

Where knowledge and fun meet

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Massachusetts Accordion Association

www.MAaccordion.com

**Birds are singing and
accordions are playing**

First and foremost before I start, I wish all mothers a wonderful and blessed Mother's Day. I wish you and your families all the happiness and health possible.

Our April meeting was really great with our "open mic" performers and the incredible performance and workshop of the lovely Rita Davidson.



Our upcoming May meeting is charged with a great selection by Dan for our play-along session. Music was e-mailed to our members back on May 7th....if you missed it, just reply to this e-mail and I will re-send it to you....Also with our May meeting we will have 3 mini-workshops by our members Dave Magliozzi, James Gerke and David Rukhelman.



And to close our May session will be a featured performance by our members Paul Monte and Tal Shalom-Kobi. Although Tal has joined our

club as a beginning accordion player, Tal will be accompanying Paul with the 4 string bass. We were lucky to have had Paul and Tal perform for us before at last year's May meeting and they were absolutely terrific....hopefully this will become an annual event.

My thanks to our board of directors and all their work in planning for this year and their running of our successful meetings. They will have an announcement at our May meeting for all members, thanks to our honorary board member Tony Marini.

Finally, throughout our May meeting we will be having the silent auction of all my books and DVD's of accordion. All bids are accepted with the minimum of \$1.00, no cents please. All proceeds for the future efforts of the MAAA. Hopefully, you will find some music or instructional DVD that were too cost prohibitive to own previously.

Thanks to all of you for being great members of our MAAA.....Bob

MAAA members can access the Yahoo Group for the MAAA

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It covers many great topics, photos and videos...the most recent is a topic by Dave Magliozzi, you'll want to check it out.....

Over the Rainbow.. Tony Marini gave me the topic -- making a song your own Penny gave me the song -- Over the RainBow in the key of C Notes are filed in the Files section in a Post - Sun May 13, 2012 12:31 am

Monthly meetings are the 4th Sunday of every month.....

1:30—4:00 pm

Ciociaro Social Club
144 Bridge St
Newton



Mark your calendars for another great year!!!!

May 20th
June 24th
July 22nd
August 26th
September 23rd
October 28th
November 18th
December 16th

**Come and enjoy
the fun!!!!**

No experience is necessary, just a love for the instrument, either playing or listening, or both.

All instrument types, playing styles, and skill levels are welcomed.

The opportunities to perform on a sign up basis

Open forum accordion discussions are chaired to encourage MAAA member participation, involvement and resource sharing

Our April open "mic" performers.....



Fred Brewer



Lewis Howes



Jim Avedisian



Arthur Richard



Dave Magliozzi



Lou and Jan Borelli



Jerry Tramontozzi

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I hope you didn't miss World Accordion Day.....



World Accordion Day was this past May 6th.....

Share with us some things you did to celebrate, what I think is the greatest instrument in the world.....

I did pick up an accordion, in spite of my maladies and played some songs I hadn't played in awhile.

If you are ever asked "How can I become a member?"

When anyone wants to join the MAAA, all they need to do is go to our web-site, click on prompt that says "About the MAAA", and then click on membership form, print it, fill it out and mail with your membership dues.

It's that Easy.....

Here are 8 reasons why you want to bring your accordion to EVERY meeting....

1. You haven't played at the club in a long time
2. You are scared to death to play in front of people but now's the time to get over it
3. You need a reason to start practicing again
4. You have been hiding your superstar status for much too long
5. You bought a new accordion you want to show off
6. You are tired of the same people playing all the time
7. You are a closet accordionist and it's time to come out
8. You are long overdue for some real fun

Our heartfelt thanks to **Rita Davidson** for taking the time to visit, entertain and educate our club.

Rita is the editor who generates the Accordion USA internet newsletter at

<http://www.accordionusa.com/default.aspx>

It is a great source for all things accordion.



Our very own Jan and Lou Borelli.... Our very own Jan and Lou Borelli....

June 9, 2012

BALLROOM AND SCANDINAVIAN DANCING to "Mixed Grille" at a Dinner Dance at Sovitajaa (Finn Park), Finn Park Road at Demon Pond, Rutland, MA 01543. Dinner is at 6 PM. Dancing is 7:30 - 11:30 PM. Call Bob for tickets 508-842-8468.



July 8, 2012

Lou Borelli Octet will play at the Jazz on the Patio Summer Series at the Castle Restaurant, 1230 Main Street, Leicester, MA, 3 - 7 PM. NO COVER. The patio is lovely, overlooking the lake. If the weather is inclement, we will play in the dining room. The food at the Castle is outstanding. Our CD "Lou Borelli Octet Live at Nick's" will be on sale (\$10). Please join us for some summer jazz fun.

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WWW.MAaccordion.com

4th Sunday of every month
Check the newsletter or website for locations

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(508) 529-6163

E-mail: use our website for direct contact

▶ Your music club where fellow accordionists meet for an afternoon of music and discussions.



All information on accordion.....check out:

The Accordion Billboard....

an older site with lots of info.....

<http://accordionbillboard.com/index.html>

Local Resources for New and Pre-Owned Accordions

- [Accordion Connection](#) (Gilmanton, NH)
- [Luca Music](#) (North Providence, RI)
- [Monte School of Music](#) (Wellesley Hills, MA)
- [The Button Box](#) (Sunderland, MA)



Accordion Teachers throughout New England

- [Janet Borelli](#) - 508-752-6213 (Paxton, MA)
- [Donna LaRue](#)—781-646-3013 (Arlington, MA)
- [Paul Monte](#)—781-237-0554 (Wellesley Hills, MA)
- [Joe Maciejowski](#) —508-529-6065 (Upton, MA)
- [Bill LaPollai](#) —401-245-5209 (Barrington, R.I.)
- [Roberto Cassan](#) —617-413-8199 (Roslindale, MA)
- [Emilian Badea](#) —508-653-8441 (Natick, MA)
- [Inessa Gilmore](#) —inessagilmore@yahoo.com
- [A.T.A.M.](#)—Accordion Teachers of Massachusetts
- [CCE Boston Music School](#) Irish B/C Button Box classes at Boston College & Harvard University



Additional resources for Accordion Music & Lesson Books

- [Accordion Connection](#) (Gilmanton, NH)
- [Mel Bay Publications](#) (Web)
- [The Button Box](#) (Sunderland, MA)

We're on the web:
MAAaccordion.com

Other New England based Accordion Clubs

- **Connecticut** (Cheshire/Plantsville, CT) <http://www.ctaccordion.com>
- **New Hampshire Accordion Assoc** (Gilmanton, NH) 1-800-328-5227
- **Central Mass Accordion Club** (Rutland, MA) 1-508-885-2083



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Sheraton City Center Baltimore, MD

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Guest Artist and Conductor of the 2012 AAA Festival Orchestra **STAS VENGLEVSKI**

The Sheraton City Center is surrounded by shops, restaurants and in walking distance of the famous Baltimore Inner Harbor, National Aquarium, Maryland Science Center and numerous other attractions

Participation in the AAA Festival Orchestra is open to registered participants only
Details about performers, workshops and other Festival events will be online soon. Save the date!



We invite all our members and friends to join in the fun!!!

Remember, our meetings are scheduled on the 4th Sunday of each month.

Special dates around national holidays....

Reminder– NEXT MAAA MEETING: May 20th