended with, "Jelly Roll Blues."

After the break we came back to the second set which was shorter. Sorry I didn't catch all the tunes that were played as I was busy with membership. "Sweet Georgia Brown," is always a favorite and fun to dance to. Bonnie sang, "Bye Bye Black Bird." We had another umbrella parade to, "Bourbon Street Parade." The set ended with Buddy Bolden." The music was great, but please don't tell Dave that the jokes were really bad. We hope he works on his jokes for next time!



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Upcoming Events:

Basin Street Regulars
Christmas Party
Featuring
Friendly Neighborhood
Big Band &
Three Martini Lunch

as Opening Act 12:50 -1:45

December 18th

11:00 AM Jam Session

Pismo Beach Vets Hall • RSVP!