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We would love to have you join any one of these Board Member Committees. Just let us know.



ALL YOU JAZZ LOVERS . . .
PLEASE HELP by contributing articles to the newsletter. This is YOUR paper. You are welcome to write about anything that would be of interest to our readers. We would like to hear from writers, cartoonists, artists, critics, etc. Send your contribution to Heidi Evelyn at heidievelynjazz@gmail.com

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Please take this opportunity to show your support for preserving trad jazz. We invite you to join by filling in the form below.

Please enroll Renew You may contact me regarding volunteer work

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP: *Thru December 2024*

Individual - \$30 Couple - \$40 Musician - \$15 Musician Couple - \$20

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Joyce Taylor, President 2022 & 2023

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Clint Baker's New Orleans Jazz Band was fabulous on Sunday December 17th at the Sunnyvale Elks Lodge. Everyone in the audience said they were a really hot band, and I agree! The dancers were on the floor giving their feet a fun time.

2023 was a wonderful musical year! We had 3 youth bands perform for us, and they were a big hit. We will continue inviting youth bands to perform for us. We changed our sets schedule, and almost all involved liked the change. We invited the dance community, and will continue inviting them. They love dancing to Trad and Swing Music. And, we had 12 outstanding featured bands perform, and more are

Dear friends,

I am so excited to be part of this organization. I love what it stands for and I hope it will continue to support performance, promotion and preservation of traditional jazz for many years. Sadly, many of our sister organizations have closed their doors recently. As the new president of this organization, I am going to do my best to ensure that this does not happen to us. I would like to share our financial status with you. We have enough in our bank account to stay open for another six months, unless we are able to minimize our expenses and generate more revenue. The board of directors has come up with some ideas to reduce our monthly

lined up for this year. We ended 2023 with Clint Baker's New Orleans Jazz Band which was the cherry on top of the musical cake!

Benny Amon's New Orleans Pearls will be our first band of the New Year. They will start off our Music and Dance Party on Sunday, January 28, 2024. Music 1-5pm with Benny's band 2-4pm. Looking forward to listening and dancing.

Thank you 2023 Board of Directors! A round of applause for your hard work. We met some of our goals, and will continue working toward meeting all of our goals. I am looking forward to some new and exciting ideas that will keep South Bay and our community dancing, listening, performing, and embracing Music

losses, so that we can get back up on our feet financially. Here are the strategies we are implementing in order to stretch our funds:

1. We will hire smaller sized bands. If our monthly attendance grows, so will the size of the bands, but for the next few months, we will provide quartets of the highest quality for your enjoyment.
2. We will host advanced level dance workshops in place of our first jam session. We are going to try this for a few months, in an effort to teach members of the south bay dance community how to better connect with the music that we provide. The hope is to boost attendance while growing prospective new traditional jazz

Education.

Congratulations to the new South Bay Trad Jazz Society Board of Directors for 2024! Starting this month, you will see some of those new exciting changes I have been talking about. Plans are in the works. I am looking forward to you, our South Bay TJS Community for continued participation, new members, and a social media presence that will bring in more people and more monetary donations to help us pay for rent, sound engineer, and our featured bands, as well as the liquor license and security guard which were new laws in 2023, so we can move forward in 2024 with Trad Jazz and Swing Music. Heidi Evelyn Arnott is now our new President for 2024. Congratulations! I know you will do a great job!

enthusiasts.

3. We will reformat our jam session to be more rotation-based. This is to give all participants a chance to play every week, and attract more jammers.
4. We are requesting that our existing members consider donating, to help keep our organization alive.

If you have any ideas or questions, please feel free to reach out to me or any of the other board members, either in person at our next event, or via email. Thank you for your dedication and support!

Heidi Evelyn

IN THANKS

The South Bay Board of Directors would like to thank the members who served on the board in 2023 but will not be returning this year. While it is impossible to list all the work they put into our organization, we would like to mention some of the highlights.

Jim O'Briant served as a very successful editor of the BEAT. Under his supervision, our monthly newsletter was always on time, accurate and informative. He also worked on keeping our jam books up to date, helping ensure that our jam sessions ran smoothly. Thank you, Jim!

Sunny Tokunaga served as board secretary and also created our beautiful new website! She worked to make sure our records were correct, and put many hours into organizing our files. We are so grateful to you, Sunny!

Jon Schermer served for many years as our treasurer, filing our taxes and making sure we file all the documents necessary to keep our nonprofit status. Thank you, Jon, for your years of service!

IN MEMORIAM

Mal Silva, who was a longtime member of the South Bay Trad Jazz Society and South Bay Trad Jazz Society Board of Directors, passed away in November 2023. He was a follower and supporter of Traditional Jazz and our community at large. Those of us who knew him, have missed him, and will continue missing him and his wonderful sense of humor. He had turned 100 years old last March 2023. Condolences to his partner, Barbara Kinney, and his family.

Joyce Taylor

DONATE TO SOUTH BAY?

We have a donation you may want!

We have a donation of a 1968 poster of the Emperor Norton's Jass Band, led by Norton Fredlund, an article from the S.J. Mercury that goes with it, and a tee shirt with the band name. We also have a donation of two tee shirts with Jammers written on them. At our next Music and Dance Party on January 28th at the Elks, these items will be out on a table near the Entry. It would be wonderful if you could give South Bay a nice donation for any or all of these items. All donations go to support South Bay, especially those bands you love. Please see Joyce Taylor, board member, to discuss your donation. Thanks!



**SBTJS Jam Tunes
JAN 28, 2023**

- JAM SET -

Starts about 4:10 pm

- Doctor Jazz Eb
- Just A Little While To F-Ab
- Stay Here
- See See Rider Ab
- When I Grow Too Old Eb-W
- To Dream
- Tiger Rag Bb-F-Eb-Ab
- Sweethearts On Parade F
- Do You Know What It C
- Means To Miss New Orleans
- Down By The Riverside F
- I Ain't Gonna Give Nobody Bb
- None O' My Jelly Roll
- What A Friend We Have In F
- Jesus

JAM SET PLAYERS

December 17th, 2023

Thanks to these musicians, who donate their time and talent. Apologies for anyone missed.

- Joyce TaylorCo-Leader, Banjo, Vocals
- Don Abel.Co-Leader, Cornet
- Lyle GillisonReeds
- Mike HartTuba
- Jerry RosenblumEuphonium
- Bill Todd.Drums
- Michael Ellenberger.Guitar
- Larry Yelowitz.Piano
- Larry Seegar.Bones
- Lewis KeizerCornet

Musicians who wish to participate in the jam sets need to sign up in advance with Don Abel or Joyce Taylor.

2024 Special Memberships

SUSTAINING

- Steve & Bonnie Abrams
- Steven & Joy Apple
- Paul Bostwick
- Doc & Bernice Eggen
- Mary Pelican & Carol Goedde
- Larry Blake & Carolyn Hughes
- Karen Kalinsky & Stan Isaacs
- Frank & Diane Kardas
- John Law
- Ken Lepere
- Cecelia Maloney
- Howard & Susan Miyata
- Jim O'Briant
- Eli Bail & Carol Rosenberg
- Jon & Verlene Schermer
- Ken Peterson & Anita Siegel
- Joyce Taylor
- Sunny & Harvey Tokunaga
- Larry Yelowitz

PATRON

- Pat & Shirley Campbell
- Jack Gerkin
- Judy Hagan
- Marilee Jensen & Joseph Taddei
- Leone Rodriguez & Fred Nidiffer
- Jerry & Lois Rosenblum
- Bill Todd
- Tony Clements

ANGEL

We would love to see your name here!

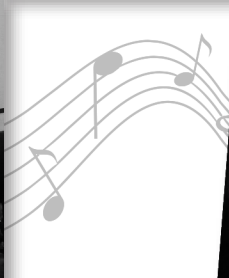
DOUBLE ANGEL

- Rick & Amy Magnuson

We appreciate & value your membership!



WHO WAS DANCIN' & JAMMIN' ON DEC 17TH?





MUSIC MUSIC MUSIC

It was another fun musical Sunday, December 17th at the Sunnyvale Elks Lodge as the open Jam Set started at 1pm. The musicians who always show up were there to play and sing for our audience. During the 2 Jam Sets, Leonne led a few parades with her gorgeous parasol, followed by twirling parasols and dancing feet. A fun time was had by Jam Set Musicians, listeners, and dancers. We also had what everyone was saying was a really hot band, Clint Baker's New Orleans Jazz Band. Many were just listening to this great group. With Clint, we always learn something as well. Thank you Clint. Thank you Jam Set Musicians, our regular group of musicians and new 2023 musicians, for another great musical year. Please keep coming back. Volunteer Jam Set Musicians are priceless!

Let's have another Musical year!

JOYCE TAYLOR Banjo

SBTJS DATES FOR 2024

Mark your calendar now so you don't miss any of our 2023 Sunday Jazz & Dance Parties!

- **January 28, 2024**
- **February 25, 2024**
- **March 24, 2024**

(We usually meet on the 4th Sunday of each month. Sometimes, it is moved to the third Sunday, usually to avoid the weekends of Memorial Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas).

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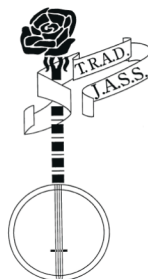


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2024 CALENDAR of EVENTS

**JAN 28 Benny Amon's New Orleans
Pearls**

FEB 25 Jessica King

MAR 24 Nick Rossi

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inclusion in the next
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Beat must be
submitted to the
editor by 12 noon on
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BOARD MEETING

WEDNESDAY
Jan 31, 2024
10:30 a.m.
Elks Lodge
375 N. Pastoria Ave.
Sunnyvale, CA 94085

 *Happy
New Year*

SUN, JAN 28, 2024

1:00-5:00 PM

Sunnyvale Elks Lodge #2128
375 N. Pastoria Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94085



Benny Amon's New Orleans Pearls

Benny is a performing, recording, and teaching artist who specializes in New Orleans Jazz, Swing, and Beyond. Benny Amón's relatively young career in jazz has established him as one of the most prominent early jazz drummers on

the planet. Currently splitting his time between his native San Francisco Bay Area & his adopted long term home of New Orleans, Benny continues to pursue opportunities to perform, teach, and record with world class musicians. Benny is a Teaching

Artist with the Preservation Hall Foundation and the Jazz In Schools program at Jazz at Lincoln Center. In the Bay Area he regularly leads his own quartet, and works with a variety of bands. He is also the Musical Director for the South Bay Traditional Jazz Society.