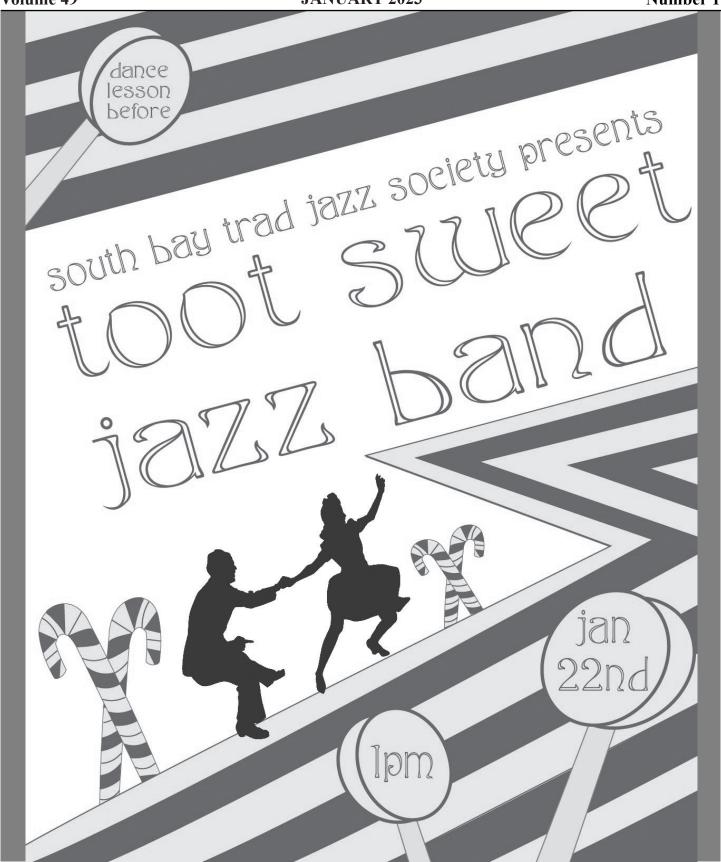
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SBTJS, P.O. BOX 3980, SAN JOSE, CA 95150

Happy New Year!

Oh, happy day! Many were dressed to impress as they danced to Clint Baker's New Orleans Jazz Band on Sunday, December 18th. There were lights on the stage and balloons along with great Traditional Jazz Music. The dancers couldn't sit still and filled the floor all afternoon. Clint's band is always in rare form. What fun!

We had many people dressed for a Jazz Band Ball, and it was quite a contest for Best Dressed for this Ball. The audience did their best to choose, and we had four winners who took home prizes like champagne. At the end of a fun filled dancing afternoon the audience took home all the small trees, and all the candy that decorated their tables. Yum! So, everyone went home with a prize that afternoon from our Jazz Band Ball! This month, performing on Sunday, January 22nd, we have the great Toot

This month, performing on Sunday, January 22nd, we have the great Toot Sweet Jazz Band led by the famous Jack Gerken on trombone. This band always brings out the dancers, so get your tickets now.

Don't forget to renew your membership for 2023 or join if you are not a member. Your membership helps hire our Trad Jazz Bands, and makes a special place for our dancing community. Win! Win! There's a membership form on page 2. Please include your email address and phone number, in case we need to contact you. We don't share this info outside our Board of Directors.



The SBTJS Board Members are all volunteers. We are not paid, and willingly volunteer to help keep Traditional Jazz alive, with band performances and dancer participation. The current Board of Directors have all agreed to continue in their positions for 2023. Thank you! We would love to have you volunteer to join us on any of the committees. We can always use the help, and your new ideas.

Looking forward to a sweet afternoon of music and dancing at the Elks in Sunnyvale on Sunday, January 22nd starting at 1:00 pm. See you there!



### SBTJS Jam Tunes JAN. 22, 2023

#### - 1ST JAM SET -

| Bring Me Sunshine           | F     |  |  |
|-----------------------------|-------|--|--|
| Bring Me Sunshine           | Bb    |  |  |
| Shine                       | Eb    |  |  |
| My Wild Irish Rose          | C     |  |  |
| Yellow Dog Blues            | Bb-Eb |  |  |
| Honeysuckle Rose            | F     |  |  |
| Is It True What They Say    |       |  |  |
| About Dixie                 | F     |  |  |
| Hindustan                   | Bb    |  |  |
| - 2ND JAM SET -             |       |  |  |
| My Honey's Lovin' Arms      | F     |  |  |
| Put On Your Old Gray Bonnet | Bb-F  |  |  |
| Charmaine                   | Eb    |  |  |
| Sugar                       | F     |  |  |
| Rockin' Chair               | Eb    |  |  |
| I Ain't Gonna Give Nobody   |       |  |  |
| None O' My Jelly Roll       | Bb    |  |  |
| EXTRA                       |       |  |  |
| Old Fashioned Love          | Eb    |  |  |
| Old Fashioned Love          | F     |  |  |

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

#### JAM SET PLAYERS DEC. 18, 2022

Thanks and apologies for anyone missed. Musicians who wish to participate in the jam sets need to sign up in advance with Don Abel or Joyce Taylor.

# **2023** Special Memberships

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Judy Hagen Amy & Rich Magnuson

We appreciate all our members and value your membership!



# WHO WAS DANCIN' & JAMMIN' ON DEC. 18TH?





# TOOT SWEET JAZZ BAND

Traditional Jazz ("Tradjazz") encompasses major evolving trends in jazz—from its beginnings in the ragtime era (1890s) through the present. Major influences include the blues (1910 onward), New Orleans jazz (from 1912) "Roaring Twenties" hot jazz (1920s, of course), big band jazz (since the 1920s), the Swing Era (mid-1930s onward), and San Francisco Revival (1940s-60s).

#### You can hear all of this in Toot Sweet's music!

Toot Sweet was formed in 1990. Their overall style radiates high energy and reflects joy in playing for their audiences. They are increasingly becoming known for music that is fun to dance to as well as for listening enjoyment.

The band's experience includes many summer concerts and art-and-wine festivals in at least 20 Bay Area cities; jazz festivals in 26 venues on the West Coast; numerous guest band appearances at all 7 of Central California's Tradjazz societies; countless parties, celebrations, wakes, church services, charity events, special events (such as Fleet Week outings on the Liberty Ship Jeremiah O'Brien), business conferences, and all sorts of casuals.

Toot Sweet's instrumentation consists of trumpet, clarinet, trombone, banjo/guitar, tuba, piano, and drums.

# IT'S RENEWAL TIME!

"What the new year brings to you will depend a great deal on what you bring to the new year." —Vern McLellan

If you haven't done this already we want to remind you that the New Year brings the time to renew your South Bay Traditional Jazz Society membership, or, if you're not currently a member, to become one.

Our annual dues are extremely reasonable, and they go a long way toward paying the expenses we incur while bringing great Traditional Jazz and Dancing to you each month.

Our membership form, for joining or renewing, is on page 2 of this newsletter. When you fill out the form, please include your email address and phone number, so we can contact you with last minute information if necessary. And please consider making an additional donation, and becoming a Sustaining Member, Patron or Angel, to help ensure the continued operation of SBTJS.

If you love something, support it.

If nobody supports it,
it will eventually go away.

#### **MUSICIANS**

Ray Buhler - Clarinet. Growing up in Europe, Ray was introduced to Tradjazz by listening to the US Armed Forces Network radio broadcasts in the late 1950s. Ray eventually moved to the US. Around the year 2000, he joined the South Bay Stompers, performing regularly at "The Cats" pub in Los Gatos and "Britannia Arms" pub in Cupertino-San Jose. In 2012 he joined Toot Sweet, where he rapidly became one of the band's mainstays.

**Pat Dutrow** - Banjo (and Guitar, sometimes). Pat brings high energy, great skill, and an obvious love of his craft to Toot Sweet's performances. At just eight years of age, Pat learned to play banjo from his father. Pat has played with (among others) the popular Professor Plum Jazz Band, the Natural Gas Jazz Band, the Fog City Stompers, as well as currently with the Zinfandel Stompers and Toot Sweet.

Jack Gerken - Trombone. Playing gigs since 1951 (he's pretty old), Jack has kept his focus on Tradjazz; and he has continuously played in and led Tradjazz and swing groups (except for a break to help found and raise a family of five children). He has been a member of Toot Sweet since 1993. He became leader in 1996 upon the untimely death of the band's founder, John Bria. Jack also enjoys playing in a variety of musical genres,

*Mike Hart* - Tuba. A San Francisco native, Mike has been playing bass brass instruments (tuba, sousaphone and helicon) for more years than he can count. He has played tuba with the Pacific Coast Ragtime Orchestra since its founding in 1979 and is the president of the PCRO organization. He is the tuba player for the Fog City Stompers and Silicon Gulch Jazz Band, as well as for Toot Sweet.

**Dr. Lewis Keizer** - Cornet. In the early 1960s, Lewis played trumpet and cornet with the Portland Symphony Orchestra. Lewis has performed with many if not most of the major Tradjazz bands in California and neighboring states; and he has performed at many jazz festivals, including the Sacramento Jazz Jubilee and Dixieland Monterey. Lewis plays regularly with the Silicon Gulch Jazz Band, who have continuously performed Tuesday nights-for more than 35 years-at the Swinging Door in San Mateo.

*Rich (Bear) Owens* - Piano. Rich was the original pianist with Toot Sweet. They include the Fog City Stompers, Swing Shift, Alcatraz Angels, Natural Gas Jazz Band, Bye Bye Blues Boys, Jambalaya Swing, Zinfandel Stompers, Flying Eagle Jazz Band, and Tuleburg Jazz Band. Rich also leads his own band, the Thrown Together Jazz Band. The members are seasoned veterans and good friends all.

Adam Roderick - Adam's resume includes more than four dozen groups he plays (or has played) with — and he's not quite over the hill, yet. His range of experience is typified by the following examples: Pacific Coast Ragtime Orchestra, Don Neely's New Orleans Rhythm Kings, Fog City Stompers, Rex Allen's Big Band (and his Swing Express), The Loaded Ponies Western Swing, Grooveyard Rock, and Rhythm and Funk.

# MUSIC & MUSIC

#### Happy New Year!

The South Bay Traditional Jazz Society Jammer Band out did themselves on Sunday, December 18th. They continued the wonderful Trad Jazz Music the guest band, Clint Baker's New Orleans Jazz Band was playing, with many of your favorite musicians like Howard Miyata, Brian Richardson, Mike Hart, and Larry Yelowitz. The stage was filled with music and filled with musicians. Don Abel is so adept at handling all those musicians. Thanks Don. The fabulous dancers continued until the very last note was played. What a day!

This is the time of year, Jammers, to renew your membership, or become a member. Your membership helps hire the guest bands and keeps Trad Jazz alive, which gives us a place to perform. Thanks!

We are looking forward to another Trad Jazz filled Sunday on January 22nd with the Toot Sweet Jazz Band. Jammers, keep that date open and come and join us for an afternoon full of fun.

JOYCE TAYLOR - Banjo

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

- January 22
- February 26
- March 26
- April 23
- May 21 (3rd Sunday)
- June 25

- July 23
- August 27
- September 24
- October 22
- November 19 (3rd Sunday)
- December 17 (3rd Sunday)

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

### NAPA VALLEY DIXIELAND JAZZ SOCIETY

**Second Sundays EACH MONTH** FEB. 12, 2023 SAN FRANCISCO FEETWARMERS

February Venue: Veteran's Memorial Building 126 First Street West, Sonoma, CA

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Grange Hall, 743 Diablo Rd. More info. www.jazznut.com 510-655-6728



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www.montereyhotjazzsociety.org

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## Fresno Dixieland Society

1 pm-5 pm • Fresno Elks Lodge 439 5351 N. Diana Ct., Fresno, CA

Info. Stephanie 559-246-4160 Members: \$10 Non-members: \$15

www.fresnodixie.com



### NEW ORLEANS JAZZ CLUB

OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA P.O. BOX 27232, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94127

MEETS ON THE THIRD SUNDAY

1:00-5:00 PM

www.nojcnc.org

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> Info.: Tom Belmessieri, 925-432-6532 TBELMO@HOTMAIL.COM



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Feb. 5, 2023 - FRISCO JB, Bob Schultz

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#### TIME SENSITIVE

### **2023 CALENDAR of EVENTS**

JAN. 22

**Toot Sweet Jazz Band** 

**FEB. 26** 

Nathan's Fearless Five

**MAR. 26** 

If you receive the "South Bay Beat" via email, we'll send you a message with the band info. as soon as it's confirmed

All material for inclusion in the February issue of the "South Bay Beat' must be in the hands of the Acting Editor

Jim O'Briant

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#### **BOARD MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 25, 2023** 11:30 a.m.

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





**SUN., JAN. 22, 2023** 

1:00 PM - 4:45 PM

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

**Band Members...** 

Jack Gerken, trombone & leader ● Ray Buehler, Clarinet ● Dr. Lewis Keizer, Cornet Mike Hart, Tuba ● Pat Dutrow, Banjo/Guitar ● Rich Owens, Piano ● Adam Roderick, Drums