



# THE DELTA RAG

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**SUNDAY AUGUST 4, 2019 - Noon To 5 PM**

**Ken Brock and The Jambalaya Swing Band**



## The Jambalaya Swing Band

Patterns itself from the great Bob Crosby and The Bobcats Orchestra. The Instrumentation is 4 Saxophones; 3 trumpets; 1 trombone; piano; bass; and drums. The Crosby Orchestra consisted of one additional trombone. Large dance bands of Jan Garber, Dick Jurgens, Sammy Kaye, Russ Morgan, to name a few the 1930's and 40's bands, generally consisted of 10-14 players.

Crosby started in 1935, but didn't become a "hit" band until he released "Big Noise From Winnetka" and additional "Dixie" selections in 1938. His Instrumentation was centered around a "Dixie" front line or the Piano of Joe Sullivan. Bob fronted the band well into the 1980's and always was a big draw at The Carnation Stage, and The Plaza Gardens Stage at Disneyland.

### Jambalaya's players:

**Saxophones and Clarinets: Rich Lesnik, Stuart Yasaki, Mike Kenney, Bruce Saxton**

**Trombone: Ron Wetzel**

**Trumpets: Mack Horton, Noel Weidcamp, Ken Brock**

**Piano: Rich Owens**

**\*Free Admission\* for our First time guests. Free Coupon is on Page 10.**



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT For August, 2019

Your board was ever-so pleased to hear that Marlena and family decided to fight back against her previously announced moribund status. Courageous to say the least. All pulling for you Marlena.

Attendance continues to prove adequate to support our trim and conscientiously conservative fiscal policy. [no bankruptcy-behavior here thanks to our diligent Treasurer, Secretary and the "Gatekeeper at the Entrance."] We front Grade-A bands thanks to our music director Carl Kaiser. Our raffle is doing well with donations each session by Larry Tyrell. Greg Ayala., and others. Our to thanks to Bob and Philinda Stillwell.

I wish to correct an error I made in the July article. Barbara Baughman replaced a hip not a knee. Either one is a good move in my book.

U.R.T. of the month: Much talk about the question of U.S. citizen in the 2020 census. Now we are talking in strictly legal terms. Unless I am missing something, do we not have a continuous automatic count going on? Every legal birth is backed by a birth certificate. And every naturalized citizen is recorded on a list. And every death is recorded on a death certificate. Supposedly.

So.....why cannot a computer be put to work combining these. Going back as many decades as we wish, simply tote these. Maybe not perfect but far more accurate than personal inquiries in which the degree of lying will render the answers nearly meaningless.

Most all of us remember the scare, in the 70,s of mercury found in tuna fish. But I did not realize how deadly was this *combination* until I was returning from a trip to Mexico. In 1975, I purchased a new Mercury automobile. Shortly thereafter, I drove to Ensenada with a friend who fished deep-sea for Tuna. Packed in ice was a trunk full when we approached the U.S. border on the return trip. Facing us was this huge banner "Mercuries containing Tuna will not be admitted." We donated the catch to the Mexican border authorities.

**til next month, your Prez. Frank**

**Now**

**by Ruth Grijalva**

In the here and now, Let me appreciate today.

Let me not fear tomorrow, Nor dwell on yesterday.

Let me hear music in laughter, See beauty in children's smiles.

Forger the tears of long ago, loving, caring all the while.

Let me hear the symphony of life, Untainted by cynics scorn.

Let me realize of what I sing, And why I was meant to be born.

I pray, oh Lord, to always do good, To ease the suffering of man.

I'm weak, oh Lord, but give me strength,

And I'll do whatever I can.





As noted in this month's Treasurer's Report, we again auctioned three tickets to the Hot Jazz Jubilee.

Auction winners on July 7th were Barbara

Baughman and Stephan Smith - picture on the right.

Pictured on left are Ken Mc Murray (the promoter of the Hot Jazz Jubilee) and Geri Eckert. **THANK YOU KEN!**





## PEE PEE SEZ (PP = PAST PRESIDENT) - For August 2019

This summer is really flying by. The giant fireworks show at Jackson on July 3, 2019 has come and gone. Many of the musicians you know here at Stockton are a big part of that **Weenie Brigade Band**. In fact, it sounds like we moved one of our jammer sets to Jackson for the event. Bill Sharp, Dannie Balsler, Greg Ayala, Mark Kramer, Carl Kaiser, Larry Tyrell, Steve Douville, Geri Eckert, Chris Williams. I just know I am forgetting someone. So, my personal thanks to all of these fine musicians who have been a part of this Freebie Gig

If you like dancing, listening and toe tapping to the sounds of a Big Band...then you have to come to the Stockton Elks Club on Sunday, August 4, 2019. You will love the Jambalaya Swing Band. This is a repeat performance for them. They wowed us last year and the year before too!

**Marlena Tygett Update!** I just had a nice phone visit with Marlena (July 22, in the morning). Though you can't see her famous smile over the phone, you can hear that it is still there! Marlena tells me that the Chemo is, at the least, not making her feel worse. So, she intends to continue taking the treatments.

The treatments make one tired, she says. (*I can verify that one.*) She is maintaining her weight. Mealtimes include Ensure and Chicken and Rice soup. Chicken pot pies are also on the menu at the Tygett Residence.

Speaking of the Tygett Residence, after 30 years at the present residence, they are moving to Brent's home in Sacramento this week. They have lots of people helping out. The phone number that appeared for several years in our Delta Rag Sunshine Note, will not be working after this week. For the present time, the old e mail address for Marlena is the best way to stay in contact. She can be reached by sending your e mail to [davidtygett@comcast.net](mailto:davidtygett@comcast.net).

***Editor's note: I find it so ironic that Marlena, our Sunshine Lady for all these years, is now the one in need of our well-wishes, prayers and our hope for her sunshine! Here's sending you all of those things Marlena!***

We have two You Tube Tunes for the Month. The first tune is dedicated to Marlena and to my Wife Kerry: **You Are My Sunshine** · By Muggsy Spanier and his Huge Dixieland Band - It sure sounds like Eddie Miller on Tenor Sax to me. So, paste this link in your browser to hear this one: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AnUhfUTXzxY>

This month's Second You Tube Homework assignment features the tune **"I've Got a Feeling I'm Falling"**. If the group of musicians looks familiar to you....they should! This is the same fine band that was featured last month. In this nice, slow foxtrot, they really excel. The tune was composed and written by Fats Waller and Harry Link (c.1929), though there seems to be some discussion that it was written by Eric Link with lyrics by Billy Rose. Whatever the controversy, this is one fine number that I think you will like. The musicians on this tune are Jeff Barnhart on piano, Gordon Au on Trumpet, Dan Levinson on Reeds, Bob Barta on Banjo and vocal, Vince Giordano on Bass Sax and Kevin Dorn on the drums. So, by now you know what to do. Cut and paste this link into your browser and turn up the volume. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bo84CS0p7aQ>

**Pee Pee's Point to Ponder: GROWING OLDER IS MANDATORY.  
GROWING UP IS OPTIONAL.**

**That's 30 for August of 2019 Folks! Dick Lockwood Editor The Delta Rag,  
Registered Sax Defender & Immediate Past President of the SJDJS**

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**Nomination Committee:** Greg Ayala

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Thank you to all the wonderful  
 Admission Desk volunteers! Here's  
 the usual desk folks: Beverly Martin,  
 Reva Williams, Edie Sanchez, Alice  
 Hannan, Helen Click,  
 Judy Griffiths, Janus Stock and Yvonne  
 Stefani. **Board Member Beverly Martin**



**Equipment Manager**

**Larry Tyrell**

**August 2019**

Under the leadership of the indestructible  
 Frank Lindskoog, the following volunteers  
 helped with the equipment setup: Greg  
 Ayala, Geri Eckert, Carl Kaiser, Chris  
 Williams, Dick Lockwood and Bill Sharp.

Thanks Everyone!

Larry Tyrell



**MONEY MATTERS - Treasurer's Report for August 2019 By: Geri Eckert**

Miracles dooooo happen. We had the best Jazz Sunday so far this year. It was a "jammers only" day (no hired band) and we still had the highest attendance (\$372.00) and the highest jammer count (20 musicians...wow!) We were graced by the attendance of **5 new musicians in July** and we hope they will return and become part of our regular jammer family. The music was fantastic. (You can see ALL jammers' names in Carl Kaiser's column which follows.)

Thank you **Cline Cellars** for your yearly ad in our Newsletter. A huge thank you to **Alice Hannan** and **Frank Lindskoog** for their cash donations ; and to **Stephen Smith** and **Barbara Baughman** for their participation in the **HOT JAZZ JUBILEE** ticket auction; and once again to **Ken McMurray** for donating those tickets. The Jubilee is coming up in Sacramento Aug 30 to Sept 2. I'm going; are you????

Welcome aboard **Penny Miser**. She attended and became a **new member** in July.

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**Next session: Aug. 4th. See you then?  
 ger~ the Keeper of the Kash!**



**HERE'S SOME OF THE FOLKS WHO WERE AT THE SJDJS JULY 2019 SESSION. IT WAS GREAT TO SEE DICK AND KATHY WILLIAMS BACK WITH US!**



## SUPPORT LIVE DIXIELAND

**Our Next Session is Sunday August 4, 2019 Noon to 5 PM**

Always The First Sunday of the month - Noon to 5:00 p.m.

**San Joaquin Dixieland Jazz Society (S.J.D.J.S.)**

See our Web page <http://www.stocktondixielandjazz.org/>

**We are at the Stockton Elks Club - 8900 Thornton Road, Stockton  
Featuring in August 2019 — THE JAMBALAYA SWING**

**AND...WE NEED MUSICIANS FOR THE JAM SETS : We Are All About Jammin'!**

Contact our VP/Music Director, Carl Kaiser to schedule a time slot for you to play.

E mail Carl at: [keybonekaiser@hotmail.com](mailto:keybonekaiser@hotmail.com)

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**Fourth Sunday of the month - 1 to 5 pm: South Bay Traditional Jazz Society -  
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**Last Sunday of the Month - Pismo Beach -  
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### LIVE MUSIC AT THE STRAW HAT IN AUGUST 2019:

**August 7— The Charlie Hull, Doc Bach and Jay Paulus Party**

**August 14 Hot City      August 21 Jack Scott      August 28 Auchestra**

**Second Tuesday of each month 7:30—9:30 PM Chris Bradley's Jazz Band at the Castle  
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**July 13 - Cline Wine Festival (Want tickets or more info? See their ad on page 3)**

**August 30 - Sept. 2 - Hot Jazz Jubilee (Want tickets or more info? See their ad on page 3)**



## VIBES FROM THE VEEP (VICE PRESIDENT) For August - 2019

Our July session featured familiar-looking jammers and several musicians we don't see very often! Whether we know those faces or not, we certainly were treated to a lot of great music! In my somewhat limited travels to different jazz societies, it seems that when it comes to great jammers, all roads lead to Stockton!

The jammers at our July session were Greg Ayala, Dannie Balser, Gary Chulla, Gloria Coronas, Steve Douville, Geri Eckert, Bob Gonzalez, Loren Iverson, Carl Kaiser, Frank Lindskoog, Dick Lockwood, Jim Lucas, Rob Rocks, Andy Rosenblum, Mike Rosenblum, Bill Sharp, Larry Tyrell, Chris Williams and Dick Williams. It is wonderful to Dick and Kathy Williams back with us!

Some of the jammers who were new to me included Gloria Coronas (piano and vocals), Gary Chulla (drums), and Rob Rocks (drums). I had a great chat with Gary as we have played with a lot of the same musicians over the years but never played in the same place at the same time! It is as if we were living parallel lives and we finally met! I met Gloria (piano) in Modesto a month or so ago and she is a wonderful musician! Rob was the drummer with the Trilogy Jazz Band in May. We hope these fine musicians make it a habit to be with us in the future!

Our August session will feature the return of the Jambalaya Swing Band, led by Ken Brock. You may remember the 11 piece big band from past years. I spoke with Ken recently and he told me that he has been busy arranging some new tunes (to the JSB!) for our dancing pleasure. Remember, this band is built for dancing! See you with your dancing shoes at the club in August!

Carl Kaiser VP/MD

**MUSICIANS & OTHERS WANT TO CONTACT ME?**

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## Seen at the SJDJS Scene In July 2019

By: **Billie Ricker, Editor Emeritus**

Billie was here for the July SJDJS Session. She is taking this month off. Here are some **Billie-isms** from her not-to-distant past that I thought you might enjoy:

1. **August 2014** - In 1995, the Club needed a **Delta Rag** editor. The late **Scotty Baughman** and **Jim Hubbart** told me it would be easy. **Jim** gave me a special ruler that measured picas or some such, instead of inches. Huh? And of course **Cliff** told me I could do anything, and he would help by bringing me aspirin, wine, and/or a crying towel—whatever would help.

So nineteen years later, I can honestly say it has been a marvelous chapter in my life. SJDJS has brought me such great joy on many levels. The music is uplifting; even the down and dirty blues. And dancing is good exercise and fun. But oh, the people I've met at SJDJS! I cannot start naming names, or I will soon be out of space, but in addition to the best friend anyone ever had, there have been a whole gang of friends and acquaintances that I treasure.

You guessed it, 2014 has started a new chapter in my life. And it is time for SJDJS to have a new **Delta Rag** editor. I'm looking forward to coming to the club with nothing more on my mind than having a good time. I will write a column with your news in it, (at least for a while) so this isn't my "swan song," it is more like a "duck call." Watch for exciting new issues!



2. **September 2014** — What a boatload of happy people came to hear **Art Bregante and his Orchestra!** Even people we haven't seen for ages were there. **Gabe Sallah** and **Frank Solari**, for instance. **Frank** said he loved **Art's** band, and he would come oftener if that swing music were played.

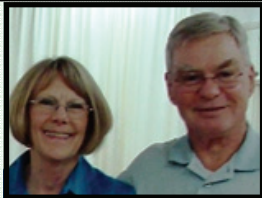
3. **September 2014** - (*Ed: I know it's the same issue but I couldn't resist this one*): I rushed over to see if **Mike Schneider** was really doing a strip-tease, but **Patty** distracted me, telling me he was bragging about his 3-week-old pace maker. So I guess he was trying discreetly to show off his scar. He should know it's useless to be discreet when there is an intrepid gossip columnist around. (I think intrepid sounds so much classier than "nosey" don't you?)

4. **March 2015** - I tried bringing a recorder once, a few years ago, but it seems my speech isn't any easier to understand than my handwriting is. Handwriting?? Does anyone have any grandchildren who know what handwriting is? Hey don't laugh. I know how to text. That reminds me of a cute joke. Grandpa said, "My grandkids text 'plz' because it is shorter than 'please.'" So I tell them, "No" because it is shorter than "Yes." I hope you're laughing. It isn't easy to find a clean joke.



5. **September 2015** - **Marlena Tygett** had a fall. She blamed their dog, **Bouncer**. And **Bouncer** has not denied it. **Marlena** bragged that she didn't break bones or smash her face, but she was using crutches. **Kathleen Smith** was helping her navigate and carry stuff and stop for hugs, and all that. **Dave** was wearing his smile. But it was the kind of smile that told me if I went up for a hug I might be the one with broken bones and smashed face. I'm teasing of course, but he always takes it so well I can't resist.

**See you at SJDJS Sunday, August 4, 2019 Billie!**



## Raffle Ramble From July 2019 By: Philinda Stilwell

Thank you all for your continued support of our monthly raffle by providing wonderful prizes and by purchasing raffle tickets. You're all helping to keep the club alive and well! In July, we saw the fruits of our members' green thumbs with fresh plums, peaches, and giant tomatoes won by Dannie Balsler, Frances Rodrigues, Kathy Williams, and Diane Wolfe. Larry Tyrell found a treat for himself in a loaf of fresh banana bread. Larry Schaffer liked the fun combo of a mint plant and six pack of beer. Billie Ricker thought the egg cooker gadget might be fun to try. Leslie Tierney chose a fancy gift box of a bottle of wine and several accessories such as openers and stoppers. The 4 bottles of wine went home with Charlie Gehlbach, Irene Bernasconi, Billie Ricker, and Arlene Malaga. Arlene also won the jazz CD and book combo. Thanks again everybody!! Your enthusiasm for the raffle is much appreciated.



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