

Where knowledge and fun meet

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(Almost only 2 months to spring.....

Hi everyone, I hope you all have had a wonderful holiday season with family and friends and I wish you all a tremendous and healthy 2013.

Many thanks to our board of directors who have been working, planning and creating for this new year's club events and participation.

Just a quick reminder from our board member, Penny, which is also on our website.....

Just to mention that we will be having the party at the Jan. meeting - shrimp, sandwiches, crackers and cheese - and Jan Miller's Fine Cookies (paper goods courtesy of Ed W.) Patty will run what she calls the "musical carousel" that let folks play whatever they want, with Patty riding

herd that everyone isn't playing at the same time! See yah all there!!!! Penny.....

If you missed it, our December meeting was an absolute treat. Dan's play-along session included holiday music that was sing-along quality. We also had the distinct pleasure of the Brothers Rocca, direct from Italy as our featured performers.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at least once or twice throughout our upcoming club year. If you haven't been able to join us for quite some time, you are always welcomed, so don't be shy about stopping by.

So, have a wonderful 2013, stay healthy and remain happy amongst family and friends.....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!!!!

January 27th

Holiday Party!!!!!!

February 24th

March 24th

April 28th

May 26th

June 23rd

July 28th

Upcoming 2013 Accordion Events

American Accordion Musicological Society
2013 Accordion Workshops

Suzy & Sam Andrews "The Colors of Music"	Dallas Vietty **"Swing Musette & Gypsy Jazz"
Bernie Gardzalla ***"Bass Bonanza" Extended Chord Combination for the Left Hand	Silvia Eberly Learn to play the Styrische & Handharmonika Learn to read the special notation.
Jim Vandell ***"Try the Bayan & Learn the Triple & Rocoche Below Shakes"	Frank Hodnicki & Dr. Lou Persic Stylistic differences in Polkas & Polka Performers Part 2
Dr. Marion Jacobson Author: Squeeze That!	Dr. Robert McMahan "Accordions in the Movies"
Stanley & Joanna Darrow **Practice Techniques	Alex Chudolij (Music Maps: Accordion USA) Expansion through MIDI
Dean Ratzin & Bob Lijana Life and Times of "Pietro Deso"—Daddy of the Accordion	Guenadiy Lazarov (Accordion Gallery) "Tender Loving Care for the Love of your Life" Part 2
Mary Tokarski "Growing Up with the GREATS" Part 2	Bruce Gassmann "Classical Music & Classic Rock - Parker Together"!!!
Joan Grauman (Superstar) ***"Playing Ethnic Music Authentically" Part 2	Rocco Jerry "New Accordion-Cello Music by Max Simonic"
Lenn Feldmann "How to make a V Accordion SOUND"	

**** Bring your accordion for class participation—if you wish to.**

March 15, 16, 17, 2013
Hanover Marriott—1401 Route 10 East, Whippany, NJ
For more information, visit: www.amasaccordeofestival.com & www.mamg.org
Telephone: 856-854-4628

Presented in Conjunction with the Mid Atlantic Music Teachers Guild

The 2013 New England Music Festival will be held April 5, 6 and 7 at the Boston Newon Marriott.



The Cotati Accordion Festival
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August 17 & 18, 2013

9:30 - 8:30 both days

in La Plaza Park in Cotati, CA 94931
(60 West Cotati Ave.)

TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE EARLY 2013

Advance tickets: \$15 one-day, \$25 two-days

At the gate: \$17 one-day, \$25 two-days

Kids 15 and under FREE with paying adult.

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 December Play-along session.....



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Roland V Accordion Orchestra

Roland U.S.A. is happy to announce the forming of the 1st United States Digital Accordion Orchestra. Our very own MAAA member, Sam Falcetti, from Springfield, Ma., has organized a New England Roland V Accordion Orchestra with over 25 players including champions, semi-pro's, students and accordion hobbyists. This orchestra will be complimented by drummers, percussionists, rhythm guitar and vocalists and will include four Roland U.S.Champions-

Daniel Pavlotsky and Ollie Luey, Jr. Division Winners, and also
Christopher Gorton and Danielle Renzi, Sr. Division Winners.

Can you just imagine an accordion orchestra with strings, woodwinds, brass and reed sections plus the wonderful sound of the accordion.

During his career Mr. Falcetti has conducted the Springfield Accordion Orchestra on tour in Japan, Italy, New Zealand, and the United States.

He also directed this Orchestra on National TV on the David Frost Show with Roberta Flack.

In the 1980's his Westfield State College Accordion Ensemble
had the honor of performing twice at Carnegie Hall.

To celebrate both Falcetti Music and the Accordion Teachers Association of Massachusetts 50th Anniversary, Sam , along with his son Michael, conducted a 50 piece Orchestra.

After adjudicating at Roland's 5th International V Accordion Festival in Rome, Italy in October of 2011, he was convinced that this incredible instrument was deserving of the creating of a digital accordion orchestra. According to Mr. Falcetti this new orchestra will start rehearsing in February of 2013 and plans to have their premier performance in the Festival Band category at the New England Music's 51st Festival at the Newton Marriott in Newton Mass. on the weekend of April 5, 2013.

All further information will be on the "**falcettimusic.com**" website under the Roland section.

For information to join this prestigious group contact: **peggyf1944@gmail.com**



A note from Cathy Travers, world-wide accordionist who resides in Australia. If you've ever been to YouTube, lookup Cathy, she is a remarkable performer and composer with the accordion.

Cathy: I made a recording of my latest piece in the series for some of the players here in the Friends group...it's the second in a series of tunes for a neat bunch of people - players in the USA & Canada. This

one is dedicated to **David Magliozzi**. A very small compositional 'plan' was to feature the 4th and 13th - to reflect the numbers of Dave's initials in the alphabet. So both those intervals are sharpened in one of the sections over the 'D' bass pedal groove thingy....makes the chord selection a little more juicy and out there - but only for a few bars. I like the flavour of the sharp 13 :-)

I gave up on my initial idea to incorporate pitch-bend into the tune....clearly my imagination far outweighs my current skill-set...but I'll keep on dreaming on :-)

Anyway, Dave is responsible, among other things, for leading me to this great old Sonola accordion.

Also for inviting me into this group, which is such an enjoyable experience

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lz-2JPYEIww>

Dave's Mambo



Our December Meeting Members and Guests



Do you know of any members upcoming performances?????

If you do, please let us know so we can post on the website and in the newsletter....

it is important to support our members and always enjoyable to venture "outside" the club's parameters.....also, always great to meet new people and experience different styles of performances

Our December featured performers.....



During a discussion with a member of the Ciociaro Social Club, an appearance of Fratelli Rocca was offered. After discussing this potential, we engaged Fratelli Rocca to appear at our December 16, 2012 meeting.

Fratelli Rocca are two brothers that were born in Sora Italy, which is about a half hour north of where many members of the Ciociaro Social Club originated. They have been studying accordion since the age of 7 and focused on Neapolitan music. Members thought it would be different for us to see and hear very ethnic playing and performing.

They are here because the Ciociaro Social Club and other Italian American clubs in the area seek their performance over the Christmas season the past few years.

(Brothers Rocca)



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



Lou Borelli Octet plays First Tuesday of the Month Jazz Night at Nick's on the first Tuesday of every month, except not January 1, which is a holiday. So next few First Tuesday of the Month Jazz Nights in 2013 are:

- February 5
- March 5
- April 2
- May 7
- June 4



Lou Borelli Octet plays mostly arrangements from the Dave Pell Octet. Nick's is at 124 Millbury Street, Worcester, MA. No cover. Nick's is a small German Restaurant and Bar and we love to play there. We appreciate your support of live music by local jazz musicians.



February 12, 2013:

Black Sheep Jazz Band plays Dixieland for Mardi Gras at Nick's German Restaurant and Bar, 124 Millbury Street, Worcester, MA, 7:30 - 10:30 PM. No Cover. If you can't make it to New Orleans for Mardi Gras, come down to Nick's instead.

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

MAaccordion phone:
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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.



Looking for newsletter editor to continue the tradition. Please mention your interest to any 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)
- [Falcetti Music](#) (Springfield, 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
- [Falcetti Music](#) (Springfield, MA)



Additional resources for Accordion Music & Lesson Books

- [Accordion Connection](#) (Gilmanton, NH)
- [Mel Bay Publications](#) (Web)
- [Falcetti Music](#) (Springfield, MA)

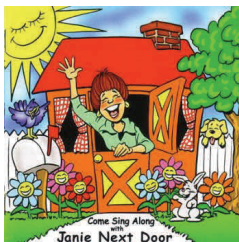
Other New England based Accordion Clubs

- [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

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.

Special dates around national holidays....

Reminder— NEXT MAAA MEETING: January 27th