

077 BEAT

May 2024

Page 1

May 26 Show: Marci Jean & the Fever -Valerie Johnson & the Voodoo Doodads

by Rhonda Cardinal

Local favorites Marci Jean and the Fever plus the Voodoo Doodads will be playing "Hot Swingin' Jazz" at the Basin Street Regulars' Sunday afternoon Concert 12:30 to 4:00 on Sunday, May 26th. The show will take place at the Pismo Beach Veteran's Memorial Building at 780 Bello Street in Pismo Beach. Jam session starts at 11:00. Bring your instrument and join in. Jammers pay \$5.00 and must sign in at the door. Admission is now \$10 members, \$15 Non-members. Buy memberships at the event! Food and drinks and a BIG WOODEN DANCE FLOOR are available.

Tickets available online at:

https://my805tix.com/e/marcijean-may26

Featured Band:

Marci Jean & the Fever



In May, we will feature a singer and musician that we last hosted during the backyard shows in May of 2020; Marci Jean Fabrini. At that time she was performing with the Belmont Kings and she really

knocked our socks off. If you wish to reprise that stunning performance, visit this link on our Basin Street Regulars YouTube channel:

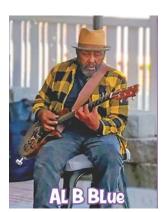
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7 WimBT744k

Her new sensational new band is named Marci Jean & The Fever. They will transport you back in time to the juke joints and knocked out

dives! Playing 1940s and 50s jump blues and R&B! Marci Jean sings authentic originals as well as covering artists like Laverne Baker to Etta James. This excellent group features well-known local blues guitarist and vocalist James Scoolis and also national recording artist Wes Star on drums. The band is rounded out by Wil Anderson on bass and Brad Hackleman on saxophone. Bring your dancing shoes you won't be able to stay in your seats!

Opening Band: Valerie Johnson & the Voodoo Doodads









Members of the VooDoo DooDads Valerie Johnson - Lead Vocalist, Washboard Albert Ingram - (Al B Blue) Lead Rhythm/Lead Guitar Dr. Bob Brenman - (Dr. Bob) Doctor of Safe Sax, Saxophone Liz Douglas - Bass, Vocals Musical Styles: Blues, Traditional New Orleans Jazz, Cajun/ Zydeco and more!

Valerie Johnson toured Europe with a well-known gospel group, and upon her return to the

U.S. got hired by Big Brother & The Holding Company to fill Janis Joplin's shoes! Valerie also spent 15 years as Music Resource Teacher through the Creative Children's Project, a program that allowed kids to learn songs, perform and play various instruments. Along with her husband, Al B Blue, Valerie toured doing an interactive program they created called Blues for Kids; teaching kids about the history of blues and getting them involved in singing, playing traditional instruments and performing at schools, libraries and festivals.

Al B Blue is a classically trained pianist who later became part of a New Jersey Doo-Wop group. Upon moving to California he taught himself guitar and was soon touring the U.S. with a band that was opening for Curtis Mayfield, Hugh Masekela and others.

Dr. Bob Brenman (aka, "The Doctor of Safe Sax") is a recently retired doctor and longtime saxophone enthusiast, with a passion for Dixieland Jazz and blues. Dr. Bob has been performing with Val & Al at Bon Temps Creole Cafe for over 10 years!

Liz Douglas has performed at dozens and dozens of venues on the Central Coast, including service clubs, country clubs, hotels and restaurants, plus numerous private parties and events. One of her career highlights (and major professional credit) was performing for several years aboard Princess Cruises alongside her husband Bill's group, the Bill Douglas Quartet. She got to tour the world while sharing her love of music with all those aboard! CONTACT: Valerie Johnson (805) 423-8592 valbblue@gmail.com

Timeline for Sunday May 26th:

11:00 - 12:15 Jam Session

12:15 - 12:30 Clean-up/Set-up

12:30 - 1:25 The Voodoo Doodads

1:25 - 1:45 Reset

1:45 - 4:00 Marci Jean & the Fever

(with a break)

Food and Drinks at the Vet's Hall

Food and beverages for our May and June Sunday sessions will be provided by Burgers & More. Congratulations to Sonny and April Paz for their new restaurant location. Please visit them at 301 Cypress Steet in Pismo Beach. They will also be running the bar again- beer and wine. We look forward to sampling this month's menu.

Prez Says

We have a truly outstanding show coming up for you in July. The incredible Midiri Brothers are making the trip to California to perform at a venue in Palos Verdes and they contacted us to see if we would like to host them in Pismo Beach first. Of course, we said yes!

Due to the date of their performance in Southern California, we are switching from our usual Sunday session date and will welcome them on Saturday, July 20th. The schedule for that day will be a little bit different; we will start at noon and end at 5:00 p.m. There will not be a jam session.

The quartet that is coming from back east includes Joe Midiri on clarinet and Paul Midiri on vibes and trombone, Jack Hegyi on bass and Pat Mercuri on guitar. Their drummer is not joining them in Pismo, so we have recruited local favorite, Jim Stromberg to perform with them Saturday at the Vet's Hall.

Not only will the Midiris be performing that day, but we will be opening with the Barrelhouse Wailers. This fantastic band from Ventura has played for us many times and features a collection of talented and eclectic musicians.

This is a double-header show with two amazing bands!

There were additional expenses associated with the Midiri's appearance due to travel from New Jersey, and we were going to charge enough to cover these costs, however, due to some very generous donations from members and supporters, Jim and Carol Rust and Claudi Taden, we are now charging well below what this show is worth. We are also thankful for Gene and Virginia Mondro, who will be providing transportation to the Midiri Band while they are on the Central Coast.

This will be your only opportunity to see the Midiri's on the Central Coast. We will not be bringing them here in October.

Pricing for this show will be \$10 each for Silver Members, \$20 each for regular members, and \$30 each for non-members. Only 280 tickets will be available, and this show may sell out.

After July 1st, the prices will go up to \$15 each for

Continued from page 2...

silver members, \$25 each for regular members and \$35 each for non-members.

We want everyone to purchase their tickets in advance. We will be selling them at the next two Sunday sessions at the Vet's Hall and also on-line at My805Tix. As a further incentive, we are going to internalize the fees for My805Tix, so on-line pricing will be the same as purchasing at the Vet's. You can also mail a check to our mailing address: Basin Street Regulars, P.O. Box 356, Pismo Beach, CA 93448.

In addition to the July 20th show at the Vet's Hall, we will also be hosting a meet and greet BBQ with the Midiris on Friday, July 19th at 5:00 p.m. at the Cardinal house. This will give you a unique opportunity to break bread with the Midiris in a casual setting and also see them perform in the gazebo. Suggested donations for this event will be \$25, which includes an expertly prepared tri-tip BBQ meal, beer, wine and tableware. Please RSVP to Shonda Croly at: Shamrockshonda59@gmail.com or put your name on the list at the May and June Sunday sessions. Money will not be collected in advance. Donations (cash and checks) will be accepted at the door. Checks should be made out to the Basin Street Regulars. Any money collected over expenses will be donated to BSR.

The Oxford Suites in Arroyo Grande is offering us a special rate that weekend. There will be King Suites: \$280.00, plus tax, or Family Two Queen Suites: \$315.00, plus tax. To get these rates, please contact the front desk of the Oxford Suites at 805.773.3773 Ext 1 and reference The Midiri Show or use this on-line link:

http://bookings.ihotelier.com/bookings.jsp?groupID=4345994&hotelID=106557

If there any problems accessing this special rate, please e-mail Brianna Alvarado at briannaa@oxfordsuites.com

Rhonda Cardinal, President Basin Street Regulars

Jubilee Corner:

We are working on our October event, now called JazzFest Central Coast 2024. We will be booking two bands at the Vet's Hall for Sunday, October 27th. We are currently in discussion with Tom Rigney and Flambeau and the Sierra

Stompers. We also hope to hire the Big Sirs of Swing for the Dance Event at the Grover Beach Community Center on Friday, October 25th. All of our plans are in the very formative stages. Due to the generous donations listed above, pricing may be the same or similar to our July event with the Midiris. Please watch these pages for future developments.

If you are interested in participating in this effort, please contact Rhonda Cardinal at rhondacardinal51@gmail.com or text (805) 907-2097.

Thanks and we will keep you updated as our plans develop.

Rhonda Cardinal, Co-Coordinator Jazz Fest Central Coast 2024

In the Wings-Our June Show

Our June show will be held at the Pismo Beach Veteran's Hall. We will have our normal jam session starting at 11:00.

Featured Band-Ginger & Hoosier Daddys

Ginger & The Hoosier Daddys, is a hot, early jazz to swing band lead by Ginger Pauley. The band has been together and performing since 2009 with jazz standards, Great American Songbook and some rarely heard vocals created just for Ginger & The Hoosier Daddys! This fabulous band plays all over the United States!

Ginger is also the host and co-producer of Vintage America With Ginger on Amazon Prime and Tubi.

This will be a very special show for the Basin Street Regulars as they'll be some familiar faces to you all! "Regulars" indeed! The Hoosier Daddys for June 30th will be:

Bob Selvin on piano
Michael Velasquez on bass
CJ Sams on trumpet
John Cheas on sax/clarinet
Kevin Wiley on drums
Todd Temanson on banjo
And joining us from down under...
Paul Ingle on trombone!

Opening Band:

The Decomposing Brass Quintet

The Decomposing Brass Quintet is comprised of brass players from the Friendly Neighborhood Big Band, with an occasional guest performer as a substitute. The formation of the group was the brain child of

Continued on page 4...

OFF BEAT

Mitch Letting, David Johns, and Danny Beher. They have been providing audiences with performances of great jazz standards, pop, Broadway, and movie themes and they have access to over 500 songs by various composers and arrangers. The band rehearses weekly, even rehearsing during the pandemic, while observing social distancing. Each time they get together for "rehearsals," there is a lot of sight reading of new music. Sight reading is the practice of reading and performing music that they have not seen or played before. The band members have years of experience playing with various groups and are delighted to be affiliated with the DBQ. Some of the groups are: The Friendly Neighborhood Big Band, Starlight Dreamband, Central City Swing, Central Coast Brass, Estero Brass, Trumpet Alliance of Cuesta College, and the Royal Garden Swing Orchestra of Cuesta College. Members working with these groups, have performed at/ for: Dana Adobe & Cultural Center, Salvation Army, Branch Street Deli, Arroyo Grande Centennial Celebration, Clark Center Holiday Singalong, Grand opening of the SLO Train Museum, Rotary Band Stand in Arroyo Grande, Madonna Inn, Filipponi Winery, Nipomo Presbyterian Church, and much, much more.

This will be a show you cannot miss!

Alan Sutterfield Plays Teddy Roosevelt BSR Fundraiser Backyard Show

Local thespian Alan Sutterfield has volunteered to do a one-man show on the Gazebo at the Cardinal house as a BSR fundraiser. Over the years, he has enjoyed many BSR Backyard shows and wanted to do something for us in return. He will be performing a one-hour version of his one-man play, *Theodore Roosevelt's Wild America*, which covers Roosevelt's outdoor adventures over the years.

A suggested donation of \$20 includes a light meal and beer and wine. Folding chairs are provided, bring something more comfortable if desired. The date for the show is Friday, June 28th. We will be serving the meal at 5:00, the show starts at 6:00 p.m. More information about this show will be available in the June newsletter. Please RSVP to Rhonda Cardinal at www.images.com will be available in the June newsletter.

907 2097 to attend.

Cathy Cardinal Creates Jazz Camp Scholarships Videos

Cathy Cardinal has created a long (3.5 minute) video and three short videos to highlight the fun aspects of going to Teagarden jazz camp. These videos are now available on the Basin Street Regulars YouTube Channel and through the Youth Program page on the Basin Street Regulars website.

https://www.pismojazz.com/youth-program/ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=twLBJlpr6yw https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z7_TirsUlvw

Please share these links with the young people in your life who might be interested in attending Teagarden jazz camp in the future. Thanks to the incredible work of our scholarship team, we have filled our scholarship quota for Teagarden camp this year. We still have availability for slots at the Cuesta College jazz workshop coming up in July.

The SLO Summer Jazz Workshop



Calling Young Musicians!

We finally have the dates for this special jazz workshop opportunity. BSR has money reserved to pay for 8 students, provided they sign up for the early bird rate of \$175. Each student must fill out the BSR scholarship application as well as the workshop registration.

The SLO Summer Jazz Workshop is a 4 day jazz performance course put on by the SLO Jazz Festival and Cuesta College aimed at students from Junior High through college and adults looking for a positive experience of musical growth.

Each student will be instructed as to the role his/her instrument plays in a jazz ensemble as well as how to present themselves on the bandstand and prepare for getting paid work playing music.

This intensive week is a great time for learning to make music with new people, learning your instrument better and understanding jazz improvisation.

Continued on page 5...



Dates: Monday-Thursday, July 8-11, 2024 Ages: 12+

Fee: Early Bird Rate: \$175. Register by May 31st Regular Rate: \$250. Starting June 1st **Location:** San Luis Obispo Campus Outdoors

7160

Instructors: Ron McCarley and Darrell Voss Questions: Contact Scott Andrews: scott@slojazzfest.org

First Step: Students should fill out the registration for the workshop on the link below. Payment will need to be included with the registration. When acceptance has been confirmed, the parents will be reimbursed by BSR. If this payment is a hardship, please email the contact above.

SLO Summer Jazz Workshop - San Luis Obispo **Second Step:** Students should fill out the BSR application available from the link below. Note: This workshop application is different than the BSR Teagarden Application. LaDean Talcott: ladeantalcott@comcast.net



New Videos Available on the BSR YouTube Channel

New videos have been uploaded to the Basin Street Regulars YouTube channel, including the first and second sets of the San Lyon Swing Band performance on March 24th at the Oceano Elks Lodge and the second set of the Alpha Rhythm Kings at the Pismo Beach Veteran's Hall on April 28th, 2024. To see these and all other videos on our YouTube channel, go to:

https://www.youtube.com/user/basinstreetregulars

Help Support Basin Street Regulars:

Donate on-line at:

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.



We currently have **242** members, with **55** as Silver Members. We still need 46 of you to pay or let us know your intentions. Notices were sent out, so please let us know. We received two new members this month. We are pleased to welcome Joe Davidson and Lynn Marie. We have a special show with the Midiri Brothers in July. If you buy tickets online you will need special codes to receive the Silver Member or Membership discount, so it is in your best interest that we have your correct email address. If you are not receiving your emailed OffBeat Newsletter, please contact me to clear up your email. You can contact me at 805-937-2419 or email me at shamrockshonda59@Gmail.

Thank you, Shonda Croly, Membership Chair

Silver Members

Anne Abler &
Richard Woodworth
Alice Addison
Mary Bamonte
Jim Borland
Diane Brand
Linda Burris
Eric & Shonda Croly
Linda Dutar
Pete & Judy Felthous
Linda Flaherty
Flemming Frederiksen

Herb & Sonja Gefen Robert Ghilarducci Therese Hanlon Richard Harvey Judith Hasting Tara Hoffman Jeff & Laurie Holit Sharon Marshall David McLaughlin Eric & Trish McKay Gene & Gina Mondo Marianne Morgen

Loretta Newman
Gary Parkinson
Sue Prior
Nancy Ragsdale
Curtis Reinhardt
Ed Rush
Bill & Carol Rust
Bruce & Janice Scott
Susan Schneider &
Joel Siegel
Lee & Carol Stewart
Laden Talcott

Mario Tognazzi Jim Trask Craig Undergone Bern Verbid German Von Thala & Fran Coutain Jason Virk & Vicki Pibor Margarethe Weiser Fran Willey Linda & Priscilla Wilson

OFF BEAT

Blown Away in April

The April Sunday
Session just blew us away.
We had 138 guests to
watch these amazing
concerts. The opening
band was the Tevis Jr.
High Rangers, from
Bakersfield. They are
directed by Kelly Willey,
who joins in on the
trumpet with the band.



There were 17 students in the band.

unfortunately a few students could not make it, so James Sproul, a music teacher from one of the elementary schools was filling in (his son was also a member of the band). The kids were dressed in black pants and shirts with burgundy red bowties



and suspenders. They looked sharp. They had 3 students sharing the drum and percussion instruments. Kelly said many of the students not only played in the jazz band, but in the symphony band, and played multiple instruments. She also had a show of hands on who went to band camp last

year and who will be going this year. We are sending 6 students from Tevis to camp this year. The hat was passed and \$507 was collected. Kevin Willey spoke about what the passed collections have bought for the band. Their shirts, ties, music stands, washboard, drum set and a guitar. When

the band played "Mudbug Strut," an umbrella parade ensued. The kids did an



amazing job on, "Caravan."

This was the first time the Alpha Rhythm Kings graced our stage. They are a 5-man band from the Bay Area. They were dressed in suits and ties, so very handsome. They have performed all over California, at Disneyland and in Las



Vegas. Sometimes Donny Most from, "Happy Days" sings with them. We got our Bebop and Scat on today.

The first set had about 14 tunes in it. They started the set with "Honeysuckle Rose," and finished with "Oh Marie." The dancers were all having a wonderful time dancing too, "Choo Choo Ch 'Boogie," "Is You or Is You Ain't My Baby," and "All of Me." The dance floor was always full.



The second set was as amazing as the first.
When you think of our concerts you think of Benny
Goodman, Louie Armstrong and Frank Sinatra,

but who knew ZZ Top could be so jazzy. They did

ZZ Tops "Sharp Dressed Men," as if it was from a different era. "Mary Had a Little Lamb," was nothing like what momma used to sing. They did "Just in Time," in memory of Tony Bennett. The set ended with "That's Life." I spoke with Martha King a few times she was blown away not once but multiple times. She loved





the show.
Several of our dancers said it was an amazing show to dance to, some said it will take them days to recover.

OTT BEAT

More shots from the April Show...























Basin Street Regulars, Inc.

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

P.O. Box 356

Pismo Beach, CA 93448

O77 BEAT

Invite a friend to a Sunday Session using this Pass!



Basin Street Regulars Inc. Hot Swingin' Jazz Dance Concerts 11 AM - 4 PM, Last Sunday of the Month Usually at the Pismo Beach Vets Hall (venue and dates subject to changes) (visit our website at) www.basinstreetregulars.com Guest Pass Free Non-Member Admission(1-2 guest/1time only)
Name:
Email:
Sponsor
Event Not valid at the BBQ, Holiday Party or Special Events

In this issue: May BSR Session		In the Wings	3 & 4
		May Session	3 & 4
	1 & 2	Jazz Camp	4 & 5
President's Message	2	Membership	5
Jubilee Corner	3	April Session	6 & 7



Please LIKE our Facebook pages! Basin Street Regulars, Pismo Jazz Jubilee and Rhonda BSR Cardinal. Subscribe to our YouTube channel—Basin Street Regulars.

On Instagram we are #basinstreetregulars! Don't miss out on photos and videos from our Sunday Sessions and from the Jazz Jubilee By the Sea.







Looking Ahead - BSR Sunday Sessions & Special Events

May 26th: Marci Jean & the Fever; Valerie Johnson & the VooDoo Doo Dads opening, Pismo Vets Hall

June 28th: (Friday) Alan Sutterfield Plays Teddy Roosevelt, BSR Fundraiser Backyard Show, Cardinal Home

June 30th: Ginger Pauley & The Hoosier Daddys, Special guest Australian Paul Ingle! Decomposing Brass Quintet, Pismo Vets Hall

July 19th: Midiri Brothers Backyard Show, Cardinal Home

July 20th (Saturday): Special Event - Midiri Brothers, Barrelhouse Wailers, Pismo Beach Vets Hall. Special Pricing

August 25th: BSR BBQ Backyard Show Featuring Dave Stuckey and the Hot House Gang, Oasis Ukulele Band, Cardinal Home

October 25-27: JazzFest Central Coast 2024!

A county-wide Jazz Weekend is in the planning stages!

September, November and December shows are now in the planning stages! (We welcome suggestions!) and check the website for more info.