

# NVDJSNEWS

January 2025



## The Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society PRESENTS



### THE CELL BLOCK 7 JAZZ BAND

**Sunday, January 12**

**1:00 pm-4:00 pm**

**American Legion Hall, 1240 Pearl Street, Napa**

Corner of Pearl Street & Franklin Street, 2 blocks Southwest of Main Street, downtown Napa. Parking lot at the American Legion Hall, free parking on street, plus free public parking structure across from this Hall, on Pearl Street.

**Cell Block 7, with its two-cornet front line, has been ganged up since 1981, and devoted to West Coast Revival style of Lu Watters, Turk Murphy and the Bay City Jazz Band. Other known musical aliases of this talented bunch feature forays into great low brass harmony with a trio of double-bell euphoniums, spirited vocal renditions, blinding banjo solos, occasional “jazzed” up versions of show tunes, famous concert band marches and anything else that tickles their fancy.**

**While our “musical delinquents” continue to evade the authorities, we hope you’ll be captured by their unique brand of hot jazz, novelty numbers, and general disregard of acceptable behavior. Until they’re once again behind bars, keep your doors locked & your shades drawn.**

**The Inmates appearing on January 12 will be:**

- Bob Embry .....Clarinet, Sax , Vocals**
- Ken Brock.....Trumpet, Double Bell Euphonium**
- Brandon Marino....Trumpet, Double Bell Euphonium**
- Bob Williams.....Trombone, Double Bell Euphonium**
- Daryl Hosick .....Piano**
- Bill Dendle.....Banjo**
- Tom Downs.....Tuba**
- Bob Stover.....Drums**



## **Presidents' Message**

*Linda Stevens & Marilee Jensen, Co-Presidents*

Our age is catching up to all of those who've appreciated & loved traditional jazz, locally, in the San Francisco Bay Area & individual areas of the West Coast. But the feelings of dedication & excitement can still be experienced, at least privately, occasionally and in our minds.

We're all waiting to hear Cell Block 7, under the leadership of Bob Romans, on Sunday, January 12, 2025, 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the American Legion Hall, 1240 Pearl Street, Napa, CA., with all the dedicated wonderful musicians joining in as possible. There will be instruments, umbrellas, cakewalking, tip jar (for the contributions from the audience for the performing musicians) and all of those who can join us in great appreciation for this outstanding music. Maybe you can play an instrument, dance, bounce, walk, clap, sing, dance, or share this music in any way possible, with love, fun, dedication and eternal appreciation!

This will be our last session at this location, at least for the time being. Hope to see you soon, enthusiastically, at another similar session, with all the appreciation and love for what we've shared in various forms, over the last 100 years! As time goes by, plans emerge, and we can still reach you, we will let you know about our new plans in writing. Just at this very moment, several of us from San Rafael High (1956-1960) have been notified of a tentative get-together on July 24, 2025, noon, for our 65th High School Reunion at the redone San Rafael High! Wow!

Count on the reminders coming your way! How many more good reasons will we find to get together over the years... Celebrating... Dancing.... Singing... Friendships.... Family... Love .....Music... Sports... So many good reasons to keep having fun and celebrating, with mutual admiration and fondness.! Please feel free to send your responses and include your own personal ideas! **Thanks and Happy New Year, once again!**

NAPA VALLEY DIXIELAND JAZZ SOCIETY

## Jazz Club Information

### Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society Information

The Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society is a non-profit tax-exempt organization dedicated to the performance, promotion, preservation and perpetuation of Traditional, Dixieland, Ragtime and Swing Jazz, an integral part of Americana. Your membership and contributions are tax-deductible. As a member of and/or a contributor to the Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society, you are helping to preserve & broaden the sounds of Traditional Dixieland Jazz. Your cancelled check will be your receipt. Our Non-Profit Entity # is 1633975.

#### Officers

Co-Presidents - Linda Stevens & Marilee Jensen

Vice-President - Don Robertson

Treasurer - Marilee Jensen

NVDJS Newsletter Co-Editors - Marilee Jensen & Don Robertson

Secretary - Lee Campbell

NVDJS Membership & Circulation Manager - Don Robertson

Directors - Linda Stevens, Marilee Jensen, Lee Campbell, Jack Harford, Marion Mills, Charles E. Newman, Don Robertson, Joy Waite and Candy Woodward

### Bay Area Traditional Jazz Clubs Information

\*1st Sunday -TRAD JASS of Santa Rosa meets at Druids Hall, 1011 College Avenue, 1:00 to 5:00 pm, Members-\$12; Other Clubs - \$12; Public - \$15; **January 5, Flying Eagles Jazz Band, Feb 2, Creole Jazz Band**

\*2nd Sunday - Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society meets at the American Legion Hall, 1240 Pearl Street, Napa, CA, 1:00 to 4:00 pm. NVDJS Members and other jazz/dance clubs members, \$10; Public, \$15;; **Jan 12, Cell Block Seven. Bob Romans**

\*3rd Sunday New Orleans Jazz Club of Northern California, (NOJCNC) meets at the Elks Lodge, 3931 San Pablo Dam Road, El Sobrante, 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Members, \$8.00; Other Clubs, \$10.00; Public, \$12; **January 19; Zenith Jazz Band; Feb.16; Neely's Rhythm Aces**

\*4th Sunday South Bay Trad Jazz Society meets at the Elks Lodge, 375 N. Pastoria Ave., Sunnyvale. **1:00 to 5:00 pm, ; January 26, Bob Schulz Frisco Hot 4**

The Dixieland Jazz Club of Rossmoor Tahoe Room of the Rossmoor Event Center, 1021 Stanley Dollar Way, Walnut Creek, CA, 94595. Rossmoor is a gated community so tell the guard you are going to the Event Center for a Jazz Concert. The contact person is Rob Thomas, "[robthomas10@sbcglobal.net](mailto:robthomas10@sbcglobal.net)"; (510) 432-1624. Rossmoor residents, friends and family are all welcome. Bring your own libations and snacks. Cost is \$20 per person, cash, check or credit card.

## Special Events:

Fresno Mardi Gras Festival. Changed to third week-end, February 13- February 16, 2025, Sounds of Mardi Gras, 2025, Online Double Tree Reservations, by Hilton with a number of excellent bands.

Dance to live Music in 4 Dance Venues All Under One Roof, DoubleTree by Hilton, Eleven bands, plus more to be announced. FOR MORE INFO: [www.fresnodixie.com](http://www.fresnodixie.com) or Linda 209.534-1924",