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Our January 26th Show featuring the Night Blooming Jazzmen & Tu Chez at the Pismo Vet's Hall

by Rhonda Cardinal

Tu Chez from Santa Maria and the Night Blooming Jazzmen from the Pasadena will be playing "Hot Swingin' Jazz" at the Basin Street Regulars' January Concert from 12:30 to 4:00 on Sunday January 26th at the Pismo Beach Veteran's Building, 390 Bello Street in Pismo Beach. We will have a jam session starting at 11:00 a.m. 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: My805tix.com



Featured Band:

Night Blooming Jazzmen

The Night Blooming Jazzmen (NBJ) is one of the worlds most established traditional jazz bands today – approaching 50 years of performing. The band was organized (they use that term quite loosely) in 1975 to represent the Society for the

Preservation of Dixieland at the brand-new Sacramento Jubilee. Chet Jaeger initially led the band, playing cornet, and did so until he passed away in 2022. At that point he was the last surviving founding member.

The NBJ has played many hundreds of festivals, many thousands of sets, and many dozens of cruises. They have performed all over the world (all the continents except Antarctica.) They have recorded 25 solo albums and released many videos of live performances over the years.

Though the original members have all departed, this is certainly not a ghost band. One of Chet's legacies has been bringing new, younger musicians into the band as the opportunities arose. Dr. Les Deutsch, who played piano in the band under Chet's leadership since 2001, is now leading the group and playing cornet, with the blessing of Chet's family.

As the band nears its 50th anniversary, and the Sacramento Jubilee is but a memory, Les has continued to bring younger players into the group, keeping the band spontaneous and innovative while bringing average age of the band down. This has never been a band that plays carefully constructed arrangements from charts. Instead, they try to exude happiness and excitement from the stage.

Come and hear us and judge for yourselves. You will, hopefully, go home happier for the experience!

Personnel for January 26, 2025:

Dr. Les Deutsch – Leader, cornet, saxophone, piccolo
Jim Richardson – Clarinet, saxophones
Les Benedict – Trombone
Andrew Barrett – Piano
Peter Cho – Banjo
Mike Earls – Bass
Matthew Lombardi – Drums

Opening Act: Tu Chez

Tu Chez is a local four-piece combo, known

on the Central Coast for their smooth, bluesy sound and fun interpretations of jazz standards. They cover the Great American Songbook and Latin favorites



with lots of fun energy and audience participation. Bodil Prescott on vocals, Chris Roullard on guitar, Geoff Moran on drums, and Terry Handy on bass. Tu Chez Jazz on the menu!

Schedule for Sunday January 26:

- 11:00 - 12:15 Jam Session**
- 12:15-12:30 Clean up/ Set-up**
- 12:30-1:30 Tu Chez:**
- 1:30-1:45 Reset Stage**
- 1:45- 4:00 Night Blooming Jazzmen with a break**

Prez Says

Thank you to the many of you who completed our survey in December. Here are the results so far. More ballots may be in the mail. We have received 49 ballots to date.

The vote between serving alcohol or no alcohol was virtually 50/50; twenty-four (24)

voted to sell alcohol and 23 voted not to. There were many votes allowing for increased cost- even for those that did not support alcohol, 28 were in favor of raising alcohol prices. Only 5 people said they wouldn't pay more.

When it came to the question about the Vet's Hall, people were flexible; 13 people voted for Vet's Hall only and 36 said it was OK to use other venues. Of the listed venue choices, 33 voted for the Elks, 22 voted for Ribline and only 5 voted for Harry's. The survey asked people to check all that applied. This is very helpful to us in planning our year. We asked for write-in venue ideas and we received suggestions of the San Luis Obispo Elks, the A.G. Women's Club and the A.G. Community Center. We are currently in discussion with the San Luis Obispo Elks lodge and will probably stage an event there sometime this year. The A.G. facilities have many of the same restrictions as the Vet's Hall as well as a higher cost, so they will not be pursued.

After some discussion amongst the Board members, we have decided to proceed with alcohol sales for January and February. We will likely raise the prices for drinks to help cover the costs.

We will be at the Oceano Elks in March as the Vet's Hall isn't available that month. In April, we will not sell alcohol at the Vet's.

We will continue to plan our year and our venues and let you know as early as possible the bands and locations. We greatly appreciate your participation in this survey. Some of the results surprised us and we can develop a better plan based on your input.

January is a New Year and we have an old favorite, the Night Blooming Jazzmen playing as our Feature Band. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

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Opportunities to Serve

We could use a few volunteers for some critical tasks. The current Board has been handling these details, but it takes time away from other important jobs that they are doing and contributes to the overall overload.

Here is a task we could use some help with:

We need help obtaining ABC (liquor) licenses for our events at the Vet's Hall.

Every time we have an event at the Vet's Hall, we need to get a liquor license from the state Alcohol Beverage Control. This involves filling out two forms for the City of PB and submitting each specific show date applications along with a check to the ABC.

We don't use the Vet's Hall every month, so - this task is only necessary five to nine times a year.

This job will take about 20 hours of work during 2025. Curtis can train the new volunteer. The process is simple but takes a little time. Chasing signatures and replies is the most time-consuming part of the procedure.

We are in need of a Treasurer. Linda Dutart has been doing this job for over 10 years and she would really like to be relieved of this duty. Here is the job description per the by-laws:

Treasurer

The Treasurer shall keep accurate and complete records of the funds and accounts of the Society. The Treasurer shall make only such disbursements from the funds of the Society as are authorized by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall furnish the local, State and Federal governments with the proper tax records at the appropriate times. The Treasurer shall render monthly financial statements to the Board of Directors and, within one week of the conclusion of the annual election, shall present the financial records of the Society to the new Board of

Directors for audit.

Here are some specifics, per Linda:

There are approximately 5 bills per month that must be paid as well as payments for the bands for the Sunday session.

There are at least 5 deposits per month, including donations and cash from the Sunday sessions. There is also income from PayPal, Square and My805tix.

There are monthly and annual financial reports to be completed. We have a CPA to do our taxes. We also use an outside vendor to process the 1099 forms that we receive from the bands and musicians.

We have an investment account with Morgan Stanley and there is financial committee within BSR to oversee it. The Treasurer is part of that committee.

We transitioned from a 501 (c)(3) non-profit entity to being a Non-Profit Corporation in 2022. The Treasurer is a very important officer for our organization and we cannot function without one. There are many hands to help and Linda Dutart will be happy to train someone for this position for as long as needed.

If you are interested, please contact Rhonda Cardinal at (805) 907 2097 or e-mail her at rhondacardinal51@gmail.com.

Thanks in advance.

Rhonda Cardinal

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Donate on-line at:

<https://www.pismojazz.com>

or you can mail a check directly to:

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In the Wings

February 23rd Feature Band will be the Big Sirs of Swing! "The Big Sirs of Swing" is a Gypsy Jazz Quartet based on the Central Coast of California. The Gypsy Jazz Genre consists of "Acoustic" Jazz and Swing and was conceived in France in the 1930s by Django Reinhardt and Stephane Grappelli.

The Big Sirs play and sing original Django tunes, classic Jazz and Swing standards, as well as original music of their own, all in the exciting and toe tapping flavor of Gypsy Jazz.

The band consists of:

Daniel Cimo on Violin and Vocals
Forrestt Williams on Lead Guitar
Ron Mileur on Rhythm Guitar
Alex Morrison on Stand up Bass

These guys are a great example of how talented individuals can come together to form a terrific band sound that is cohesive and exciting!

The opening band will be the AGHS Eagle Jazz Band. This ensemble is made up of students who are in the Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, and/or Percussion Ensemble. The goal of this class is for students to develop skills in playing various jazz styles. Students will learn how to play music in the following styles: Swing, Latin, Funk, Samba, Rock, and many others. Students will also learn about the history of the previous styles of music.

Brass and woodwind musicians must also be a member of Concert Band or Wind Ensemble in order to participate in this class. This is because they focus on the fundamentals of playing in Concert Band and Wind Ensemble that students are expected to apply in a more advanced manner in Jazz Band. Drummers, piano players, guitarists and bass guitarists are not required to be a part of Concert Band and Wind Ensemble in order to participate.

Future Dates:

Upcoming BSR Dance Concerts will feature:
February 23rd- Feature Band- Big Sirs of Swing. Opening Band- AGHS Eagle Jazz Band. Event to be held at the Pismo Beach Veteran's Building.

March 30th- Feature Band- Kathryn Loomis & Company Opening Band- Cal Poly Combo featuring a dance demonstration by the Cal Poly Swing Dance club. Event to be held at the Oceano Elks.

April 27th- Feature Band West Coast Gumbo with special guest, Dave Ruffner; Opening Act Tevis Ranger Jazz Ensemble. At the Pismo Beach Veteran's Building.

Parasols a Plenty



Many of you remember Jeff's sister, Sally, who came to a few of our festivals pre-Covid to sell Lu Lu Roe fashions. But before that, she also made and sold fancy parasols that she decorated and that lit up at night. She got the idea after attending some of our Sunday sessions.

In the summer, she attended a ukulele festival in Indiana where the participants camped on a big private field and stayed up most of the night entertaining each other during an open-mic show that lasted until 4:00 in the morning. Every night, a huge bonfire was lit, the wood gathered from the field and surrounding forest. It was quite surreal.

Sally brought her light-up parasols to the field and during songs that seemed to fit, would lead a parasol parade around the campfire. I went one year that she did this and it was very beautiful (see photo). Sally has decided that she does not need these parasols anymore and has donated them to BSR. I will be bringing them to our next Sunday session and will put them on the donation table. Please feel free to take one and donate what you feel is appropriate. When she sold them at our

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festival in 2015, they were \$20 each, but any amount will be fine. I'm sure they will bring you lots of pleasure as you are parading around our hall. I look forward to seeing some of them live again in January and beyond.

House Concert at the Cardinals

The Cardinals are hosting Carl Sonny Leyland with special guests Ethan Leinwand & Valerie Jo Kirchoff, (also known as the St. Louis Steady Grinders) at a House Concert on Monday, February 17th, 2025. This is a very popular house concert and will be indoors. Suggested donations are \$25 each and will include food and drinks. Donation slips will be available at the door. Please let us know if you are coming by contacting Rhonda Cardinal at (805) 937 8402 or e-mailing her at jwcardinal@msn.com. Doors will open at 5:00; the concert starts at 6:00 p.m.

Video Recordings are Now Available:

Recordings are now available from our Jazz Jubilee Central Coast shows featuring Crescent Katz and Tom Rigney and Flambeau. To view these and other previous BSR shows. go to our website, <http://basinstreetregulars.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.

Rhonda Cardinal



The Holiday Party

by Shonda Croly

It is so hard to write about the Holiday Party. I was busy with membership and helping with other problems that sprung up. Our regular door people could not be there that day. I have my camcorder running catching everything so I can watch it later but guess what, I forgot to turn it on when all the music started.



The jammers started the day off at 11 AM with lots of Holiday tunes and Rhonda Cardinal did the Dreidel Song. When I heard Fernie Monreal Singing Feliz Navidad, I had to stop what I was doing and go check it out. It was so great seeing all the dancers on the floor and so many members playing all the percussion instruments. Everyone was having such a wonderful time.



The opening band was Liz Douglas and Brad Lusk, everyone was commenting as they checked in, on how amazing they sounded. People were excited by the vibes. I know I enjoyed how they sounded, but my brain was so busy with other jobs. I can't remember what songs they played. I did get a chance to go take a few photos of them. There are a few of you who always let me know which bands you like and all I saw were thumbs up and lots of smiling faces. Everyone was enjoying themselves. We started serving the luncheon and then I started collecting tickets in line. Many of you commented on how great Liz and Brad sounded and what a joy they were.

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Central City Swing was up next, I was still working the ticket line. Central City Swing played lots of different tunes, holiday, jazz, swing and crowd favorites. They also sounded great. Then there was a problem when it was time to serve the last 4 or 5 tables. One of the ovens in the kitchen was not working so the chicken was not cooked correctly. People had to wait while the chicken went to another oven to cook. Burgers and More offered free drinks to those affected. They felt terrible, but it was not their fault. We went ahead with the champagne toast and served the desserts. Malcolm, Aiden and Maddie were so adorable, handing out candy canes to everyone. Finally, the rest of the chicken came out of the oven. Rhonda and I were the last ones to go through the line at 3 PM. It was unfortunate what happened, but lots of people commented about how good the meal was. There was also

a first-time thing that happened. A line dance to, "Boot Scootin' Boogie". Big thank you to Jim Borland for getting me the information. Everyone was having so much fun. We finished off with dancers on the floor and an umbrella parade. With all the problems of the day, the Holiday Party was still a success.



MEMBERSHIP

It is the time of the year to renew your membership. We currently have **75** members paid for 2025, **20** of those are silver members. We received 3 new members this month. Please welcome Dennis Nulman, Cindy and Pete Veneris. We finished 2024 with 288 members, 66 of them were silver members. I will be at the Sunday session collecting dues. If you pay at the Sunday Session, please fill out the renewal slip and present it to me with your dues. You can also pay online by going to our website, www.basinstreetregulars.com. If you would like to mail a check please send it to Basin Street Regulars P.O. Box 356 Pismo Beach, CA 93448. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 805-937-2419 or email me at shamrockshonnda59@gmail.com.

Shonda Croly, Membership

Membership Rates: **Student** \$20, **Single** \$35, **Couple** \$60 (these memberships pay \$5 to get into the Sunday sessions), **Silver** \$150 (per person, you get into Sunday Sessions and the picnic for free!)

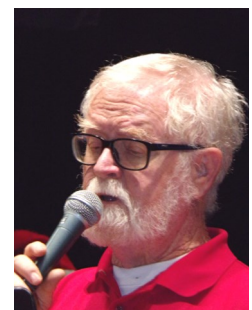
2025 Silver Members

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Joel Siegel
Bill Sheckherd
Ron Shipman &
Judy Richart

*Please consider
becoming a Silver
Member*





BSR Receives 2024-2025 Senior Dancing Grant!

Our organization is truly grateful for the many years of support from the Community Foundation of San Luis Obispo County. This grant of \$10,000 helps pay for the professional musicians who share their musical talents at our monthly Sunday concerts, offering the kind of music to which our seniors love to dance!

The story of this grant goes back in time to the days of BSR musician and past president, Tom Dutart. Among his many donations of time to Seniors, Tom was also president of the Santa Maria Valley Citizen's Club. He received a call one day from a man who was charged with finding a non-profit organization to handle a million-dollar donation for senior dancing from a deceased gentleman who loved to dance. Tom kept in contact with this man who several years later said the money was available through a grant application. At that time, the Senior Club had a band named Riptide playing for senior dances once a month. They were paid tips only. Thinking musicians deserved more than tips, Tom successfully applied for this grant of \$10,000 for the Riptide Band!

When that grant was awarded, Tom gave his copies of the application to our current BSR President Rhonda Cardinal, knowing BSR would be eligible. Rhonda applied annually beginning in 2012-2013. At that time, it was not administered by the Community Foundation. The grant had to be hand written and delivered in multiple copies.

Rhonda believes this grant was turned over to the Community Foundation in 2016 and eventually became totally available

electronically. Rhonda had been applying and receiving this grant since 2012-2013. LaDean Talcott took over writing this grant in 2018-2019. All total, if our memories are correct, we have been receiving this grant for 13 years!

Last year in celebration of their official 25th Anniversary, the Community Foundation gave out \$25,000....25 grants of \$5000 each to some of their long time and most worthy recipients. BSR was one of those 25 organizations! We were awarded this special grant at a lovely reception held at the Talley home in Arroyo Grande. Thank you, thank you, thank you! You have made many dancing seniors very happy!



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Usually at the Pismo Beach Vets Hall

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Upcoming Events:

January: Membership renewal time!

February 17: House Concert, Carl Sonny Leyland with Ethan Lienwand & Valerie Jo Kirchoff at the Cardinals \$25, Indoors.

February 23rd: Feature Band: Big Sirs of Swing, Opening Band, Arroyo Grande High School Jazz Band

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