

Old-time tunes to swing in Gayville June 16

The Public Domain Tune Band and talented guests, including Los Angeles saxophonist Roger Neumann, Vermillion vocalist Becca Gehm, and Omaha drummer Joey Gulizia, take the stage in Gayville at 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 16, for "Gayville Hall's Big Time, Two-Hour Jazz Jam."

The show will feature "tunes that our parents and grandparents loved," according to Gayville Hall proprietor Doug Sharples, including songs from the 1920s and '30s by popular American composers like Fats Waller, George Gershwin, and Duke Ellington.

The Tune Band was founded as a duo in 1979 by vocalist and guitarist Nick Schwebach and fiddler Owen DeJong, both of rural Wakonda, after an earlier rockabilly band they played in broke up. The duo started performing early 20th-century popular tunes they learned from 78 r.p.m. records and older musicians they befriended in Clay County.

Schwebach's vocals sometimes remind listeners of those by such iconic and authentic vocalists of the early jazz and pop era as Louis Armstrong and Jack Teagarden. Gehm, still in her 20s, will add a fresh, female spin to several old-time classics that she'll sing.

Larry Rohrer, who is also part of Schwebach-and-DeJong's five-piece band, Poker Alice, plays bass with the Tune Band, and C.J. Kocher plays saxophones, after first sitting in with

band three years ago for another show at Gayville Hall. Kocher teaches saxophone and jazz studies at USD and has performed behind pop stars and in big bands, symphony orchestras, and jazz groups.

Special guest star Roger Neumann brings the "Big-Time" to the show. He plays the tenor, soprano and baritone saxophones, flute and clarinet and has performed with Woody Herman, the Lee Castle/Jimmy Dorsey band, Ray Anthony, Les Brown, Bob Crosby, and the Beach Boys. His music has been featured in the Showtime movies "Atlantis," "Three Men and a Little Lady," and "Mumford." He appeared in the theatrical movies "LaBamba," "My Favorite Year," and "For the Boys."

Neumann has written music for Buddy Rich, Count Basie, Ray Charles, Ray Brown, The Beach Boys, and Jerry Garcia. He has also written arrangements and compositions for the T.V. series "The Young and the Restless," "Moonlighting," "Hollywood Housewives," and "My Favorite Martian."

He was honored, along with pianist Herbie Hancock, singer Annie Ross and others, at the 20th Annual Jazz Awards in Los Angeles in 2002, receiving "the jazz composer and arranger of the year" award. Not bad for a guy born in North Dakota, raised in northwest Iowa, and educated at Morningside College in Sioux City. Drummer Gulizia has played with



Larry Rohrer, C.J. Kocher, Owen DeJong (shown, l. to r.), and the Public Domain Tune Band vocalist Nick Schwebach welcome Los Angeles saxophonist Roger Neumann and other special guests to "Gayville Hall's Big Time, Two-Hour Jazz Jam" at 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 16, for an evening of classic pre-World War II popular songs accompanied by the improvisations of great jazz artists

the Nebraska Jazz Orchestra, the Nebraska Brass, and the Omaha Symphony. He has performed in

Japan, Europe and the Caribbean, including gigs on many cruise ships. Gayville Hall is at 502 Washington

Street in Gayville. Reserved seats cost \$15. Call 605-267-2859. Tickets are \$12.50 at the door.

Vermillion American Legion presents awards to students

Vermillion American Legion Post #1 announces the students chosen for the 2012 School Awards. Teachers from each of the elementary schools, St Agnes and middle school select students to receive the American Legion School Awards. Students from each grade are chosen annually for this honor. In addition to an American Legion School Award certificate, each student receives an American Legion Medal.

Chosen from Austin Elementary were Maya Radigan and Jacob Barber for the First Grade. Jolley School winners were

Kodi Cottam and Hari Kadarkaraisamy for the Second Grade, from the Third Grade, Rebecca Burcham and Dillion Gestring; from the Fourth Grade, Kelly Mulheron and Brady Martinez; from the Fifth Grade, Kaya Lewis and Jacob Mortinsen.

At the Middle School, Merrigan Iddings and Anthony Molina represented the Sixth Grade; Kyleigh Moran and Colton Rydstrom represented the Seventh Grade; and Kylee Retzlaff and Brandon Mockler were the winners from the Eighth Grade. St. Agnes School award

winners were Leah Herbster and Quinten Stange in the First Grade; Clare Dahlhoff and Zachary Brady in the Second Grade; Elaina Taggart and Nicholas Roob chosen in Grade Three; Zadya Abbott and Carly Peckham representing the Fourth Grade; and Amanda Havermann and Regan Heine were the award winners in the Fifth Grade.

"Students chosen to receive this recognition from the American Legion are students who have demonstrated the outstanding development of the qualities of Courage, Honor,

Leadership, Patriotism, Scholarship, Honesty, and Service," said Ray Hofman, Legion Americanism Officer, "and American Legion Post #1 is proud to recognize these young boys and girls who have been chosen by their teachers to represent their respective grades for the 2011 school year."

Legion members Dick Stensaas, Joe Conroy, Clinton Meadows and Gene Sanow assisted with the 2012 presentations.

Six S.D. towns to welcome health professions students

This summer, 12 university students will learn first-hand about providing healthcare in rural South Dakota. This is thanks to six communities' collaborations with a grant program designed to raise awareness for the healthcare services needs in underserved areas of the state.

The six communities were selected as "Best Practice Model" sites for the Rural Experiences for Health Professions Students Program (REHPS) in 2012. The REHPS program connects interprofessional groups of students enrolled in medical, physician assistant, doctor of nurse practice, and pharmacy programs through the University of South Dakota (USD) and South Dakota State University (SDSU) with medical professionals practicing in six rural South Dakota communities. The program has expanded from three sites in 2011 to six in 2012.

Students were selected in a

competitive process to participate in REHPS.

- Parkston: Danielle Schroeder, Doctor of Nursing Practice student from Pierre; Megan Bechen, Pharmacy student from Winfred.

- Philip: Tandis Hoffman, Physician Assistant student from Lennox; Kimberly Livingston, Pharmacy student from Yankton.

- Redfield: Miranda Tracy, Medical student from Pierre; Alyssa Osborn, Pharmacy student from Brookings.
- Wagner: Amber Burke, Pharmacy student from Round Lake Park, Ill.; Mikaela Miller, Medical student from Spencer, NE.

- Wessington Springs: Anthony Loewen, Medical student from Huron; Trent Harris, Pharmacy student from Valentine, NE.

- Winner: Tia Haines, Physician Assistant student from White Lake; Justin Cunningham, Pharmacy student from Bloomfield, NE.

In addition to the enriching

career experience, students will also be involved in a community project designed to provide interaction with people outside of a clinical setting. The students will call their new communities home for four weeks.

Kassy Youmans, REHPS Program Manager, said the REHPS program provides a framework for community leaders to follow in an effort to successfully recruit and retain healthcare professionals.

"Students are more likely to return to facilities and communities where they have had rich, positive experiences

early in their training. The REHPS program is designed to allow communities and students to make this happen," Youmans said.

South Dakota is experiencing a shortage of healthcare workers. The number of high school graduates in the state decreases as the number of retirees is increasing. Between now and 2018, 10 percent of the new jobs in South Dakota will be healthcare related. Fifty-nine of South Dakota's 66 counties are designated as medically underserved.

Sanford Vermillion earns a three-year term of ACR accreditation

Sanford Vermillion has been awarded a three-year term of accreditation in mammography as the result of a recent review by the American College of Radiology (ACR).

Mammography is a specific type of imaging test that uses a low-dose x-ray system to examine breasts. A mammogram is used to aid in the early detection and diagnosis of breast diseases in women.

The ACR gold seal of accreditation represents the highest level of image quality and patient safety. It is awarded only to facilities meeting ACR practice guidelines and technical standards after a peer-review evaluation by board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field.

Image quality, personnel qualifications, adequacy of facility equipment, quality

control procedures and quality assurance programs are assessed.

The findings are reported to the ACR Committee on Accreditation, which subsequently provides the practice with a comprehensive report they can use for continuous practice improvement.

The ACR is a national professional organization serving more than 34,000 diagnostic/interventional radiologists, radiation oncologists, nuclear medicine physicians and medical physicists with programs focusing on the practice of medical imaging and radiation oncology and the delivery of comprehensive health care services.

Sanford Vermillion has maintained ACR accreditation since 1993.

Have 403(b) questions? Let's talk.



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