

MAAA NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2024

NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 21ST- 1:30 PM

CIOCIARO SOCIAL CLUB

144 BRIDGE STREET, NEWTON, MA 02458

DOORS OPEN AT 1PM



HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYONE!

We trust everyone enjoyed Christmas and welcomed 2024 however they celebrate. Let's all hope 2024 brings us all good health, happiness, music and peace in our world.

Our December meeting/Christmas Party was well attended and fun. We had 14 accordionists participate in the play along! The music continued throughout the afternoon as members played solo and jammed. The menu was varied and outstanding! A sincere **THANK YOU!** to everyone who contributed to the buffet table.

We are sure our members who entertain and "play out" were very busy during the month of December.

Member Marcia Lipski participates in a small group called the Village Band. The Band performs "world" music." They are affiliated with the Winchester Music School and their performance featured a polka, 2 songs by Handel, a Salterella by Vincenzo Coccione (from Abruzzi), Duke Ellington's , "I'm gonna' sit down and write myself a letter" , a Macedonian song and a Klezmer tune.

The performance was an end of semester concert at the Jenks Senior Center.

They will perform the same concert at a preschool.

Member Dr. Diane Bonanni, originally from Michigan, comes from a family of accordionists. Her mom, Carolyn Bonanni, now 92 years of age played the accordion and still resides in Michigan. Mom Bonanni competed and played professionally at weddings, grand openings, other events, and on the radio. She also performed in a group in her early years and is partial to Latin music. Diane, along with her two sisters also learned to play the accordion.

Mrs. Bonanni selected four Latin tunes from a list provided her by her daughter, Diane. Diane and member Guy Lombari partnered and recorded a video performing the selected tunes. Here is a link for the video. (It's best if you listen with headphones or earbuds & please note: all mistakes are compliments of Guy Lombari! Please enjoy).

Musical Memories for Diane's Mom

<https://youtu.be/NDUMV6c-v8Q>

Members Carmen D'Angelo, Tony D'Eramo and Guy Lombari

are also members of the New England Digital Accordion Orchestra. As part of the New Year's celebration in Chatham on Cape Cod, the Orchestra performed two concerts on December 31st. This was the Orchestra's third appearance at the annual event. The town of Chatham is a small town that knows how to celebrate in a very big way! Below is a highlight video of the events for your enjoyment

First Night Chatham

[**First Night Chatham Massachusetts 2024 with Saltyhead Adventures \(youtube.com\)**](#)

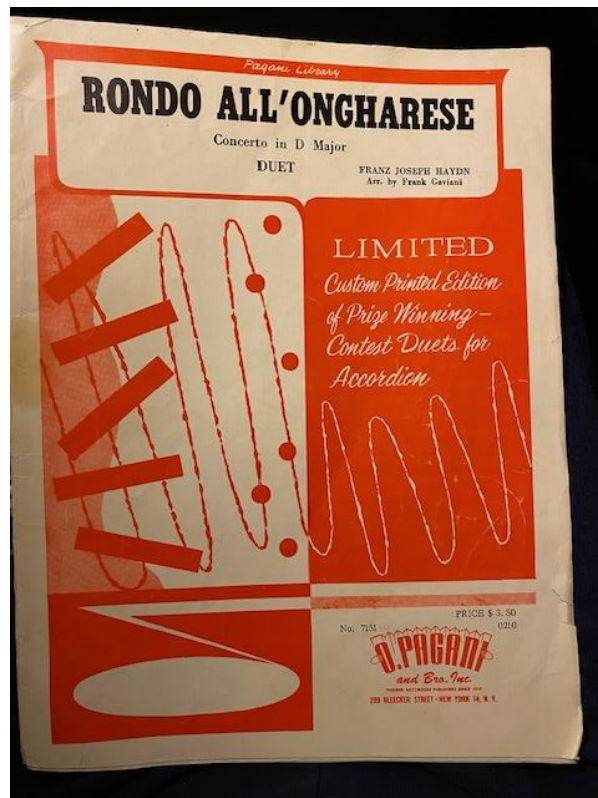
Free Accordion

Soprani Castello 41/120-3/4/1 Serial #311/90

Plays fine, Treble Switches are somewhat sluggish, C note sticks, original case. Owner will donate for personal use or to a student but does not wish it to be sold. If interested, please contact Stephanie DeSisto, email address [**desistephan9@gmail.com**](mailto:desistephan9@gmail.com)

Wanted

Part Two for the piece below



Please contact Dr. Diane Bonanni if you have it or any information about procuring it. dianebononnidmd@aol.com

Free Sheet Music:

[Y K K - MusicSheets \(ms-access.yolasite.com\)](http://ms-access.yolasite.com)

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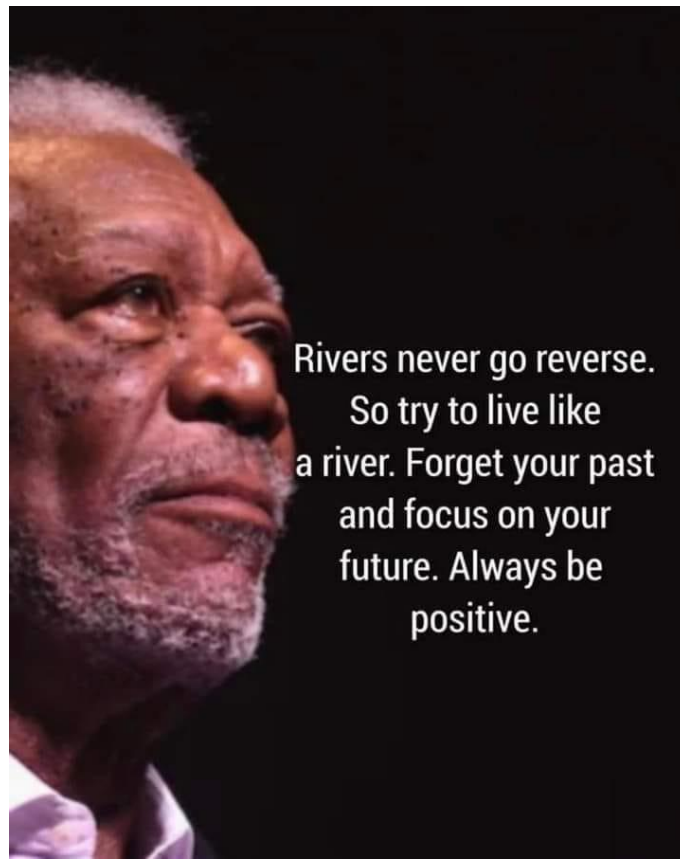
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A Thought for 2024



Hope to see everyone on the 21ST!