

JIVE TALKIN'

Mardi Gras Ball again a roaring success

FOJ's biggest annual event underscores its purpose: Passing the jazz torch.

For its 14th annual Mardi Gras Ball, Friends of Jazz had a multitude to offer, from tasty food to terrific silent auction items to the crowning of a new king and queen. But as is often the case, it was the live music that was a standout: Attendees heard children playing jazz on their recorders, examples of great early jazz from students of Cal State Fullerton, and danceable big band and swing tunes from Fullerton College's student musicians.

All served as reminders of why FOJ came into being, why it exists and why it keeps on keepin' on: to instill within young people an interest in and a love of jazz so that the music continues to flourish well into the 21st century. Never has the mission "Help Keep Music in Our

Schools" been so loud and clear.

By 5 p.m., things were already nearly in full swing in the ballroom of Brea's Embassy Suites. Under the direction of Chuck Tumlinson, Cal State Fullerton's Early Jazz Ensemble provided the event's pre-dinner live music. Making up the ensemble: Gary Gould on clarinet and saxophone, Danny Anaya on guitar, Andrew E. Barrett on piano, Freddy Uyehara on bass and Tim Brennan on drums. Guest performers Vinnie Nguyen on trombone and Tumlinson himself on trumpet rounded out the group. Its repertoire of mostly '20s selections included "Bye Bye Blues," "(Back Home Again in) Indiana," "Tin Roof Blues" and "Way Down Yonder in New Orleans."

Master of Ceremonies Wayne Mason delivered the welcome remarks and introductions. Dean and Jeanie Stockwell, the outgoing King and Queen, then made way for the coronation of Doug Chaffee and Pau-



PASSING THE BATON: Newly crowned King and Queen Doug Chaffee and Paulette Marshall cross scepters, joined by outgoing royalty Dean and Jeanie Stockwell.

Photo by Eric Marchese

lette Marshall, an honor bestowed in recognition of the couple's many contributions to the Fullerton community and their longtime support of Friends of Jazz. The new King gave thanks to all, noting that "Fullerton's true riches are

its people, and the new Queen then recited an original poem about Jean and Bill Klinghoffer and all of FOJ. Next, the Early Jazz Ensemble provided a spirited rendition of "When the Saints Go Marching In" for the New

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Recorder program kids have their day in the sun

On Tuesday, April 7, 2015, Friends of Jazz's successful fourth-grade recorder class program had a chance to show its value in an unusual setting: that of city government.

With their parents proudly watching, 11 fourth-graders from Beechwood School provided the opening of the weekly Fullerton City Council meeting at City Hall, for the pledge of allegiance, by performing the song "America the Beautiful" on their recorders.

The musical performance wasn't just accessible live; it was also televised on Time Warner's channel 3 and streamed online via the city's website.

For their efforts, performance and accomplishments, each student received a special pin and was made an Associate Mayor. 🎵



Photos by Chi-Chung Keung





Members thanked for continued support

Dear Supporters of Friends of Jazz:

Friends of Jazz, Inc. is most appreciative of the memberships and attendance at the events that help keep music in our schools. Each year a budget is developed that determines how all of the programs will be financed by Friends of Jazz.

It is so important to have your membership funds and financial support. We encourage you to continue as well as having your family, friends and neighbors attend our various events.

We also welcome ideas, suggestions, volunteerism, etc. Please do not hesitate to call to voice an opinion, an idea, criticism or just to say "I'd like to be on that committee" etc. We welcome all the help we can get.

Jean

Jean Klinghoffer,
Membership Chair
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German band slated for Oktoberfest

Friends of Jazz treasurer Nick Batinich has hired the Alpine Quintet, an authentic German band, to perform at FOJ's annual Oktoberfest. The event, one of FOJ's most popular pre-Mardi Gras parties, will be held on Sunday evening, October 25, at the Elks Lodge of Fullerton. We'll detail this group next issue.

A CLARIFICATION: In the last issue of *Jive Talkin'*, in an article on page 5 about the Appreciation Concert held at Meng Hall, Cal State University Fullerton, on October 17, 2014, it wasn't made clear that CSUF, not Friends of Jazz, hosted the reception preceding the concert.

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FOJ news in brief

World Music Day is an annual music festival that takes place in many cities and more than 100 countries around the world on June 21, the first day of summer. This year, Fullerton will join the event with Day of Music Fullerton, a city-wide celebration of music that will unfold at numerous venues and sites throughout Fullerton from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday, June 21 (the first day of summer).

For more information, go to thedayofmusic.com or contact Carol van Ahlers, carol.vanahlers@sbcglobal.net

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Mike Peak of the The Peak Experience Jazz Ensemble reports that Volume 1 of the group's "Live at Lucy's Place" series of CDs is here! The recording, which Peak said "has the same high-energy 'house party' dynamics that is the standard for all of the Lucy's Place concerts," will be unveiled at a free CD release party on May 31. For more info., contact Mike at mikepeak@cox.net or 949-425-9192.

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Friends of Jazz is now accepting display ads in its newsletter, which reaches more than 300 readers each issue. The response to ads in the Mardi Gras program has brought new business to many of our advertisers. Ads in *Jive Talkin'* will not only help FOJ, but also provide new customers for the business owner. Ad sizes and rates are full-page (7" w x 10" h), \$100; half-page vertical (3.5" w x 10" h), \$55; half-page horizontal (7" w x 5" h), \$55; quarter-page (3.5" w x 5" h), \$35; business card (3.5" w x 2" h), \$25. To place your ad or for more information, contact Irene Kauppi at 714-525-5162. ♪

Educators say 'Thank you, FOJ!'

To whom it may concern:

Friends of Jazz has dynamically encouraged my students in multiple ways in academics and self-confidence. I have asked FOJ to come to my classroom for at least eight years. Each year, I watch FOJ's super-talented music teachers introduce my students to the recorder – most of them for the first time. Within 10 class sessions, my class is able to perform at least five or six songs for their parents and the community. To me that is amazing!

I do not have musical training, so I am blessed to have FOJ come to teach music to my students. Some of my students are not academically inclined, but when it comes time for the recorder class, that is where they shine. It is so very important to give every child the opportunity to discover music – and not only that, but to see that they can also create music. In learning an instrument, my students feel a new confidence – most of them so much that when they get to the fifth grade, they sign up for Band Class.

I have found that FOJ's recorder class has been an invaluable addition to the fourth grade's academic and arts program. I truly hope we can continue this relationship for many years to come,

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High school jazz band students strut their stuff

It's another great spring for the long-running FOJ program

As this year's springtime high school jazz band program at Steamers wound down to its conclusion, each outstanding student musician made his or her mark upon not just FOJ judges, but parents and family, friends and jazz fans.

Friends of Jazz sponsored 11 high school jazz bands at Steamers Jazz Club in Fullerton from March 7 to May 23. Each week, FOJ awarded \$400 scholarship to an excellent musician and a \$300 contribution to each jazz program for a total of \$7,700.

Here are this year's scholarship recipients:

Brethren Christian: Austin Apple, trombone; El Dorado: Noah Johnson, alto & soprano saxophone; Esperanza: David Tecker, upright bass; Fullerton: Josselyn Escobar, tenor sax; Irvine: Rocky Mandayam, alto sax; Long Beach Polytechnic: Emily Chun, piano; Los Alamitos: Todd Scales, guitar; Mission Viejo: Maria Gorkovenko, trumpet; Servite: Jake Steins, tenor saxophone; Valencia: Baltazar Montoya, bass; Yorba Linda: Kaylah Ivey, drums.



Left, from top: Esperanza's David Tecker and Brad Davis, Los Alamitos' Griffins, El Dorado trombonist, Fullerton's Troy Trimble and Josselyn Escobar. Center, from top: Long Beach Poly's Chris Stevens and Emily Chun, Mission Viejo's Maria Gorkovenko with FOJ's Judy and Gil McFadden, Irvine's Rocky Mandayam and Bob Avzaradel with FOJ's Dylan Harlan, Servite's Mike Burrows and Jake Steins with FOJ's Jim Harlan and Dale & Sue Boatman, Valencia's Baltazar Montoya & Pete Perez with FOJ's Phil Rothstein. Above: Brethren Christian's Len Montgomery and Austin Apple. Below: Yorba Linda Mustangs.

Photos by Jim Harlan, Alexander Gorkovenko, Judi McDuff and Paul Burciaga

Scholarship winners are selected on their skill level, technique, dynamics, and command of the instrument. The program chair is Jim Harlan,

and FOJ members Dale and Sue Boatman, Dylan Harlan, Eric Marchese, Gil and Judy McFadden, Phil Rothstein and Colleen Wadsworth helped to

judge this year. Special thanks to Steamers' Terence Love for providing the venue and to concerts series program chairman Rich Watson.

Music educators write to Friends of Jazz to express gratitude

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I've seen firsthand how tremendously beneficial it is to give students the opportunity to learn to read, play and create music.

Danielle Bagger,
Fourth-grade Teacher of the Year 2015,
Raymond Elementary School, Fullerton



This letter is to forward my highest and unconditional recommendation of Friends of Jazz for any endowment or other type of financial support for which they may be eligible. As an organization, FOJ is a truly unique, remarkable and wonderfully be-

nevolent asset to our musical community. For more than 15 years, our school has had the privilege of participating in FOJ's high school jazz showcase at Steamers and has received literally thousands of dollars in contributions to our program as well as individual student scholarships to outstanding high school musicians chosen at the performance.

The program monies are used to purchase equipment and sheet music and to fund the visits of professional clinicians to our school. The scholarship funds are used by students to further their individual music education and pursuit of excellence.

Jim Harlan, Nick Batinich and the other wonderful people in FOJ devote every Saturday afternoon over many weeks each year to attending this series and making sure that hundreds of aspiring young musicians have a first-class experience at Steamers. I strongly believe that they deserve every bit of support possible, financial and otherwise, in their continued efforts! The fantastic support of Friends of Jazz, artistically and financially, is never taken for granted. It is my pleasure to write this letter, and please don't hesitate to be in touch with me regarding anything

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Memorable 2015 Mardi Gras Ball moments

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Orleans-style parade. As guests awaited the serving of dinner, fourth-graders from Beechwood School, all “graduates” of FOJ’s fourth-grade recorder program, were introduced by Jennifer Hart, the program’s director and one of three instructors FOJ provides to area grade schools. “We have to start them at this age,” Hart said, indicating the children, “if we want to get them to *this* age,” she said, gesturing to the college student musicians.

The fourth-graders started with “Mary Ann,” “America the Beautiful” and “A-Tasket, A-Tasket.” The kids then improvised solos for “In the Mood” and “C Jam Blues” before being joined by Gary Gould on the penny whistle. The recorder concert concluded with “Amazing Grace” and “Swing Along.” The five fourth-graders were Hannah Bagger, Dylan Herron, Dylan Lambrose, Agusta Passalacqua and Eileen Seo. Hannah Bagger’s mother Danielle is a fourth-grade teacher at Raymond School who partakes of FOJ’s recorder program for her classroom.

After-dinner dancing was provided by the Fullerton College Big Band under the direction of Bruce Babad. The band featured Leah Alvarez, Grant Beach, Chris Cockrill, Harrit Tam and Stephen



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Wood on saxophone; Ryan Crew, Kara Ford, Miles George and Tim St. Aubin, (trumpets); Moises Cortes, Brandon Gammon, Alexander Goldman and Sam Gonzalez (trombones); and Nathaniel Bryant, Daniel Newell, Teresa Sanchez and Nico Vasquez in the rhythm section. The vocalists were John-

ny Arenas, Janina Brown and Jamie Shew.
Student musician Gary Gould called the event “a beautiful evening” and told FOJ “keep up the good work!” Long-time FOJ member Dave Reid said “Congratulations for another spectacular Mardi Gras party. The arrangements were perfect and the music was great. What

can be better than a group of college swingers playing big band jazz? The recorder kids were wonderful.”
“The meal was very good and the auction items were excellent – I got the basket of jazz-themed children’s books and am donating it to the Reading Center at Cal State Fullerton. I am always happy to support Friends of Jazz.”

SAVE THE DATES OF THESE EXCITING 2015 FOJ EVENTS!

- July 26, 2015** All That Jazz, Los Coyotes Country Club, Buena Park. Music: Hart & Soul.
- Sept. 13, 2015** Members Party, Fullerton Elks Lodge, Fullerton. Music: Professionals and students.
- Oct. 25, 2015** Oktoberfest, Fullerton Elks Lodge, Fullerton. Music: Alpine Quintet.
- October, TBA** Appreciation reception, scholarship presentation and concert, Meng Hall, Cal State University Fullerton. Music: Fullerton Jazz Orchestra & Big Band.
- December, TBA** Scholarship presentation and concert, Fullerton College.

Cow-Bop a lighthearted mix of country, western & jazz

This year's Country-Western Jazz pre-Mardi Gras party was in many ways typical of those of years past.

Bruce Forman and his Cow-Bop band dazzled with many great hits. Plenty of great standards, whether country or jazz, were in the air. A batch of terrific prizes were won by excited attendees in the raffle. Bruce sang a funny solo about old-age forgetfulness. Pinto Pammy swept onto the dance floor, joining the FOJ members already there.

Bruce opened things by noting that having played for FOJ for "the sixth or seventh year," this was Cow-Bop's "longest Orange County gig." He pointed out that two of his band members, Ryan McDiarmid and Tino Tafarella, were jazz studies majors and soon-to-be college grads.

The band played everything from "Route 66," "Makin' Whoopee," "Walkin' After Midnight" and "Why Don't You Love Me (Like You Used to Do)" to "These Boots Are Made for Walkin'," "Mambo Italiano," "Pammy's Back in Town" (a spoof of Fats Waller's "Lulu's Back in Town") and a Turkish-sounding number with middle-Eastern sounding



Photos by Eric Marchese

horn licks and Pammy making like a belly dancer.

Event chair Charlotte Henderson took the mike to thank King and Queen Doug Chaffee and Paulette Marshall and everyone on the committee who made the evening possible – Nick and Dottie Batinich, Judi McDuff, Jean Klinghoffer, Irene Kauppi, Colleen Wadsworth and Joe Henderson.

In the same vein, Bruce lauded the efforts of Irene, whose beautiful table centerpieces, he said, "raise money for needy jazz kids." 🎵



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The memorial service for Bill McGarvey will be held on June 26, 2015.

Time: 11 a.m.

**Place: Muckenthaler Cultural Center,
1201 W. Malvern Avenue, Fullerton.**

Friends of Jazz extends its deepest condolences and sympathies to the entire McGarvey family.

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Friends of Jazz welcomes its newest members

2015:	Brethren Christian High School	Joan Hunt	Nancy Pretty
Irene Lange	Gloria Brown	Karen Katz	Sharon Quirk-Silva
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	Glenn and Barbara Hennessy		Dianne Wallace
			Alan Wilkes

Jazz educators express gratitude for FOJ's mission

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further about this fine organization. Chris Stevens, Chairman, Instrumental Music Department, Long Beach Polytechnic High School



Friends of Jazz is a great organization! Its generosity enables us and many schools to provide the enrichment and survival of America's truest art form. Jazz has been the foundation of American society for many years — it is unpatriotic to let our music dis-

appear. Friends of Jazz continues to raise funds to enable our students to experience what music has to offer.

Through its scholarships, we have been able to record our students, buy new cymbals, repair equipment and show our students that jazz is essential. Any support you can provide to Friends of Jazz would be greatly appreciated.

Bincins C. Garcia, Director, Yorba Linda High School student jazz band



For the last seven years, I have been working with a wonderful Fullerton organization called Friends of Jazz. These are extremely hard-working, congenial, resourceful and generous folks who essentially provide all of the scholarship aid we give to our students at Cal State Fullerton.

A number of these students have become established artists, performers and teachers in music largely due to their help.

Friends of Jazz also provides similar help for Fullerton College and works on providing musical instruments and training for high school and elementary school students.

Because of recent cutbacks in state support of higher education, organizations like FOJ are critical to the survival of jazz, the only serious musical art form created in America. Those who work in FOJ are people I admire and respect, and I consider them my friends. I donate on a regular basis to this organization, and encourage others to do so as well.

I'm always happy to speak with anyone who would like to know more about this wonderful group of people.

Bill Cunliffe,
Professor of Music,
Cal State Fullerton



Catch the last half of the annual MUCKENTHALER JAZZ FESTIVAL

Concerts are at 7:30 p.m. on consecutive Thursday nights.

June 4	Ron Eschete Trio
June 11	Charlie Shoemaker: "The Sounds of Shearing"
June 18	Sherry Williams Quartet
June 25	Glenn Cashman's Southland Nonet

Location: Muckenthaler Cultural Center, 1201 W. Malvern Ave., Fullerton.

Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 for day of the concert, or \$100 for entire series (Sorry: No member discounts available).

For questions or information about the festival, email info@TheMuck.org or call 866-411-1212.

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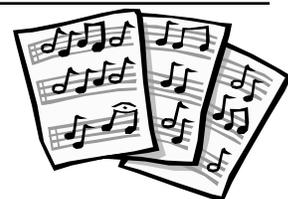
News & Notes

NOTICE: Volunteers are needed for Friends of Jazz mailings such as the newsletter and flyers for upcoming pre-Mardi Gras parties. Friends of Jazz is also looking to the membership for those who may be interested in helping board members with the responsibilities of their positions, or perhaps in an area where you, as a member, would like to be of help. If you can help, please call Dottie Batinich, 714-525-6669; Charlotte Henderson, 714-870-9067; or Jean Klinghoffer, 714-871-6342.



Upcoming 2015 Events

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| July 26 | All That Jazz, Los Coyotes Country Club |
| Sept. 13 | Members Party, Fullerton Elks Lodge |
| Oct. 25 | Oktoberfest, Fullerton Elks Lodge |



AROUND TOWN

Andrew Marks entertains every week for Sunday brunch (10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.) at Manhattan Steak and Seafood, 202 S. Main. St. Orange.

On Friday night, May 29, **Jennifer Hart** celebrates her birthday by singing at Baci Italian Restaurant, Huntington Beach, with **Lindsey Hundley** on piano. The duo return to Baci on Friday night, June 19. On Sunday morning, Jennifer sings for both 9 and 11 a.m. services at the Seal Beach Center for Spiritual Living; a week later, she's at CSL Menifee Valley, and on June 14, sings at both services for the Redondo Beach CSL. On Saturday evenings/nights, June 20 and 27, Jennifer goes solo in Sir Winston's Lounge aboard the Queen Mary, which has a full bar and serves dinner in the lounge so you can be serenaded while you wine and dine.

Jennifer will spend Sunday, June 21, singing in Fullerton as part of the day-long Day of Music celebration, the first time the event has ever been done in Fullerton. And on Friday night, June 26, **Hart and Soul** returns to Adele's in the San Clemente Inn, with **Lindsey Hundley** on piano, **Mark Isbell** on sax and **Bob Forte** on drums. H&S will be celebrating Sydelle Lepoff's birthday as well as the music of Marvin Hamlisch, Cole Porter, Frederick Loewe, Judy Garland, Paul McCartney, Richard Rodgers, Frank Loesser and Lena Horne, who all have June birthdays. 🎵