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Presidents' Message

What a way to end the year! With the always entertaining **Bob Schulz** and his **Frisco Jazz Band** (and ultra-special guest **Pat Yankee**) in November; and the **NOJCNC** debut of the phenomenal **Neely's Rhythm Aces** in December.

We offer our most sincere thanks to both bands and to Pat Yankee for making the holidays more festive than usual.



Yet another reminder that the **NOJCNC** is gathering in Danville for January, February and March at the Grange Hall, which is where we typically hold our summer joint meeting with the **Friends of Jazz** and the **Devil Mountain Jazz Band**.

Again, this is an experiment to gauge attendance in a different venue, so please let us know what you think: good, bad or indifferent. And because there are no vendors, bring your own snacks and beverages. And we greatly appreciated anyone who wants to show up a little early and help set up the room.



Not only do we have a great lineup of talented trad bands for 2013, but we were able to pull from that five of the best for the **Annual NOJCNC Showcase of Bands** in February. Please thank **Gold Coast JB**, **Port City JB**, **Mission Gold JB**, **Chris Bradley's Trad JB** and **Natural Gas JB**, both personally and with your attendance, for giving of their time and talent for the Showcase.

REMEMBER: The Showcase starts at NOON and there are no jam sets.



We were saddened to hear of the passing of singer, club member and longtime friend of trad jazz, **Joan Craig**. She had been singing regularly with **Ted Shafer's Jelly Roll Jazz Band** and occasionally with the **Joyful Noise Jazz Band**.

A music-filled memorial will be held at Champa Restaurant, 1-4 pm, Saturday, Feb. 23.



Our apologies for omitting the name of Ashley Radcliffe among the generous members who donated to the Ed and Dottie Lawless foundation.



If you haven't renewed your membership for 2013, bring your checkbooks to the Jan. 20 meeting and we'll be happy to sign you up. If you've already renewed, but have not received a 2013 membership card yet, please ask for one at the meeting.

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Happy New Year and may all your jazz be toe-tappin'.

Tom Belmessieri & Paul Hilton,
co-presidents, NOJCNC

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JANUARY: ELITE JAZZ BAND

This will be the **NOJCNC** debut for the **Elite Jazz Band**, although almost all the members are familiar fixtures in the club or in other featured bands. **Elite JB** has been playing around the Bay Area for a few years now, and along with New Orleans traditional jazz, the group also plays country, bluegrass and original songs.

Band members:

Jack Convery, banjo-vocals
Steve Hanson, bass
Kit Nelson, vocals
Gary Neuman, keyboard
Bob Scott, drums
John Stafford, reeds
Jeff Walton, trombone

Online:

www.elitejazzband.com



SHOWCASE OF BANDS

Noon GOLD COAST JB

The **Annual Showcase of Bands on Feb. 17** is your best chance to sample the groups that will feature at meetings during the rest of 2013. It is also the club's big fundraising event that helps us bring you great bands rest of the year.

Remember, the Showcase will be at **Danville Grange Hall** and will start at 12 noon instead of 1 pm. Also, there are no vendors, so bring your own snacks and beverages.

1:00 pm

PORT CITY JB

Named for the inland port of Stockton, this band has been playing for more than 30 years, including many appearances as a featured band for **NOJCNC** meetings and Showcases.

Band members:

Bill Reinhart, bass & tuba;
Tom Schmidt, reeds; **Ev Farey**, trumpet; **Steve Drivon**, trombone; **Stuart Zank**, banjo;
Ray Skjelbred, piano; **Clint Baker**, drums.

2:00 pm

MISSION GOLD

This 8-piece, 2-cornet band was formed in 1980 and has a long tradition of performing the music of Jelly Roll Morton, King Oliver, Lu Watters and Turk Murphy. The band plays standards and more common swing genre tunes.

Band members:

John Soulis, tbn; **Andy Parker**, drums; **Bob Sterling**, tuba; **Earl Scheelar**, clarinet; **Roz Temple**, piano; **Jack Wiecks**, banjo; **Rick Holzgrafe**, cornet; **Dick Williams**, cornet.

3:00 pm

CHRIS BRADLEY'S Traditional JB

These well-seasoned local musicians have been performing a mix of trad jazz and music of the pre-fifties era that is ideal for both listening and dancing.

Band members:

Robert Boring, trombone; **Chris Bradley**, cornet; **Steve Doherty**, bass; **Bob Steffen**, banjo; **Rich Owens**, piano; **Ken Pimentel**, drums; **Stuart Yasaki**, reeds.

4:00 pm

NATURAL GAS

This popular Marin County band has been playing blues, stomps, rags, marches and spirituals for more than 40 years and is a solid fixture in San Francisco traditional jazz history.

Band members:

Jim Brennan, tuba; **Bob Murphy**, soprano sax; **Warren Perry**, drums; **Phil Crumley**, cornet; **Carl Lunsford**, banjo; **Rich Owens**, piano; **Bill Carson**, trombone.