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# SKJELBRED'S YETI CHASERS WILL GIVE WINTER A WARM WELCOME ON DECEMBER 20TH!

#### By George Swinford

Ray Skjelbreds's Yeti Chasers seem to have cleared Columbia City of those elusive ape-like creatures. At least, none have been sighted near the Royal Room since Ray's hot quartet began their monthly sessions in that venue. With such success in hand, and with a couple of familiar faces added, the Yeti Chasers will gather at the Ballard Elks on the 20th to ring in the winter solstice a day early, and to chase away those preholiday blues.

Dave Holo's trumpet and Jim Armstrong's trombone will join Steve Wright's reeds, completing a three-horn front line. Ray will lead the group from the piano, with Dave Brown's solid bass and Mike Daugherty's drums providing the rhythm. We don't often schedule a band in which every member sings, but with this lineup, that's the case.

With Ray as leader, we can count on experiencing an interesting selection of tunes, many of which we won't hear from any other band. We may hear some familiar selections presented at unfamiliar tempos, exploring aspects of the music we haven't been aware of. No matter what tempo Ray chooses, danceable rhythms will prevail.

Put aside your Christmas preparations for a few hours on Sunday the 20th and join the PSTJS crowd. Listen and dance to the expanded version of this hot little band, the Yeti Chasers.

#### WHERE:

Ballard Elks Lodge 6411 Seaview Ave. NW, Seattle WHEN.

1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **December 20 ADMISSION:** 

\$12 PSTJS members \$15 non-members. Pay only at door. **FURTHER INFO**:

Carol Rippey 425-776-5072.

Or - website: www.pstjs.org. Plenty of free parking; great view & dance floor, snacks, coffee, and other beverages available.

## **Notes from the Prez**

Here we are at the end of 2015. It's been a great year, celebrated our 40th Anniversary in October, purchased a new sound system, hosted some different bands, and began a project of reminiscences from our members. I've received about a dozen letters so far and you'll be reading each of them in upcoming issues of the "Soundings."

Keep those stories of how you began loving OKOM coming. The best way to send

them is via email to jazzdancer2@msn.com. That way I can send them on to our Soundings Editor for publication.

I asked for members to apply for the open position on the board, did not receive any responses. Therefore we invited one of our longtime members Verna Eriks to join us and she has accepted. Her two-year term will begin January 1, 2016. Verna served as a board member and officer some years

ago and will be a wonderful addition to our board. Welcome Verna!

Here's wishing each one of you a very Happy Holiday Season and a musical, Happy New Year. Take good care of yourselves and join us on Dec. 20th for Ray and his Yeti Chasers, plus Jim and Dave. It'll be a great afternoon, not to be missed. See you then. Cheers, Judy!

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Elks Lodge, Ballard, 6411 Seaview Ave N.W., Seattle
December 20 Ray Skjelbred & The Yeti Chasers
January 17 Uptown Lowdown Jazz Band
February 21 Claire McKenna and Friends

March 20 Gerry Green's Crescent City Shakers

April 17 Ain't No Heaven Seven

May 15 holotradband June 19 New Orleans Quintet

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#### **BELLINGHAM TRADITIONAL JAZZ SOCIETY**

1st Saturday, 2 - 5 pm VFW Hall 625 N. State St Dec. 5 Crescent City Shakers plus AGM Jan. 2 Halleck Street Ramblers

Feb. 6 Bob Storms' All-Stars
March 5 Clamdigger Jazz Band

#### **BOURBON STREET ALL STARS**

1st Tuesday, 5-9pm at McCloud's Grillhouse 2901 Perry Ave, Bremerton, WA 98310 Res: 360-373-3093

#### **DAVE HOLO TRIO**

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Dec. 4 5-8pm Dec. 18 5-8pm

#### **GREATER OLYMPIA DIXIELAND JAZZ SOCIETY**

2nd Sundays 1-4:30pm Elks Lodge. 1818 Fourth Ave., Olympia

Dec. 13 Dukes of Swing
Jan. 10 Mardi Gras Jazz Band
Feb. 14 Columbia Classic Jazz Band
March 13 Uptown Lowdown Lite
Apr. 10 Columbia Classic Jazz Band

May 1 Hume Street June 12 Dukes of Swing

#### **PEARL DJANGO**

Dec. 12 8pm North City Bistro Reservations recommended 1520 NE 177th St; Shoreline, WA; 206-365-4447

Dec. 31 6:30 - 7:30pm Tacoma's 1st Night Celebration Blue Couch Lounge, 923 Broadway, Tacoma WA

#### **RAY SKJELBRED & THE YETI CHASERS**

Dec. 20 1 - 4:30 pm Puget Sound Traditional Jazz Society
\*With guests Dave Holo and Jim Armstrong
For more info visit: http://pstjs.org/

Dec. 26 5 - 7:30pm Royal Room (Seattle, WA) For more info visit: http://theroyalroomseattle.com

#### **UPTOWN LOWDOWN JAZZ BAND**

Dec. 1 12-2pm Crossroads Bellevue Double Barrs Christmas Cheer Dec. 14 6-8pm Crossroads Bellevue Uptown Lite Christmas Cheer Dec. 22 6:45 & 8:45pm Lights of Christmas - Warm Beach

Dec. 23 6:45 & 8:45pm Lights of Christmas - Warm Beach Uptown Lowdown Jingle Jazz shows

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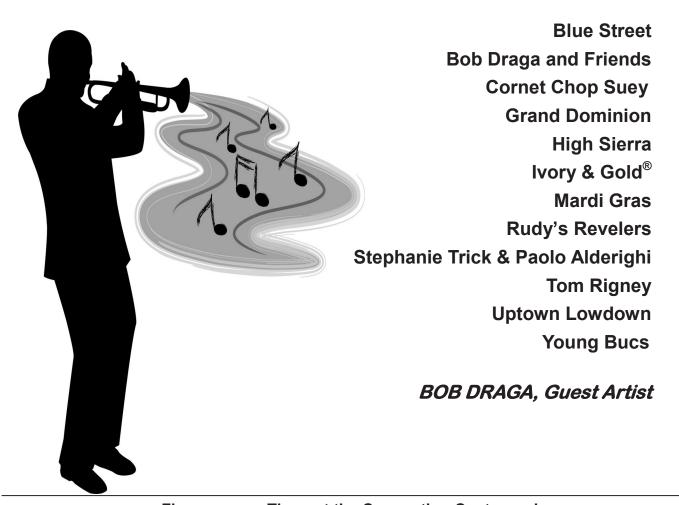
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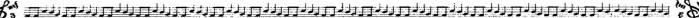
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More information at <u>www.jazzseaside.com</u> or 1-866-345-6257,

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# PLEASE SHARE YOUR FAVORITE JAZZ MEMORY WITH US.....

We know that there are many many jazz events and stories that have played an important part in your life. Our goal is to gather a collection of stories for our editor to use, when space is available, in the Soundings.

The topics could include such things as:

- When did you first listen to this kind of music?
- Where did you hear it?
- Who were you listening to?
- Is there a particular melody that brings back a flood of memories?
- Did you ever have the opportunity to listen to, or chat with the musicians, (or leader) of any bands that are no longer in existence?

This invitation is not only extended to our listening and reading members, but to our musicians also. Don't worry about grammatical or spelling errors – we have an expert proof reader on board. You may put your memories down on paper and mail to PSTJS 19031 Ocean Ave, Edmonds, WA. 98020, or email your stories to: jazzdancer2@msn.com.

We hope to be overwhelmed with stories and memories sharing the joy of loving this music

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# Remembering Mike Duffy

By Bob Jackson

Since his untimely passing my complex and conflicted friend Michael has been in my thoughts. I do miss him.

Mike was the rhythmic foundation of just about every band I ever played in for more than fifty years. He loved jazz and blues and was devoted to playing. But the primary object of his affection was his son Joshua who— I'm glad to say—I've known since he was an infant. I travelled thousands of miles with the two of them.

Now, Josh is a successful lawyer, husband, and father. These remarkable accomplishments I view in part as a living tribute to his devoted father.



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