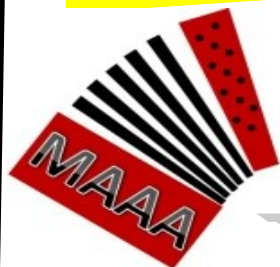


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The Leaves of Fall and the accordion

Ah, yes the changing season brings changing leaves and beautiful foliage scenes: memories of touch football, school yard antics with friends, canoe rides, mountain hikes or just a long car ride with someone you love and nowhere in mind to go....

Sometimes that's the way accordion playing is....nowhere to go, but just a laid back enjoyment of hearing whatever music you enjoy playing....

This upcoming October meeting is our annual meeting. It is intended to give our membership a review of what this past year gave us and a really quick glimpse at the upcoming 12 months. Our treasurer, Patty will present an overview of our club's finances. Jim Avedisian has next year's calendar already set and you should visit our website and see the great accomplishment in Jim's creation. A definite benefit for us.

Our October meeting will begin with the play-along session, followed by the quick review of where we've been and where we're heading, with any additional club news that needs to be mentioned. Then, our

featured performer, Alex Chudolij, the prize-winning accordionist and composer will entertain us and hopefully lend us some tips in a technical session. If you would like to know more on Alex, check out the link:

www.accordionsusa.com/new_page_1.htm

My sincere thanks to Penny Yunuba and her press release on Alex's visit. I guarantee you will not be disappointed.

My thanks to all our members who renewed and the many new members who have joined us.

Keep in mind we are planning an outreach community performance in the coming month. If you are interested, please e-mail your interest to Tony Marini who is coordinating this for us. Note the e-mail addresses on page 2 of the news letter.

Also, our annual holiday party at our January 2013 meeting. Please keep looking at our website for additional details when winter is upon us. This is truly one of the most enjoyable events we have, so you won't want to miss it.....Bob

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!!!!

November 18th

December 16th

Holiday Party!!!!

January 27th

February 24th

March 24th

If you haven't been to our new website, take a look and contact our webmaster Jim Avedisian for any add'l info.

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new members! To join, click the ABOUT THE MAAA

If you enjoy accordions and accordion music, the Massachusetts Accordion Association will make you smile!

Message #1
Next MAAA meeting is Sunday, October 28, 2012
Playalong, Theme: Oktoberfest, followed by a performance by Alex Chudolij of Music Magic USA
Meeting starts at 1:30 p.m. at

The MAAA is a group of accordion enthusiasts. It includes players of all skill levels and of various accordion types — as well as interested non-players.

MAAA Programs and Activities

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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 September Play-along session.....



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Found this pretty interesting...In my search for articles, I entered accordions on the bing.com search and came up with the eHow.com/accordions/ site. Even though it addresses everything with the word accordion in it, e.g. accordion doors, accordion shutters, etc. you just scan down all the options and you eventually come to such topics as: How to fix your accordion bellows, how to fix accordion keys, how to keep accordion keys from sticking, etc.....I strongly recommend you check out the solutions to some of the accordion maladies, we may face over time. Just click on the orange title and you will be taken to some great info.



Our Illustrious open "mic" performers



Shown above, clockwise, Jim Avedisian, Bill Fox, "Coach" Dave, Paul Monte and Lewis Howes, Janet Borelli, Gary Morin, Jerry Tramontozzi, Dave Sullivan and Patrick Desantis.

Thank you to all our open "mic" performers, past, present and future.....Open "mic" is open to anyone, regardless of ability and is a great opportunity to begin to play in public

We are always most appreciative of beginning accordion players because, believe it or not, we were all beginners at one time in our lives.

Our October meeting's featured artist



Alex with his lovely wife
Lilliana

Alex Chudolij

Alex, the owner of MusicMagic USA in New Jersey, is a former multiple champion accordion player. In addition to being a composer, having composed several of the songs on his popular Electric Kozak album.

Alex has been instrumental in promoting the accordion with library lectures, grade school appearances and other goodwill affairs where he has showcased the beauty and uniqueness of the accordion to audiences of all types. To learn more about Alex, visit the website:

www.accordionsusa.com/new_page_1.htm



Alex was also a featured speaker\performer at the 2012 American Accordion Musicological Society's Accordion Workshops back on the last weekend in March in Whippany, NJ
"The 3 R's of MIDI Accordions". Roland, Reedless & Regular"

Our September Meeting Members and Guests



Our very own Dave Magliozzi and James Gerke spent some time at this year's The Northeast Squeeze-in Festival out in the Berkshires. Here are some of Dave's pictures and comments.... to learn more, check out <http://www.squeeze-in.org/>



These were from 3 days at NESI.. absolutely the best event I ever attended... Great food, great location, friendly people. Diatonic button boxes and concertinas ruled... but James and I hooked up with accordionists from Baltimore and Philadelphia..

The music was folk.. Old French, Scottish and Norwegian.. I never heard this stuff before.

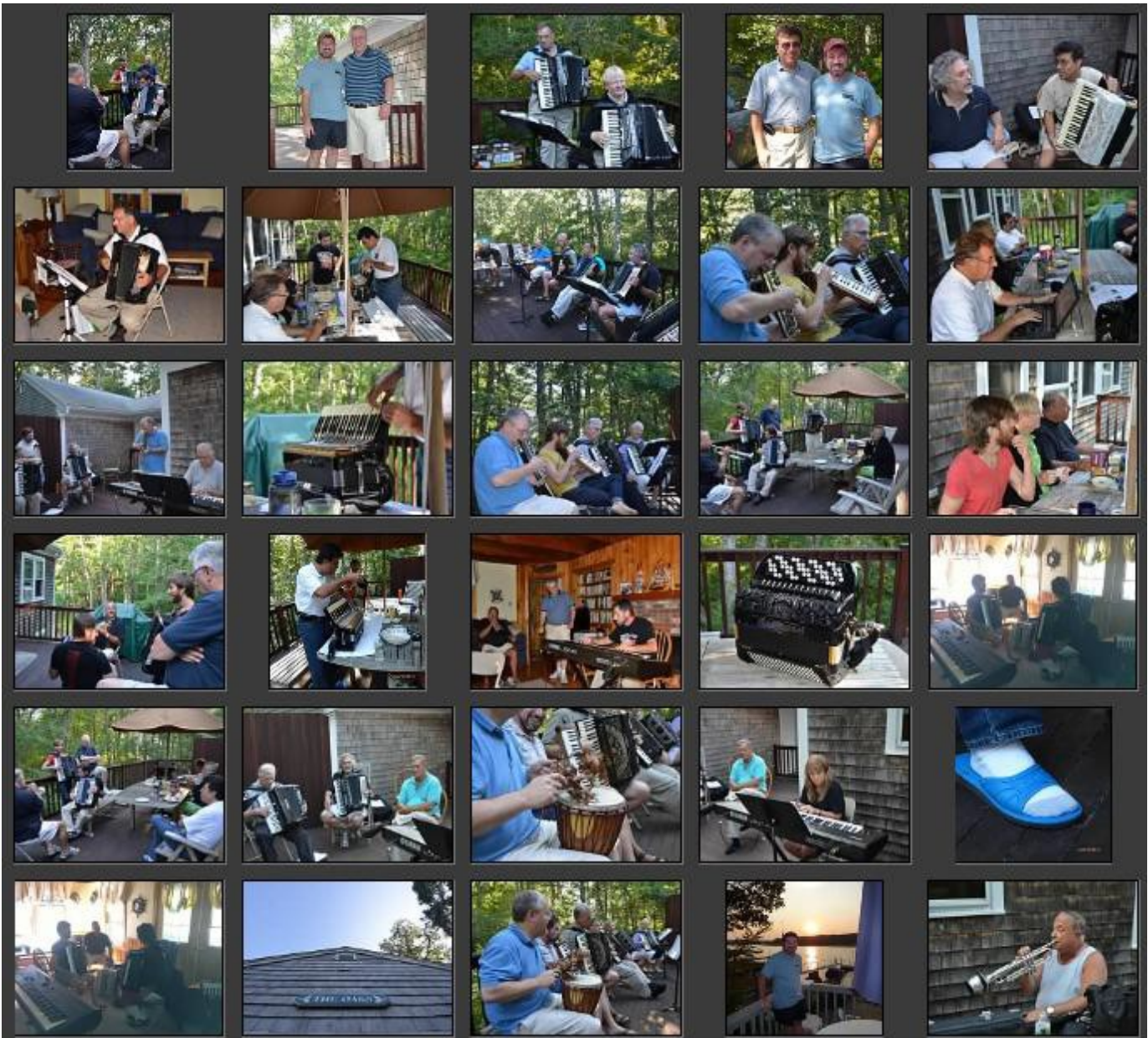


Paul Monte has available:

120 FREE bass ACE accordion, black 18" keyboard. Tone chamber (Casotto) with stereo electrification and a Bassonic installation that has patented alternating string bass sounds. Hand made and hand finished reeds. Consumer Report stated at the time, it was the premier accordion of its day. Original case plus a new carrying bag included. Model Artiste Deluxe (#4990) Serial A933. Like new \$8,500.00. Call Paul Monte 781-237-0554 or 617-780-7555

Many thanks to Dave Magliozzi, he has graciously provided a website for pix from their Cape Cod accordion fest organized by our very own James Gerke. Check out all of the pictures on:

<http://capeaccordion2012.shutterfly.com>



Our very own Jan and Lou Borelli....
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October 11. 2012

Ludwig and Auntie Hilda play for Oktoberfest at Nick's, 124 Millbury Street, Worcester, MA. Come down and show off your stein holding skills, have some chocolate cake, do some yodeling and sing and dance some German Drinking Songs. Ein Prosit!



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WWW.MAaccordion.com

4th Sunday of every month
Check the newsletter or
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E-mail: use our website for
direct contact

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



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Board member



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)
- [Paul Monte](#)—781-237-0554 (Wellesley Hills, MA)
- [Bill LaPolla](#)—401-245-5209 (Barrington, R.I.)
- [Emilian Badea](#)—508-653-8441 (Natick, MA)
- [Inessa Gilmore](#)—inessagilmore@yahoo.com
- [A.T.A.M.](#)—Accordion Teachers of Massachusetts



Additional resources for Accordion Music & Lesson Books

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

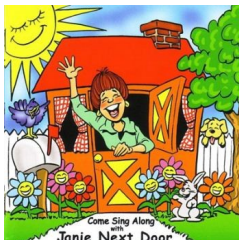
Other New England based Accordion Clubs

- [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

We're on the web:
[MAaccordion.com](http://www.MAaccordion.com)

Did you know.....

That you can see what's happening around the world with accordions....check out the accordions
worldwide website at www.accordions.com and read the articles for these pix.....



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

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

Reminder– NEXT MAAA MEETING: October 28th