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EDITOR'S SPOT ○

On page 6 you will find pictures of the Nominating Committee Co-Chairpersons, Jan & Ellie Buhlert. To volunteer, call them at [REDACTED]. Please don't wait to hear from them. Serving on the Board is not an odious task, but can be very rewarding. It is your chance to make a difference. Practice saying "Yes," so it will come easy when you are asked.

SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

In August, Admissions were \$496, Dues \$52, Raffle \$119, Donations and Memorials \$328. Rent was \$490, Band \$500, Delta Rag printing \$47.

It was reported that there has been some abuse of the Introductory cards that are to be used only by people who have not been to SJDJS for at least the past 2 years.

Jammers are asked to quit promptly at 5:00 so the Equipment committee can put the equipment away. (If you ask, I bet you can even help.)

A lengthy discussion of the food situation took place in response to complaints received. The Board takes your complaints seriously and is on top of the problem. It was indeed disappointing when the expected sandwiches were not there in August. As of this mailing, there will be no sandwiches in September either. There will be hot dogs as usual.

ADVERTISING RATES

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Dick Lockwood



The August 2011 was another wonderful session, with a full house of OKOM enthusiasts. Much credit is due to the really fine performance by the Catsnjammers. Everyone was so pleased. The dance floor was crowded and we even had to put up several more tables to accommodate the crowd.

The only fault that could be found with the day was the unavailability of food. Much of our Thursday Board Meeting involved what can be done to remedy this situation. We are working with the Elks Lodge for a solution in time for our next meeting. Marty Hofheinz is our point man with the Elks and is meeting with them.

I am pleased to announce our Nomination Committee Co-Chairpersons (Yes.... Co and Persons). Jan and Ellie Buhlert have been appointed to that position. Remember, every member of our Club is eligible to serve on the Board of Directors. If you have the time, dedication, and desire to serve, please contact Jan or Ellie right away to make your wishes known.

I see many smiles and happy faces at our meetings. My impression, and that of a whole lot of other people, is that we have the most friendly, most accommodating and 'funnest' club around. All of us should be trying to bring in new members. Opportunities are there for the taking. Neighbors, family members, friends, visits to other Jazz Clubs and live music venues are some possibilities. We're working on honoring requests for our music outreach program too.

Finally, a great big Thank You to all our volunteers; the ticket sellers, the set-up and tear down crew, the jammers, Madame Editor Ricker and especially to our Board of Directors who work so hard to make this wonderful music experience happen for us all.

DIXIE INK

Loren Iversen, who for years led the band that held the hearts of SJDJS in a firm grip, (I mean Tuleburg of course) is bringing us a new group called **Dixie Ink**. We'll see how long we can hold on to our hearts.

Due to the usual gremlins that lie in wait for band leaders, to test their strength of character, there will be a couple of substitutes September 4. Bob Sakoi and Bob Edson will be unable to make it, but be not disencouraged, Justin Au and Ben Marcelo will be joining the group, to play Dixieland jazz as you love it! And yes, of course you can dance to it. Who ever started the rumor that you can't dance to Dixieland jazz? Some tunes are too fast to dance to, but no problem, there are scads of Dixieland tunes that are lovely for dancing, and if the band doesn't play any of those, we just go up and take their instruments away from them. Has never happened yet. Hey! I am only kidding! Do **not** attempt to take a musician's instrument from him or her. It could lead to blood on your clothes and bruises on your body. You might even find footprints on your blue suede shoes.

You have heard these musicians before, and applauded until smoke curled up from your hands; so bring extra hand cream, and come prepared to enjoy another wonderful day of jazz!

Remember the Au Brothers? Well we will have two thirds of them playing with **Dixie Ink**.

Brandon Au, Trombone

Justin Au on Trumpet

David Kawamoto, Reeds,

Ben Marcelo, Piano,

Jim Lucas, on Bass,

Loren Iversen, Drums, leader.

We were delighted to have to bring in 3 extra tables for the happy crowd of Catsnjammer fans.

Delores Moreira boogied in with 1 crutch and 1 unmatched shoe. She broke a bone in her ankle, and will be very happy to be back in matching shoes.

Frank Lindskoog boogied in walking gingerly on 2 feet, with 1 unmatched shoe. He had hip replacement surgery which kept him away in August. He was surprised. Seven years ago he was walking 2 days after hip replacement surgery. He expects to be in matching shoes next month. His piano playing still leaves nothing to be desired! (I was going to say is “unmatched” but I was afraid you would strike me.)

John & Elaine Mendiola came boogieing in using matching walkers. I didn’t check their shoes.

Louis Francis introduced his daughter, Gina, who is staying with him for a couple of weeks. Lucky man. I missed **Roberta Conrad**. Hope she is doing well and not just hiding out because she forgot to bring me the slips from her geraniums.

Have you noticed how politically correct **Dick Lockwood** is? He called the tune, “Big Butter and Egg Person.”

Margie Edson is so much better, she says she is sweeping, and even mopping now. I never heard anyone so thrilled over mopping. **Bob** joked that he doesn’t even have to beat her to get her to do it! **Nita & Jim Davis** and **Nita’s** brother & his wife, as well as **Essie Looker** were enjoying the day.

HEARD BETWEEN SETS

By **Billie Ricker**



When I heard *What a Wonderful World*, I raised my glass of beer to **Gene Berthelsen**, thanking him for the great pleasure his music and humor brought to me for lo these many years! And I raised my camera in thanks to **Brian Richardson** for singing *Mecca Flat Blues*.

Vic & Arline Moore were here at last. She has been getting heavy duty doctoring (chemo, and radiation), as she has bone cancer. She is hoping to be able to avoid the more unpleasant treatments and treat it with just a pill. They have been staying in Oregon with her daughter who is a physician, but are back home, and happy to see their jazz friends. She has a wonderful up-beat attitude and she can be sure we will all be praying for her!

AUGUST RAFFLE NEWS

Donna Springer donated a Catsnjammer CD, signed by Donna and the band. This special gift was auctioned separately. Nadine Steel will give it a good home!

We were treated to the sight of Kathy Becker modeling the feather boa that Ellie Buhlert donated to the raffle. Joyce Garlough won it.

Judy Griffiths won the Trivial Pursuit game. I’m sure she is planning to play it with her granddaughter.

Mary Jane Gill won the lovely copper colored bag that Joy Burch donated.

Other prize winners were: Barbara Baughman, Marilyn Togninali, Reva Williams, Dave Becker and Nadine Steel.

SACRAMENTO JUBILEE 2011-PT 2

By Nadine Steel

PEOPLE ARE FUNNY. (Except thee and me!) It occurs to me that we've developed our special protocols over the years. We all know "Thou shall not save seats" except under special circumstances; as when you go to the bar for a drink or leave your seat to dance. Generally, we leave something in the seat to designate that it's not vacant. The man in front of us moved his backpack from the seat to under the seat in front of him. Instead of sitting, he stepped across the aisle to talk to someone.

A couple thought the seats were empty and sat. The man turned and told them he was sitting there, showed them his article under the seat, explained he'd just moved it "a second before" and with the corroboration of another person, finally convinced them that the seat(s) were taken.

They moved over to the next two seats, where two ladies had just hung a jacket over the two seat backs and gone to the bar. As they were settling in and the people around them were explaining that those seats weren't available either, the two ladies with drinks in hand returned. With confusion on their faces, the interlopers heard everyone around them telling them they couldn't sit there, that the jacket draped on the chairs were saving the seats. It was easy to see that the couple wasn't familiar with "our way of doing things," and they stood uncertainly, looking at all and each other for resolution. Without comment, the two gentlemen in the next seats left, and the couple were able to take those seats, although their faces still registered uncertainty. I felt their discomfort and was sorry. But I couldn't fault the people who defended the "rights of the seat owners," as they spoke kindly and without malice.



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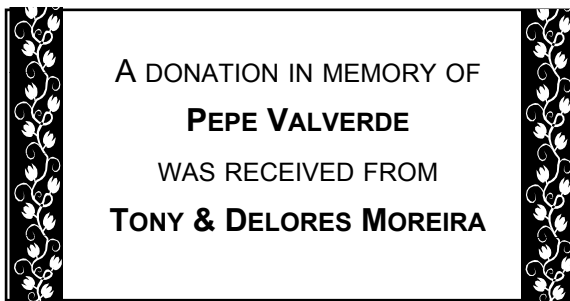
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WORKING ON IT!**

ATTENTION FRIENDS

If you know of someone who is ill or in need of cheering up and would like their name on the Sunshine list, please phone **Marlena Tygett** at [REDACTED].

IN NEED OF SUNSHINE



AUGUST JAMMERS

Thank you, “*Steppin’ Out with Geri,*” with Marcelo on piano, Hicks on bass, Douville drums, Sakoi trumpet, Lockwood reeds, and Geri on vocals.

Boatloads of gratitude to the jammers, and welcome to Heather Williams from Modesto, and Jim Fusaro from Sacramento. **Trumpet:** Loren Iversen, Bob Sakoi, Lee Monthei. **Reeds:** Don Rees, Gene Mondro, Dick Lockwood, Cliff Ricker, Bob Noren. **Trombone:** Bill Thieme, Bob Edson, Heather Williams. **Bass/Tuba:** Ray Farley, Steve Hicks. **Banjo/ Guitar:** Jan Buhlert, Mark Kramer. **Piano:** Frank Lindskoog, Ben Marcelo, Pat Blucher, Bob Edson. **Drums:** Carl Warmdahl, Steve Douville, Art Bregante. **Vocals:** Jim Fusaro, Geri Eckert, Judy Noren, Steve Douville, Bob Edson.

LIVE MUSIC

1st Sunday: **San Joaquin Dixieland Jazz Soc.** Elks Lodge, 8900 Thornton Rd., Stockton. Sept 4, *Dixie Ink.*

2nd Sunday: **Sacramento Traditional Jazz Soc.** Dante Club, 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd. Sept. 11, *Ray Skjelbred & his Cubs.*

3rd Sunday: **Modesto Traditional Jazz Soc.** Clarion Inn, 1612 Sisk Rd. Sept. 18, *Midnight Rose JB*

4th Sunday: **South Bay Trad Jazz Soc.** Sunnyvale Elks Lodge, Pastoria Ave.

1st & 3rd Tuesday evening 6:30 to 8:30: *Cell Block 7* playing at Royce’s Bar BQ, just off Hwy 99 @ Eight Mile. Check www.roycefarmsbbq.com for menu



MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By Bob Noren

What a musical joy it was to have the CATSN-JAMMER JAZZ BAND as our guest band for the day and to have so many of the long time band boosters attending as well. I couldn't miss seeing the big ear to ear smile on Donna Springer's face and to see the sense of pride she had for Gene's and her number one group performance.



Our own Geri Eckert brought us a nice surprise with her "STEPPIN' OUT" regular group in the Main Ballroom, for set #3---Thanks Geri.

It was truly great to see so many of our Dante Club member friends here to support us; and a big THANKS to Jim Fusaro for his vocal contributions, plus a big THANKS to all of our regular instrumentalists and vocalists for helping to round out a perfect day.

We filled the Poolside Lounge from set #2 through #5 in spite of several needed "NO SHOWS"-----WOW, I bet there were some sore lips and sore fingers the following Monday morning because of the many DOUBLE DUTIES----Thanks guys and gals 'you all done good.'

Musical Pastoral Notes from da Rev

Just a reminder, we start lining up our core groups for both the Main Ballroom and the Poolside Lounge a good week before our Jazz Sunday happening, sooooo, if you are a musician and know you will be attending, and you wish to get in some playing, PLEASE, Please, please or email me EARLY ON at [REDACTED] or jazzreeds@comcast.net.

CO-CHAIRPERSONS OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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