



FDS: Newsletter

Fresno Dixieland Society

May 2018

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: by *Linda*

The year is flying by and we are now preparing a new adventure. Our FDS monthly dance venue has changed. For those of you who have not heard, we will now be having our monthly dances at the American Legion Post 509: **3509 North First St, Fresno, CA 93726.** Our **FIRST** dance at our **NEW LOCATION** will be on **June 10th** from 1-5pm with our own "Blue Street Jazz Band". There will be a dance lesson starting at **12:30** just before the band starts. Our dance teacher will once again be **Chris Pluhar** from Fresno Swing Dance. Come support us at our new venue. We will have a bar set up in the LARGE room for this dance. All other dances will be in the smaller room in the back. There is plenty of parking for all. I understand that it is difficult changing the venues, but we are happy to announce that the 509 Club is welcoming us for our dances. Please remind everyone that the venue has changed.

We are also busy planning next year's 35th Sounds of Mardi Gras 2019 Festival. Most of the bands have been hired for the festival. We still have a lot of work to do and once we have all the bands we will start the schedule. The DoubleTree's room rate did go up by \$2 dollars (this is wonderful news because the original rate was an increase of \$15.00 per night). Thank you to the Double-Tree for keeping the cost down for our patrons.

We are still looking for help with both our Fresno Dixieland Society and our Sounds of Mardi Gras Festival. If you know anyone that is interested, please have them email us. Contact information can be found at our website. www.fresnodixie.com

Ernest Loring "Red" Nichols

(May 8, 1905 – June 28, 1965)

"Red" Nichols was an American [jazz cornettist](#), composer, and jazz bandleader.

Over his long career, Nichols recorded in a wide variety of musical styles, and critic Steve Leggett describes him as "an expert cornet player, a solid improviser, and apparently a workaholic, since he is rumored to have appeared on over 4,000 recordings during the 1920s alone."



"RED" NICHOLS

"Red" continued: Nichols was born on May 8, 1905 in [Ogden, Utah](#). His father was a college music professor, and Nichols was a child prodigy. By age twelve he was already playing difficult set pieces for his father's brass band. Young Nichols heard the early recordings of the [Original Dixieland Jazz Band](#), and later those of [Bix Beiderbecke](#), and these had a strong influence on the young cornet player. His style became polished, clean and incisive.

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"Laissez le bon temps rouler...Let the good times roll"

Seaside Jazz Festival 2018 by Barbara Cardoza

I attended the jazz festival in Seaside, Oregon with my good friend, Gayle LoBello; it was quite an adventure! We arrived at Portland Airport and proceeded to the rental car company for our reserved medium sized car. We soon became aware that it was snowing on the pass, so for our own safety we opted for an all wheel drive vehicle. Unfortunately, we didn't ask how much the upgrade was going to cost. Big mistake, ha ha! The drive was beautiful with blue skies, snow covered mountains and glistening trees. We took a short side trip to Astoria, a quaint little town with lots of boutiques and a wonderful seafood restaurant called the Silver Salmon. We arrived at Seaside safe and sound (thanks to my dear friend for doing all of the driving). We stayed at the Best Western Oceanview Seaside which was also one of the dance venues, it was perfect. We enjoyed Blue Street, Grand Dominion and Stephanie & Paolo (a talented husband & wife team that are fabulous duo piano players) extremely impressive! We had an exceptional party with Gino and the Lone Gunmen one evening. It ended up being only about ten of us with a few locals and sponsors, we were making song requests and really got wild with Mustang Sally and some classic Elvis tunes. We enjoyed the Elks Club rather than the convention center which was just too big. We managed to get in a little sightseeing at the Louis & Clark Museum. I think our docent must have been bored because he followed us around continually talking; I wasn't sure if he thought we might steal something or just wanted to impress us with his knowledge. We took a walk on the beach but it was so cold that the frozen sand crunched under our feet. All in all, it was a fun time and I even had the bonus of stopping for a visit with my grandson who attends University in Portland. We stayed our last night in downtown Portland before flying home the next day.

Membership

Thank you to all new members that have joined in the last year. We look forward to continue to increase our membership in the coming year. Our dances have not only been well attended, but, also great fun. The music and dancing have been great. Chris Pluhar of Fresno Swing Dance has taught several East Coast Swing dance lessons. These have been very much enjoyed by all. Chris will continue to teach at each dance starting at 12:30 pm. Refer your friends and encourage friends and family to join. Come one, come all....join our wonderful society. Bring your friends. The more the merrier is definitely true of our Fresno Dixieland Society. Come Join The Fun!

Fresno Dixieland Society MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE: _____

NEW RENEWAL ADDRESS CHANGE

NAME: _____

eMail: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: _____

MEMBERSHIP: \$30/per person Due by Jan 31st.
INCLUDES Digital Newsletter.

SUNDAY DANCES: \$10/member with membership card. \$15/non-member

I would like to volunteer for the Society and/or Mardi Gras Festival

mail check or money order:

Fresno Dixieland Society . PO Box 16399 . Fresno, CA 93755

FDS Sponsored Jazz Camp Students 2018



Jessica Velazquez

My name is Jessica Velazquez and I am junior at Fremont Christian School. I have been in choir for four years. I started taking piano lessons when I was 5 and continued to take them for nine years, I took guitar for two years. I enjoy both instruments immensely and this past year I was fortunate enough to start taking lessons for and playing bass. I love playing bass in Dixie Dominus and am excited for the opportunity to improve through Jazz Camp.



Joel Maresh

My name is Joel Manesh and I have been playing trumpet for five years. I am a freshman attending Fremont Christian School. This past year I have also started playing traditional jazz in my school's jazz band. I have gotten really interested in playing jazz music and it has shown me so many new possibilities in music.

Over the past year, I have learned to love playing jazz music because it has shown me how you can make music your own by improvising in so many different ways and how you can express yourself through music. I also love performing before other people and being able to leave behind an impression on them with your music and being able to say something with your music.

Overall, playing jazz music has really changed my perspective on music and it has shown me how music can express different feelings and when you are performing, others can see those feelings that you are bringing through jazz.

Sounds of Mardi Gras 2018



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Sunday Dances 2018

Fresno Dixieland Society Sunday Dance

With

Blue Street JB

"Flag Day"

June 10, 2018

1-5 pm

American Legion Hall 509

3509 North First Street

Fresno, CA

FDS Member: \$10 Non-Member: \$15

Dance Lesson 12:30 by Chris Pluhar

Call for more info:

John 559.779.2484

www.fresnodixie.com

FDS Sunday Dances Moving to American Legion Post 509 Hall

The Fresno Dixieland Society has been forced to move their Sunday dances to a new location. After much searching, we have found a wonderful site.

We are moving to the **American Legion Hall 509**, West Room. The "509" provides us with a bar that charges a reasonable price for drinks. There is ample parking in a safe fenced in area. The "509" is located two blocks north of Shields on the West side of 1st Street. It has great access from both the North and South off of Highway 41. The room is about the same size as the Elks lodge. Many of our members and guests have been to the "509" and find it very comfortable for listening and dancing to music. The Fresno Dixieland Society will also continue to provide snacks.

Our dances will be held bimonthly starting **June 10th**. **Blue Street** will be our band on the 10th of June, with music starting at **1 P.M.** The theme will be **"Flag Day"** The next dances will be held on **August 12th, October 14th, and December 9th**. We will have **John Pemberton** perform for our **"Hot August Nights"** dance on **August 12th**. He will provide some Jazz numbers along with some of his old favorites. In **October**, we will have **Cell Block 7** back for our Halloween dance, and we are bringing the **Star Dusters** back for Our **December /Christmas** dance. **DANCE LESSONS WILL AGAIN BE PROVIDED BY CHRIS PLUHAR OF "FRESNO SWING DANCE" BEFORE START OF BAND AT 12:30 PM.**

The price will be \$10 for current paid members and \$15 for non members. Everyone is welcome. 2018 Memberships are now being accepted, so please make sure you have paid your \$30 for the year. Membership forms can be found in this newsletter. We are looking forward to seeing you on **June 10th** at the American Legion Hall 509.

Fresno Dixieland Society Summer Dance

With

John Pemberton

Hot August Nights

August 12, 2018

1-5 pm

American Legion Hall 509

3509 North First Street

Fresno, CA

FDS Member: \$10 Non-Member: \$15

Dance Lesson 12:30 by Chris Pluhar

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Fresno Dixieland Society Halloween Costume Ball

With

Cell Block 7 JB

Costume Ball

October 14, 2018

1-5 pm

American Legion Hall 509

3509 North First Street

Fresno, CA

FDS Member: \$10 Non-Member: \$15

Dance Lesson 12:30 by Chris Pluhar

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Fresno Dixieland Society Christmas Ball

With

STARDUSTERS

December 9, 2018

1-5 pm

American Legion Hall 509

3509 North First Street

Fresno, CA

FDS Member: \$10 Non-Member: \$15

Dance Lesson 12:30 by Chris Pluhar

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THE SOUNDS OF *Mardi*GRAS



Invited Bands & Guest Artists

High Sierra Jazz Band
Bob Schulz' Frisco Jazz Band / Climax
Grand Dominion / Yosemite Jazz Band
Tom Rigney & Flambeau
Jazz Sea Jammer
Gino and the Lone Gunmen
Tom Hook and the Terriers
Young Bucs / Youth Bands

Bands and artists subject to change without notice.

Special Events

Thursday Night: Pre-Party
Friday: Roving 20's /
Coronation /
Swing Dance Party
Saturday: Parasol Parade /
Masquerade - Costume
Parade
Mardi Gras Dance Party
Sunday: Wind Down Dinner and
Dance

For More Information

and volunteer opportunities please call (209) 684-1924 or
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2019 Special Events

THE SOUNDS OF MardiGRAS



Thursday Night Pre-Party: Come early and enjoy the pre-party.

Putting on the Ritz Parade Theme - Roaring 20's: In 2018 we bring you a chance to have more fun than you can imagine.

Parasol Parade: Always a fun parade with over 100 parasols on parade.

Masquerade / Costume Parade: Each year, the Sounds of Mardi Gras brings out the best in fun with the Masquerade & Costume Parade.

Special Dance Events: 2019 is the Friday Swing Dance and Saturday Mardi Gras Party Dance.

Coronation: What is Mardi Gras without Royalty, Sounds of Mardi Gras keeps a New Orleans Tradition alive by crowning a King and Queen at each festival.

Wind Down Dinner - Sunday: In 2019 Dinner will again be held at the Doubletree by Hilton. A special raffle, only for dinner attendees, is planned. Dinner includes free entry to the Wind Down Sunday Dance. Only 100 tickets. **Get your tickets early.** Entry to the Wind Down Dance is included with your purchase of a Wind Down Dinner Ticket. Wind Down Dance **only** tickets will also be sold.

Mardi Gras Boutique: Support the Sounds of Mardi Gras by visiting the Mardi Gras Boutique.

Raffle by Linda: You can help support our festival and youth bands by buying a ticket for a chance to win our best prize ever. Details at www.fresnodixie.com.

Butterflies: Wearing a butterfly in your hair or lapel, means you are ready to dance.

Sponsorships

Festival Sponsor, \$2,500: includes Hotel Room for Weekend, Four 3-Day Badges, Four Thursday Pre-Party, and Four Wind-Down Dinner & Dance Tickets, Program and Venue Listing, Admission and Reserved VIP Seating, Admission to the Meet & Greet Brunch.

Corporate Sponsor, \$1,000: includes Four Thursday Pre-Party, Four 3-Day Badges and Full Page Ad in Program, Admission to the Meet & Greet Brunch, Reserved VIP Seating.

Gold Contributor, \$700: includes Two 3-Day Badges plus Two Thursday Pre-Party, Two Wind-Down Dinner & Dance Tickets, Program Listing and Reserved VIP Seating, Admission to the Meet & Greet Brunch.

Band/Musician Sponsor, \$600: includes Two 3-Day Badges, 2 Thursday Pre-Party, Program and Venue Listing, Reserved VIP Seating and Admission to the Meet & Greet Brunch. When you send in your badge order, please name which of the invited bands or musicians you wish to sponsor.

Purple Contributor, \$400: includes Two 3-Day Badges, Two Thursday Pre-Party, Reserved VIP Seating and Program Listing

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_____ \$30	Friends of Fresno Button (Donation)
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Quantity	Special Events
_____ \$20	Thursday Pre-Party
_____ \$50	Sunday Wind-Down Dinner (Includes Dance Ticket)
_____ \$25	Sunday Wind-Down Dance Only

Quantity	Sponsorships
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_____ \$1,000	Corporate Sponsor
_____ \$700	Gold Contributor
_____ \$600	Band or Individual Sponsor
_____ \$400	Purple Contributor
_____ \$200	Green Contributor

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

All Pre-ordered Badges will be held at will-call.
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name of band or musician



Yosemite Jazz Band: 22 Years at Oakhurst Pizza Factory

To all my friends and WM's,

Can you believe 22 years ago we started out on the patio of the Oakhurst Pizza Factory just a place to practice our kind of music (OKOM). Then, over the years you guys started coming and coming and coming. It's been our pleasure and a blessing to perform all these years for you all. I think I must have only been 18 when we started (that's a joke for the slow ones). Once again, we started playing on May 3rd and every **Thursday**, thru the summer, **6:30-8:30 pm** on the patio at the **Oakhurst Pizza Factory located at 40120 CA-41 in Oakhurst. Pizza Factory Phone: 559-683-2700.**

I will tell you the band is so anxious to get started, this will be the best year ever. This e-mail went out to approximsyrly 80 people, I didn't want to share e-mails. Bring your dancing shoes -crazy hats —or crazy friends — come early—bring a big hug. **Berl 559-642-2221**

Seaside Jazz Festival: Looking to Return in 2020

Email received from Seaside Jazz Festival : Just a note to let you know that the decision was made yesterday to put the Seaside Jazz Festival on hiatus. We will be looking at different dates for 2020 - maybe so that we don't have to put up with Pacific Basketball League and winter weather. The Convention Center is looking to see what is available in 2020. Thank you for all your years of support. **Festival Organizers.**

“Red” Nichols continued from page 1

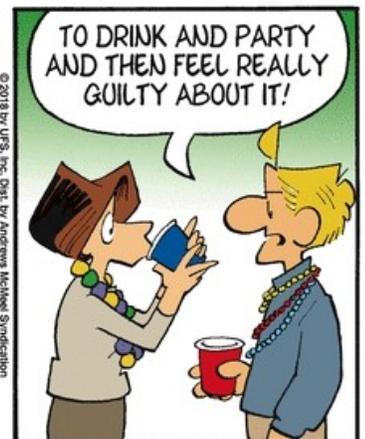
In the early 1920s, Nichols moved to the Midwest and joined a band called The Syncopating Seven. When that band broke up he joined the Johnny Johnson Orchestra and went with it to New York City in 1923. New York would remain his base for years thereafter.

Nichols recorded over 100 sides for the Brunswick label under that band name. He also recorded under a number of other names, among them, The Arkansas Travelers, The California Red Heads, The Louisiana Rhythm Kings, [The Charleston Chasers](#), Red and Miff's Stompers, and Miff Mole and His Little Molers. During some weeks in this period, Nichols and his bands were recording 10 to 12 records.

"Lexophile"

Describes those that have a love for words, such as: you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish / To write with a broken pencil is pointless / No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery / If you don't pay your exorcist you can get repossessed / I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down / I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me / When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble / When chemists die, they barium / I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, and then it dawned on me / I changed my iPod's name to Titanic. It's syncing now

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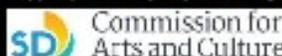
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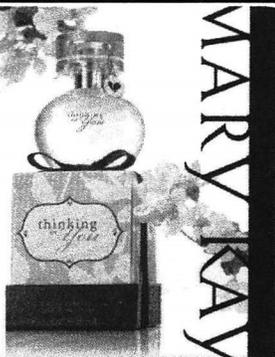
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Feb 7 - 10, 2019

Fresno, CA

Special Events:

Pre-Party. Parasol Parade.

Costume & Masquerade Parade.

Coronation. Swing Dance Party.

Mardi Gras Dance Party

More TBA



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