



Flower City Jazz Society

WHERE FRIENDS and JAZZ MEET...Newsletter Volume XVII Number 3 March 2016

Spring Into Action, March 21st, With the Dixieland Sounds of the **BOURBON STREET PARADE**

Bourbon Street Parade still 'on' after 45-plus swinging years

The Bourbon Street Parade used to play in many of Rochester's golf and social clubs, as well as in taverns, wedding receptions and jazz events. The players in those days were mostly youthful businessmen. And they put so much enthusiasm into their music that even the kids looking for rock and roll often were captured by jazz at the end of the evening.

The guys still get a real kick out of playing the jazz standards show tunes and blues. You may note a wrinkle or a gray hair here and there, but the joy in rediscovering a tune for the nth time hasn't gone away. *(Write-up by Dave Pierce, trombonist, who was there in a living room when the band was born.)*

The Bourbon Street Parade has played Flower City Jazz events many times since the jazz society was formed a couple of decades ago. Looking forward to a great evening with leader Al Bruno & his talented group.

The Radisson Hotel Airport
175 Jefferson Road
Rochester, NY 14623
Near RIT



Al Bruno, bassist, lays down a beat that reflects the 20-plus years he played in Manhattan with stars like Teddy Wilson, Lionel Hampton, Gene Krupa and Charlie Parker. He also played storied venues like Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center and Broadway theatres.

PLEASE SEND DINNER RESERVATIONS by "FRIDAY" [10-days prior to meeting].

NEED to Place Dinner Order by TUESDAY BEFORE FCJS EVENT.....

local first-class mail delivery seems to take 2-days or longer.

If you mail reservation only 7-days ahead, please CALL Ann Salisbury [for March, (585)225-2582] and leave detailed message about your order.

The Radisson Hotel, 175 Jefferson Road, Rochester, NY, 14623, located near Rochester Institute of Technology. For Flower City Jazz Society events, "parking" is in the well-lighted parking lot at the back of the hotel. A convenient, separate entrance to the ballroom area is also at the back of the hotel.

Here's a summary of the evening's schedule:

Gathering Area with bar & cheese/crackers, 5:30pm, large foyer adjacent to ballroom.
Check-In for Dinner Tickets/etc: Gathering Area. **Entry into the Ballroom Area:** 5:45pm
Music, Dinner, Conversation, Dancing, and all that other stuff 6:30pm—9:30pm.

The bar will remain in the hallway/foyer area for the evening.

MUSICIANS IN THE BOURBON STREET PARADE at Flower City Jazz , March 21.

Eric Metzgar, drums, Floyd Hughes, trombone, Chuck Van Buren, clarinet, Jon Seiger, trumpet/piano, with Al Bruno, bass. As with many bands in our area, original and/or long-time band-members are no longer playing. This year the Bourbon Street Parade remembers pianist Milo Tomanovich, who passed away February 8, 2016. Flower City Jazz fans may remember Milo playing for an IRISH Sing-Along during a band-break a couple of years ago.



Eric Metzgar (drums) For some of Eric's performances, see youtube.com clips: 6/13/2010 The Rush Henrietta Mixed Chorus singing the Theme From Spiderman (unwillingly). Conducted by Brian Bohrer with Yasuko Kelly on Piano & Eric Metzgar on Drums. 12/9/2009 The Rush-Henrietta Mixed/Womens Choruses singing 80's Dance Party. Conducted by Brian Bohrer with Yasuko Kelly (Piano), Laurence Tallman (Synthesizer), & Eric Metzgar (Drums). Eric plays often with Jon Seiger "trios" & with the All-Stars.



Floyd Hughes (Trombone and Vocals) has his Masters Degree in Music Education from Ball State University in Indiana, and is also a graduate of SUNY College at Fredonia. Floyd played in the US Army Marching Band and the US Army Jazz Band while stationed at Fort Jackson. Floyd taught instrumental music in the West Irondequoit, NY, school system, and has played trombone regularly with Billy Spitz & the Dixieland Stompers, the Bourbon Street Jazz Band, and leads his own group, the Stompers & All That Jazz. Floyd has also played with the big bands of Duke Spinner, Chick Edmonds, & Bud DeTar. Floyd is also an excellent vocalist and tenor banjo player, & does many solo gigs in the Rochester area.



Chuck Van Buren (clarinet and saxophone) — A native of Lockport, NY holds degrees in music education from the University of Wisconsin (Stevens Point) and the Eastman School of Music. In 2004 he retired from the Penfield Central School District after thirty-three years of teaching concert bands and jazz ensembles at all levels. Since 1988, Mr. Van Buren has served as director of the highly regarded Perinton Concert Band, an adult community band, which has performed throughout the north-eastern United States and Canada. As a professional musician Mr. Van Buren has performed in various commercial, jazz and classical music settings. He has performed on saxophone, as a member of the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, the Chautauqua Symphony and the Gap Mangione Big Band. He has performed with numerous nationally known entertainers and groups including, Johnny Mathis, Ray Charles, Lou Rawls, Benny Goodman Tribute Band, Harry James Tribute Band and the Xavier Cugat Orchestra.



Jon Seiger (Trumpet, Piano, and Vocals). Jon is widely acclaimed as an outstanding trumpet player, jazz vocalist, and pianist, having completed his 9th appearance at the Alexandria Bay Ragtime-Jasstime Festival in May, 2015. Jon is a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music and is one of very few performing deaf musicians. He specializes in older styles of jazz and has performed with many jazz greats including Ella Fitzgerald, Roy Eldridge, Maynard Ferguson, Joe Williams, and Billy Eckstine. Jon's engaging personality and consummate musicianship continue to delight his many fans, thankful that he has survived his serious illnesses and surgeries of mid-2007.

REMINDER: MAIL DINNER RESERVATIONS 10-DAYS AHEAD, so they reach ANN SALISBURY by TUESDAY before FCJS Event.

BOARD of DIRECTORS Meeting, March 14th, 7pm, Kathie & Kent Campbell's house

FLOWER CITY JAZZ SOCIETY www.flowercityjazz.org Board of Directors (names with " * ")

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Flower City Jazz Society formed to preserve & promote Dixieland Jazz in Greater Rochester.
[ASCAP Licensee] Membership dues: \$15 per person for one year. Dinner-Concerts are third Monday, January through December, at the Radisson Hotel, 175 Jefferson Rd, Rochester, NY,



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THANKS TO RENEWING MEMBERS John & Ellen Beck; Raymond & Patricia Naber; Rod & Diane Ham; and Tom & Meg Upson.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS (see April Newsletter)

MEMBER PROFILE.

Rod and Diane Ham.



Rod and Diane have been members of FCJS for about fifteen years. Rod is a musician in his own right, and plays trombone in several different musical groups. They include his own group, Black Diamond Express; the Penfield Rotary Band; the Honeoye Falls Community Band; and the Michigan State Alumni Band. Diane is the town historian for Mendon, a position she has held for 36 years. Both from Michigan, Rod and Diane have been married for 53 years. They came to Rochester for Rod to work at Kodak, where he was a financial planner for 23 years. Diane worked at Xerox for 22 years as an administrative assistant. Residents of Mendon, Rod and Diane have two grown sons and two granddaughters. Rod was a member of the FCJS Board for five years. Diane taught genealogy for 20 years. (Written by Ron Anderson)

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DINNER RESERVATION FORM FOR Monday, March 21, 2016

MAIL TO: **ANN SALISBURY** 663 Stowell Dr. Apt 1, Rochester NY 14616-1828 (585) 225-2582

 Last Name First Name Telephone
 Spouse/Companion _____

<i>MENU for MONDAY, March 21st</i>	PRICE	# of MEALS	PRICE x #MEALS
Roasted Pork Tenderloin with Demi-Glace	\$21		
Chicken Breast Stuffed with Spinach, Roasted Red Peppers and Feta Cheese topped with a Mornay sauce	\$21		
Tri-Colored cheese tortellini in Vodka Blush Sauce	\$21		
Chocolate Cake with Raspberry Sauce	\$4		
Vanilla Ice Cream with Raspberry Sauce	\$3		

Total enclosed: \$ _____ (check payable to FLOWER CITY JAZZ SOCIETY)



COMMENTS FOR THE BOARD:

RATE LAST MONTH'S BAND:

O BELOW AVERAGE

O AVERAGE

O ABOVE AVERAGE

(Black Diamond Express)



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Milo Tomanovich, pianist, Bourbon Street Parade. Milo passed away Feb. 8th, 2016, following a brief illness; (D&C, Feb. 10th)

FLOWER CITY JAZZ 2016 Radisson Hotel (Airport) 175 Jefferson Rd (near RIT), Rochester, NY 14623 (585) 475-1910
Park in well-lighted area in back of Hotel; Enter thru Doors At Back Of Hotel to Ballroom Area.

Live Jazz Calendar (support live jazz)

Editors note: see special information
AlexandriaBayRagtimeJasstime Fest (below)

UPCOMING "FCJS" CONCERTS & OTHER VENUES

Radisson Hotel (Airport), 175 Jefferson Rd, Rochester, NY 14623 (585) 475-1910

March 2016 21st Monday (**FCJS**) Bourbon Street Parade, Radisson

April 2016 25th **Important: the FOURTH Monday (FCJS)** Fredtown Stompers, Radisson

May 2016 16th Monday (**FCJS**) Jon Seiger's International Jazz Band (international guests!!), Radisson

May 2016 Alexandria Bay Ragtime/Jasstime Festival May 27, 28, & 29, 2016 (Friday evening - Sunday noon)

The Bonnie Castle Resort, Alexandria Bay, NY See <https://alexbayjazz.wordpress.com/tickets-contacts/>

for Festival-Badges & Festival-Lodging+Meals-Package: Meals Friday night thru Sunday Noon & Accommodations Friday and Saturday nights. Package-Deal Reservations must be made directly with the Bonnie Castle.

Call: 1-800-955-4511 or 1-315-482-4511 Ask for "The Festival Package" \$425/double occupancy, \$320/single.

Admission is by Festival badges: \$120 US per person (\$135 after March 31, 2016). Badges MUST be purchased from TheGrandInternationalRagtimeJasstimeFoundation by sending a check to: Wayne and Nancy Pauli, 3-180 Highland Crescent, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada. N2M 5K4, 519-744-2665. Email wnpauli@rogers.com

Featured musicians: "Professor" Don Burns (Buffalo); Neville Dickie (United Kingdom); Jack Hutton (Canada); Jon Seiger (Rochester) & trio; The JazzHappensBand (Cortland); & The Mardi Gras Spirit Brass Band (Alexandria Central School). Also, Jon Seiger's Saturday Morning Seminar: "Songs & Stories About Louis Armstrong You May Not Know"

Rochester, NY 14625

127 Park Lane

