

A Monthly Publication of the Fresno Dixieland Society

FEBRUARY 9-12 THE SOUNDS OF MARDI GRAS IN FRESNO
 CELEBRATING 33 YEARS OF GREAT MUSIC AND FUN!
 DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON located on 2233 Ventura Street in Fresno, CA

"Laissez les bons temps rouler!" is a Cajun expression meaning "Let the good times roll!" This phrase is heard often in New Orleans during Carnival Season. Carnival begins on January 6 (Epiphany), the official end of the Christmas season and kicks off Carnival season in New Orleans. Although some people say Carnival and **Mardi Gras** interchangeably, they are actually different things. Carnival is a time to eat, drink and be merry before the rigorous fasting and sacrifice during Lent. Carnival is filled with parades, balls and other celebrations leading up to **Mardi Gras**, which is French for "Fat Tuesday." **Mardi Gras Day** is the day before Ash Wednesday, signifying the end of the Carnival season and the start of Lent. Many cities (especially those with large Catholic populations) like New Orleans are famous for their **Mardi Gras**. FRESNO is one of those cities. The Fresno Dixieland Society is presenting 4 Days of celebration (Sounds of Mardi Gras) featuring great music and fun. Beside the tons of music ranging from New Orleans Jazz to Swing to Zydeco to Rock and Roll, there will be a Parasol Parade, the Coronation of Mardi Gras King and Queen, a Masquerade Party and Costume Parade, as well as a SWING dance. The Putting on the Ritz Parade will celebrate the famous dance—THE CHARLESTON. Don't miss the special tribute to High Sierra Jazz Band's bass man and vocalist—Earl McKee. This will be held on Friday in the Vendor Room from 4-5 PM. So much great music and fun activities, it should make for a happy and enjoyable weekend. Don't miss it. If you haven't ordered your tickets, the time is now. You can get them online at www.fresnodixie.com or call (559) 292-3999. Entry is always free for 18 and under accompanied by paying adult.

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 DIXIE DOMINUS and YOSEMITE HS JAZZ BAND**

NEED MORE INFO: Check the website at www.fresnodixie.com. Call Linda at (209) 534-1924.

SPECIAL MARDI GRAS EVENTS

Thursday

Pre-Dance

Friday

Putting on the Ritz Parade Theme: CHARLESTON

Coronation

Swing Dance

Saturday

Parasol Parade

Masquerade Party and Costume Parade

Sunday

Wind Down Dinner and Dance at THE REPUBLICAN

FRESNO'S "SOUNDS OF MARDI GRAS" FESTIVAL

M This is our 33rd year and this year will be even bigger and
E better. We have 20 bands to play for you.
S February 9-10-11-12, 2017 so many fun things to
S participate in. Check our website www.fresnodixie.com for
A all information.

E We are still looking for volunteers:

F If anyone is interested in helping, please go to
R Our website. www.fresnodixie.com and fill out the volun-
O teer forms. Remember, 4 hours on Friday will give you a
M Friday Day pass, 4 hours on Saturday will give you a Satur-
L day Day pass, only 2 hours on Sunday will give you a Sun-
I day Day pass. We can put 2 people on at the same time.
N Come dressed in Mardi Gras Style and Stand / Sit by
D avenue and check badges and still listen to the music.
A OR, help in the band room and get to visit the band
 member. We are currently looking for 20 more volunteers.

J. DONATIONS FOR THE BAND HOSPITALITY ROOM

S We are asking anyone that would like to donate "snacks"
H to the band room. These band members are hungry all the
I time. We would LOVE to have fruit (oranges / apples / ba-
P nanas) for them to munch on. Also, any bags of chips /
P nuts / dried fruits would be helpful. Of course, for the
 chocolate lovers / bags of chocolates. Store bought
 muffins / cookies / rolls, jugs of breakfast juices.

ANYTHING YOU DONATE will be much appreciated, not
 only by the musicians, but by Fresno Dixieland
 Society. We are trying to cut cost anyway that we can.
 Thank you for your continued support.

We are looking for anyone who has something to place in
 our newsletter. Anyone that has A good story, please
 email it to us at www.fresnodixie.com

Pat Grimm is currently in a nursing home. She suffered a
 bout of Bronchitis that kept getting worse.
 Back to the hospital she went and her diagnosis was pneu-
 monia. If you would like to send her a get well card,
 please send to : Pat Grimm in care of West Gate
 Convalescent Hospital, 1700 Howard Rd. Madera 93637

Sounding Board

The board met for our January meeting and we are look-
 ing at other venues to have our monthly dances. John is
 currently negotiating with the Elks Lodge (Blackstone and
 Barstow) Hopefully, this will work out. We may be able
 to have more than 4 dances per year. Stay tuned.
 Money is such a big factor in keeping the dances alive with
 our Traditional Dixie Music.

If anyone would like to donate to the cause, remember
 that any money donated is a tax right off as we are a 501
 C3 non-profit organization.*Continue*

THE CENTRAL CALIFORNIA BIG BAND DANCE SOCIETY DANCE LINE UP

Jan. 31, The Stardusters
 Mar. 6, Joe Lenigan Band
 April 3, The Hal Magnie Band
 May 1, The Stardusters
 June 5, Joe Lenigan Band
 July 3, The Hal Magnie Band

Aug. 7, The Stardusters
 Sept. 4, Joe Lenigan Band
 Oct. 2, The Hal Magnie Band
 Nov. 6, The Stardusters
Dec. 4, Joe Lenigan Band
Dec. 30, The Hal Magnie Band

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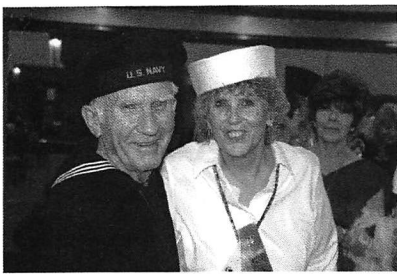
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 bers and give them your email. We will be going
 to email monthly newsletter to cut cost this year.
 Anyone still wanting a snail mail copy, please let a
 board member know.

Let's make this the best festival yet.
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 Let's not let that happen to us.

"Let the good times roll"





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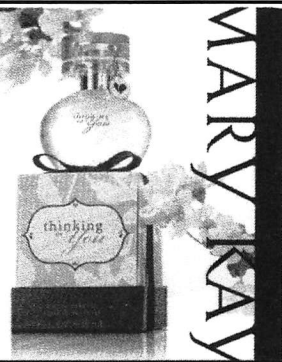
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(EVENING)

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