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## Jelly Lords

*Morton  
himself would  
have tapped  
his foot to  
Shafer's trad  
veterans*



**Coming in  
August**

**Ted Shafer's Jelly Roll JB**  
1:30-5 p.m., Aug. 16, 2009  
**The Lodge in San Pablo**  
13233 San Pablo Ave.

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## **NOJCNC News**

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## **President's Message**

If their performing at the Cline Festival the day before had taken anything out of them, **Uptown Lowdown** didn't show it at our session the day after. They came out of the blocks with crispness and energy, and sustained that for the rest of their program. The Cline Festival may have had some effect on our attendance, however ... which was good, but not great, and certainly not commensurate with a band of this caliber.

Uptown Lowdown have taken the **Lu Watters-Turk Murphy** West-Coast template and honed it to perfection with their own style. The double reeds on the front line, complete with saxes in the soprano, alto and bass (two of them!) ranges give them a lot of versatility. But their quality starts with the clear, clean and energetic cornet lead of **Bert Barr** which creates the exciting sound that this band markets. Like Murphy before them they eschew the use of drums in their rhythm section. A good choice, drums might have muddied some of their front line work. As it was, the rhythm was kept perfectly with tuba, banjo, and **Rose Marie's** outstanding piano. Their repertoire is vast. They play hot numbers and sensitive numbers with feeling and precision. We particularly liked their rendition of Murphy's "Little Enough." All in all it was a great afternoon of jazz played by one of the finest exponents of the West Coast style.

Many thanks to our raffle donors: **Dave Forus, Richard Courtney, Loyce Besant, Evelyn Randolph, Judy & Andy Hagans, Bob Faulkner, and Dottie Lawless.** The raffle is an important component of our revenue. In an effort to increase participation, we are revamping the way we do it. Please see the item elsewhere in the newsletter.

And a complimentary thanks to our jammers who turned in two fine jam sets, including: **Jim Gammon**, trumpet; **Carol Dutcher, Pete Main**, reeds; **Paul Hilton**, trombone; **Rod Roberts**, piano; **Pat Campbell, Bruce Stangeland** and **Ted Shafer**, bano; **Mike Harryman**, tuba; **Shirley Campbell**, flute; and **Becky Kesweder**, guitar.

Once again we must mention the need for new Board members and volunteers to help with the running of our monthly sessions and preserving this music for future generations. We are still looking for help with such tasks as setting up the sound system, running the raffle and taking admission fees. We NEED your help if we are to have a successful operation in 2010. Please

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## **Featured Band: Ted Shafer's Jelly Roll JB**

The seven-piece version of the **Jelly Roll Jazz Band** (which performed at the Showcase in February) performs with more solos and improvised ensembles than the structured **King Oliver / Lu Watters** style of his two-cornet, nine-piece group. Also, expect a lot of pop songs with vocal duets from the 1920s, says Ted. The band's regular gig: Fridays, 7 – 10 pm, Champa Restaurant, 3550 San Pablo Dam Road in San Pablo.



### **The band**

**Earl Scheelar**, cornet  
**Pete Main**, clarinet  
**Glenn Calkins**, trombone  
**Tom Barnebey**, piano  
**Ted Shafer**, banjo/leader  
**Jim O'Briant**, tuba  
**Ken Keeler**, banjo



*Photos by Shiela  
Schloss and Hannah  
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## **Presidents' message (continued)**

contact **Pat Campbell**, Rich or **Dottie** if you are willing to help.

We are fixin' to start putting together our music program for 2010. **Paul Hilton** and **Tom Belmessieri** will be the Music Committee. If you have any suggestions, feedback or input, please contact Paul or Tom.

Next month we have the ever-popular **Ted Sha-**

**fer's Jelly Roll Jazz Band**. Ted played for us at Showcase, and we are delighted to have him back in a regular gig. This is an excellent band for both listening and dancing. Let's keep our momentum going with a good attendance.

Bring a friend!

**Rich Vose & Dottie Lawless**





## July Scrapbook

### *The Uptown Lowdown Jazz Band*



*Photos by Paul Hilton / NOJCNC*

## Club Briefs

### The Raffle

Revenue from the raffle is been an important component of our income. We have therefore decided to revamp how we run it with the objective of getting more membership involvement.

Evelyn Randolph has kindly agreed to be the first to run the new process. After the ticket sales have been completed, she will visit the tables and ask members to draw the winning tickets that then be put on the prizes, displayed on one of the side tables. Winning tickets can then be presented to Evelyn for collection of the corresponding prize.

We hope this will encourage more raffle ticket sales. Please give us your support!

Alcoholic Beverages  
at the Moose Lodge

All **NOJCNC** members: State licensing laws prohibit patrons bringing alcoholic beverages onto the Moose Lodge's premises. Violation of this law could cause the Lodge to lose its license, and we would certainly lose our tenancy with them.

There is always access to a full bar at the Moose Lodge, so **please do not bring your own beer, wine or liquor to monthly sessions** or you could be responsible for the club's eviction. If this is somehow unclear, please speak with a NOJCNC board member.

Send us your info

If you have announcements, comments or corrections for the **NOJCNC News**, don't hesitate to send a note with full details to the editor, **Paul Hilton**, at [spudhilton@gmail.com](mailto:spudhilton@gmail.com).

Bands that change their regular time or venue, or that begin playing at a new gig, should contact the editor to change the "In Search of Live Jazz" listing on Page 7. Our information, sometimes, is only as good as what club members tell us.



MEETS EVERY 4th SUNDAY

**SUNNYVALE ELKS LODGE #2128**

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Anyone who is willing to start receiving the NOJCNC newsletter by email should send an email to **Rich Vose** at [scour2@aol.com](mailto:scour2@aol.com). If you wish, we can send you a sample version before you commit.

### Membership

Reminder: The half-year option for membership is for new members only. All continuing members should plan to pay a full year's dues (as listed on Page 8 of each month's newsletter), regardless of when they renew. In general, it's easiest if all members renew in January, avoiding any interruption of their membership or the newsletter. If you have questions, call **Lynn Schloss** at (925) 938-0391.

## On the Airwaves

### Sunday

KCSM (91.1 FM): **Jim Cullum's Riverwalk** (6 pm); **Richard Hadlock's Annals of Jazz** (7 pm); **Mal Sharpe** (9 pm); **Ray Smith's Jazz Decades** (11 pm).

### Monday

KUSF (90.3 FM): **Dave Reffkin's Ragtime Machine** (9 pm).

### Friday

XM Satellite Radio, Ch. 70: **Dave Robinson's French Quarter** (6 pm).

# **In Search of Live Jazz**

## **San Francisco**

Tuesday Pier 23, Embarcadero near Filbert, 5 - 8 pm, 415-362-5125  
Rotating pianists: **Virginia Tichenor, Marty Eggers, Frederick Hodges.**

Saturday **Mal Sharp's Big Money in Jazz**, 3 - 6 pm, 415-362-7023  
Savoy Tivoli, 1434 Grant Ave.

## **Peninsula & South**

Tuesday **Silicon Gulch Jazz Band**, 7-10pm, 650-522-9800  
The Swingin Door, 106 E 25th Ave., San Mateo

Friday **Clint Baker's Cafe Borrone All Stars**, 8 - 11 pm, 650-344-1462  
Café Borrone, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park

## **East Bay & East**

1st & 3rd Tuesday **Jazzinators** (Youth Group), 7 - 8 pm, Jam set 8 - 9 pm  
510-656-9911 Pizza Depot, 43450 Grimmer Blvd, Fremont

2nd & 4th Tuesday **Chris Bradley's Traditional Jazz Band**, 7:30 - 9:30 pm  
Sunol Jazz Café, Main Street, Sunol, 925-862-2800

2nd & 4th Wednesday **Mission Gold**, 7 - 9 pm, Swiss Park Dance Hall,  
5911 Mowry Ave., Newark.

1st Thursday **And That's Jazz**, 7:30-10 pm, 510-522-1300  
Speisekammers Restaurant, 2424 Lincoln Avenue, Alameda

Fridays **Ted Shafer's Jelly Roll Jazz Band**, 7 - 10 pm, 510-222-1819  
Champa Restaurant, 3550 San Pablo Dam Rd, San Pablo

3rd Saturday **Devil Mountain Jazz Band**, 2 - 5 pm, 925-625-2707  
Danville Grange Hall, 743 Diablo Rd, Danville

3rd Sunday **Joyful Noise Jazz Band**, 5:30 - 7:30 pm,  
Champa Restaurant, 3550 San Pablo Dam Rd, San Pablo

Sept. 7 **Gateswingers Jazz Band**, 7:30 pm, 510-898-1836  
33 Revolutions Record Shop & Cafe, 10086 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito

## **North Bay & North**

Sundays **Big Money in Jazz**, 3 - 7 pm, (415) 332-1392  
No Name Bar, 757 Bridgeway, Sausalito

2nd Sunday **Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society**, 1 - 5 pm  
Napa Elks Lodge, 2840 Soscol Ave., Napa

2nd Wednesday **Marty Eggers & Virginia Tichenor**, 5:30 - 8 pm, 415-454-6422  
Belrose Theatre, 1415 5th Ave., San Rafael

2nd & 4th Wednesday **Marin Jazz Group**, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, 415-456-1011  
Mayflower Inn, 1533 4th St, San Rafael

Last Saturday **Gold Coast Jazz Band**, 1 - 4 pm, 707-938-9990  
Little Switzerland, 401 Grove St, Sonoma

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## **NOJCNC Membership**

<b>Member</b>	<b>All year</b>	<b>From July 1</b>
Musician	\$10	\$5
Individual	\$25	\$12.50
Couple	\$35	\$17.50
Contributing	\$100	\$50
Sustaining	\$125	\$62.50

(Note: All memberships expire Dec. 31)

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**Lynn Schloss, Membership**  
**1871 Stratton Circle,**  
**Walnut Creek, CA 94598-2272**

### **Benefits of membership:**

- \* All contributions are tax-deductible
- \* Free NOJCNC monthly newsletter
- \* Contributing members: Free admission for two to all regularly scheduled events
- \* Sustaining members: Free admission for four to regularly scheduled events

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**Sept. 20: Chris Bradley's Traditional Jazz Band**

**Oct. 18: Mission Gold**

**Nov. 15: Golden Gate Rhythm Machine**

(All events at the San Pablo Moose Lodge)

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