



# 077 BEAT

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## ***February 25th Show:***

### ***The Starlight Dreamband and the San Luis Obispo High School Honors Jazz Band***

*by Rhonda Cardinal*

The Starlight Dreamband from San Luis Obispo, and the SLO High School Honors Jazz Band, also from San Luis Obispo, will be playing "Hot Swingin' Jazz" at the Basin Street Regulars' Sunday afternoon Concert 11:00 to 4:00 on Sunday, February 25th. The show will take place at Pismo Beach Veteran's Memorial Building, 780 Bello Street in Pismo Beach. Admission is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members and \$5.00 for jammers. Buy memberships at the event! Food and drinks will be sold and there will be a generous wood dance floor for dancing to these two great bands.

Tickets available online at:

<https://www.my805tix.com/e/starlightdreamband-022524-tix> or:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/starlight-dreamband-brought-to-you-by-basin-street-regulars-tickets-829756663517?aff=ehometext>

## ***Featured Band:***

The Starlight Dreamband is comprised of some of the finest musicians on the California Central Coast. Presenting top quality dance music with a more than casual nod to the great American standards, The Starlight Dreamband performs various styles of highly popular music. This performance will feature popular Central Coast jazz vocalist, Katheryn Loomis.

Musicians in the band include:

Kathryn Loomis - vocals  
Rebecca McClafflin - Piano  
Travis Harms - Bass  
Darrell Voss - Drums  
Charlotte Belyea - Alto & Soprano Saxophone



Karl Welz - Tenor Saxophone  
Ron McCarley - Baritone Saxophone & Flute  
Bob Bennett - 1st Trumpet  
Robert Alberts - 2nd Trumpet & Bandleader  
Rich Ward - 3rd Trumpet  
Ron Phillips: Trombone

## ***Opening Band:***

### ***The San Luis Obispo High School Honors Band***



Our February opening band is the SLOHS Honors Jazz Band. This will be the second time this 17-piece band has played for us. The San Luis Obispo High School Band Program is a comprehensive music program and is SLO County's largest band program with approximately 100 students involved each year. The impressive array of curricular and co-curricular ensembles is organized in a logical sequence of instruction, which helps each student develop his or her talent and ability while maintaining the highest standards of performance. Each of their performing ensembles and related groups has received superior ratings at festivals and competitions in all areas of band performance. Their reputation for quality music performances is second only to the reputation enjoyed for the outstanding quality of young adults

who pass through these ensembles.

The SLOHS Honors Jazz Band is an audition only group that features the top players in the school. This group goes to several festivals and clinics throughout the year. They also perform for the school and throughout the community."

## February is Mardi Gras Month

Mardi Gras will be behind us, but we will celebrate anyway. Wear your fancy Mardi Gras clothes. Our jam session will feature a New Orleans theme.

## Food and Drinks at the Vet's Hall

We will have food and beverages provided for our February Sunday session. Sonny and April Paz from Burgers & More will be our chefs that day. They will also be running the bar. Beer and wine only. We are not planning to have hard liquor at the Vet's Hall anymore.

### Timeline for Sunday February 25th:

11:00 - 12:30	Jam Session
12:30 - 12:50	Clean-up/Set-up
12:50 - 1:40	SLO HS Honors Jazz Band
1:40 - 2:00	Reset
2:00 - 4:00	Starlight Dreamband (with a break)

## Prez Says

I lost one of my oldest friends, Tricia, this week.

Her husband, Ken, called me Tuesday in the middle of the BSR Board meeting and I knew it wasn't going to be good news, so I called him back immediately afterwards. Her passing was unexpected and shocking to all who knew her.

I met her in a Creative Writing class in High School. I was a Freshman and she was a Junior. Tricia had her own car, a huge light-blue four door sedan she named "Babycakes". She could and would go anywhere in it, usually fast. I went on many joy rides with her- to local restaurants and malls and to the UCLA campus where she had a friend she liked to see. I never got home in time, to the constant irritation of my mother.

We would go to and order drinks at El Torito in Lakewood, even though we were both under-age. They never carded anyone back then. The waiter asked us how old we were, and Tricia replied without blinking, "I'm 26 and she's 24." No

further questions were asked, and our margaritas were served.

Tricia's roots were in Hawaii, her father was a Navy man, and met her mother during WW II in Hawaii. Her maiden name was Ley, and she told me that she was related to the physicist, Willy Ley.

She lived in California for many years, then moved to Hawaii. I visited her there several times, the first time when I was 18. I got a \$300 settlement from a car accident in my Gremlin (not my fault!) and used the money to buy a plane ticket to Hawaii. It was a memorable week. The drinking age was 18 and we bought a lot of it, mostly unconsumed by the time I left.

Before I was involved in Basin Street Regulars, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, there were the Science Fiction Clubs. I started one in High School and another one in College. In my first year at Cerritos College, Tricia and I and some other friends put on a Science Fiction Convention on the campus. We called it FalCon, after the school mascot. We met many famous authors during that year.

Later on, Tricia met her husband Ken in Hawaii and I went over there for their wedding.

A few years later, they moved back to California, and I helped Ken get a job at McDonnell Douglas, where I was working at the time. This was only fitting, because a friend of Tricia's helped me get my first job at McDonnell Douglas, which started my 35-year career with that company (later Boeing and ULA). Ken is still working there.

Tricia was the Matron of Honor at my wedding. Her children were one of my flower girls and the ring bearer, respectively.

Ken and Tricia and I had a common love for Science Fiction and the blockbuster movies that came out in the 70's; Star Wars, Raiders, and Star Trek. We would get in line two hours before the movie started on opening day and buy and eat pizza while we waited. We all went to a Russian play that featured most of the cast of "Star Trek, the Next Generation".

After we moved to Santa Maria, it was harder to see them, averaging about every two or three years. They favored a certain Eagles tribute band and so one time we met them for



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concert at the Chumash Casino. More recently, we had dinner with them in November, before my birthday trip to Catalina. I'm glad that I got to spend that time with her.

The next time I will see that family will be at a memorial in April.

Tricia is woven into the fabric of my life. I feel that some of my threads are unraveling.

## Limited Number of BSR Young Musician Scholarships Now Available

We are looking for young people who want to play traditional jazz and learn improvisational techniques that were created in the back alleys and bars of New Orleans in the 1920's.

**2024 Jazz Camp Scholarships** There is a youth jazz camp held every summer in the mountains near Sacramento. The Basin Street Regulars Jazz organization is committed to offering



scholarships for young musicians who wish to attend this camp. Each scholarship of \$825.00 pays the entire cost of the camp. We only accept 6 scholarship applicants per

school. Parents must provide transportation.

## 2024 Teagarden Jazz Camp Sessions

**Week One: 7/22-7/27;**

**Week Two: July 29-August 3**

<http://www.sacjazzcamp.org/>

Our club has sent a total of 9 to 12 young musicians to this camp every year. We have also sponsored youth bands to participate in the Sacramento Traditional Jazz Youth Band Festival (TJYBF). Some of these youth bands have become full-time musical groups, such as the Crescent Katz, and some have gone on to be professional musicians and music educators. One of our past scholarship recipients is now the band director at Nipomo High School.

## Cuesta College Summer Jazz Workshop (July 18-22, 2024)

We also provide scholarships for students to attend this jazz workshop. We will send out

details when they are available. Also check for information at [www.basinstreetregulars.com](http://www.basinstreetregulars.com)

Each applicant must complete a 2024 BSR Scholarship Application as well as an application for the camp/workshop. The BSR application will also ask for a recommendation from the music instructor and require attendance at a minimum of one BSR Sunday Session.

If you are interested in having your students apply for a Jazz Camp scholarship from our organization, please call me. LaDean Talcott 209-969-1104 or email me at [ladeantalcott@comcast.net](mailto:ladeantalcott@comcast.net). I will send you the BSR scholarship application form.

## Full House at Our Sunday Session

On January 28<sup>th</sup> we gathered at the Oceano Elks Club. The house was full, with a crowd of 155. Cuesta College Jazz Combo opened with "Fly Me to the Moon." The band was made up of six students.



Our very own David Venturini was part of the band. They also had a vocalist. The dancers had a great time dancing to "Summertime," "Sentimental Mood,"

and "Blue Skies." The vocalist left the stage when the band played, "Blue Bossa." The set ended with, "All Blues," and "All of Me."

When Carl Sonny Leyland's Boogie Woogie Boys took the stage, the joint started jump'n. The set started out hot with a boogie, "Down the Road Apiece." The dance floor was packed for, "It Feels so Good," "We're Gonna Boogie," and "One Night of Sin." Sonny dedicated, "House of Blue Lights," to our dear member, Ron Ennis. A crowd favorite was, "Avalon." Marci Jean joined the boys, can you say sizzle, "5 -10-15 Hours," and "Rock Granny Roll." Marci Jean will be on our stage again in May. When the set ended with one last Boogie Woogie the place was still jump'n. The dance floor was still full. Everyone had a great time.

The Elks venue was nice,



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but a little small for the number of dancers. The food was very tasty and worth the money.

## Looking Ahead -

### *BSR Sunday Sessions for 2024*

**March 24th:** San Lyon, a swing jazz quartet from LA (with a Parisian Gypsy Flare!) opening with the Righetti High School Jazz Band, at the Oceano Elks Lodge

**April 28th:** The Alpha Rhythm Kings from the SF Bay Area. (big name dance band we have wanted to feature for some time!), opening with Tevis Ranger Junior High Jazz Band at the Pismo Vets Hall



**May 26th:** Marci Jean and the Fever (Oh Yeah - She's Back!) Opening Band and location TBD

**June 30th:** Ginger Pauley and Hoosier Daddy featuring vintage jazz with '20s nostalgia - 9 pc band from LA! Opening band and location TBD

**August 25th:** BSR BBQ Backyard Show

**October 25-27:** A Special BSR - Central Coast Jazz weekend is in the planning stages!

July, September, November and December shows are now in the planning stages! (We welcome suggestions!) Be sure to read the

## MEMBERSHIP



Membership is DUE! We currently have **144** members, with **38** Silver Members. We want to welcome our newest members, Jackie King, Rachael Mendoza, Jean Letterman, Bridget and Robbie Hughes. We still have 147 members that have not paid for this year. If you have a change of address, email, or phone number it is important to let me know. Our membership runs from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>. We do not send out a notice, we just post this in the newsletter. If you have questions about your membership, or need to change anything, please contact me at 805-937-2419 or [shamrockshonda59@gmail.com](mailto:shamrockshonda59@gmail.com). Please let us know if you no longer want to be a member, because in April I will reach out to anyone who has not paid. **Thank you, Shonda Croly, Membership Chair**

*P.S. You can renew your membership at the Sunday Session, pay online, or mail a check to the PO Box. If you have any questions feel free to call me at 805-937-2419, or email me at [shamrockshonda59@gmail.com](mailto:shamrockshonda59@gmail.com), To pay online go to, <http://www.pismojazz.com/joinus.htm>. Send checks to Basin Street Regulars/ Membership PO Box 356 Pismo Beach, CA 93448.*

### Silver Members

Anne Abler &  
Richard Woodworth  
Alice Addison  
Mary Baiamonte  
Jim Borland  
Linda Burris  
Meg Crockett

Eric & Shonda Croly  
Linda Dutart  
Pete & Judy Felthousen  
Robert Ghilarducci  
Therese Hanlon  
Richard Harvey  
Tara Hoffman  
Jeff & Laurie Hokit  
David McLaughlin

Marianne Morgen  
Loretta Newman  
Gary Parkinson  
Sue Prior  
Nancy Ragsdale  
Curtis Reinhardt  
Ed Rush  
Lee & Carol Stewart  
LaDean Talcott

Mario Tognazzini  
Bern Verbit  
German Von Thal &  
Fran Courain  
Jason Vork &  
Vicki Pobor  
Martha Weiser  
Linda & Priscilla Wilson

## In the Wings- Our March Show:

Our March show will be held at the Oceano Elks. We will have our normal jam session starting at 11:00. Righetti High School band members may be joining us.

## Opening Band: The Earnest Righetti High School Jazz Band

Our March opening band is the Earnest Righetti High School Jazz Band. This will be the third time this 12-piece band has played for us. This band is comprised of high school musicians playing literature of varying styles of jazz such as swing, bebop, funk, etc. The goal of the band is education through performance. The jazz band works to bring forth the rich history of jazz and combo playing to the modern stage through the performance of standards and other classic charts. Beyond school functions, the band has been asked to play music at events such as fundraisers, dinners, festivals, and award ceremonies. They last performed at a BSR Sunday session in March of 2023 and were very well received. We are happy to have them back again.

## Featured Band: San Lyon

San Lyon is a swing jazz quartet based in Los Angeles. They have been playing together since 2019, specializing in jazz music from the early 20th century with a Parisian gypsy flare. They have released several albums and are continuing to write more original vintage sounding songs together. Paige Herschell on vocals, melodica and kazoo. Jenna Colombet on violin, vocals and snare drum. Katie Cavera on bass, vocals, and banjo. Dani Vargas on guitar and vocals.

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@sanlyonmusic>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/san.lyon/>

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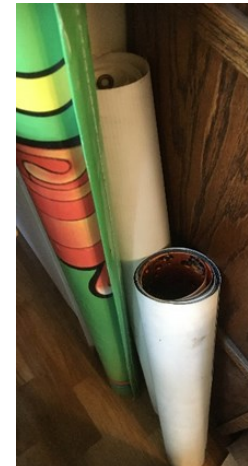
BandCamp: <https://sanlyon.bandcamp.com/music>

Online ticketing and reservations will be available at:

My805tix.com and Eventbrite.com

## Free Banners and Posters

We pulled some banners and posters out of the storage facility that we no longer need. We will have them out and available for the taking. They can be re-purposed for other uses. Please come and take them away.



## Help Support Basin Street Regulars:

Donate on-line at:  
[www.paypal.me/basinstreetregulars](http://www.paypal.me/basinstreetregulars)

or you can mail a check directly to:

Basin Street Regulars  
P.O. Box 356  
Pismo Beach, CA, 93448



## Sunshine



Shonda Croly 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 Shonda at (805) 937-2419.

## Want to Learn to Dance?

Check out Central Coast Balboa to find dance lessons and events in our area. Bring your new knowledge to the Basin Street Regulars Sunday sessions.

<https://www.centralcoastbalboa.com/>





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

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## Upcoming Events:

*Basin Street Regulars*  
*Sunday Session Featuring*  
*The Starlight Dreamband*  
*opening with*  
*San Luis Obispo High School*  
*Honors Band*  
February 25th,  
1:00 AM - 4:00 PM

*Tickets at [my805tix.com](http://my805tix.com)*