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Jovert Steel Drum Band Posted by Dorinna York on Oct 04, 2013



When people hear Jovert, they will hear familiar songs...they just won't hear them in a familiar way. When Jovert plays, listeners can expect to be surprised, enlightened, and above all, entertained. Movement, theatrics, and choreography are very much a part of each Jovert performance.

Students from Tucson High Magnet School in Tucson, Arizona make up Jovert. Originally started in 1991 as the Tucson High Steel Band, the program developed over its first few years, but remained small until its present director, Khris Dodge, arrived on the scene in 1999.

Khris Dodge became the director of the steel band in the fall

of 1999 and formed Jovert in the year 2000. When he inherited the program, there were two bands and 17 students total. Today, the program boasts four bands and over 110 students. Jovert's largest performing ensemble contains more than 30 players. However, versatility is the band's strong suit. Different ensembles of varying sizes perform in venues all over Tucson, Arizona, and the Southwest.

The bands have recorded four critically-acclaimed CDs over the last eight years, and their music has sold on every continent except Antarctica (but don't think they've given up on that!) Aside from selling thousands of copies of their albums, their music is also sold digitally on many websites; most notably, iTunes.

Live performances are still the crux of the group, and the most dynamic way to experience their music. Notable performances include yearly local engagements at The Reid Park *Zoolights, Zoocson*, and 4th Avenue Street Fair as well as tours to Southern California, Las Vegas, and Northern Arizona. They have also been featured performers for the mayor of Tucson, Arizona Special Olympics, Tucson City Council members, state representatives, and major national employers (IBM, Raytheon.) Additionally, Jovert has twice performed on live television performances for Cox Communication's *Everyday Heroes* in 2005 and 2007.

Weekly Program

Oct 09, 2013 Jovert Steel Drum Bands/Khris Dodge - Director Music Program - Tucson High Steel Drum Band

Oct 16, 2013 Chuck Sawyer/Bob Shaff Car Show Meeting

Oct 19, 2013 Tucson Classics Car Show

Oct 23, 2013 DARK - NO LUNCH MEETING

Oct 30, 2013 Fonda Insley All Souls Procession

Nov 13, 2013 Art Harrington The Rotary Foundation

Nov 20, 2013 Mayor Rothschild

Nov 27, 2013 Michael Keith What's Happening in Downtown

Dec 04, 2013 John Humenik Changing Landscape for Newspaper Industry

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Upcoming Events

2013 Havasupai Annual Hike Oct 10, 2013 - Oct 13, 2013

2013 San Carlos Trip Dec 06, 2013 - Dec 09, 2013

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Mystery Editor October 2 Posted by Ed Mystery on Oct 04, 2013

President DAVE started the meeting on time, a relief with a busy day that we did not know how busy we were going to be! Paul Harris awards were presented.

close October 16, 2013.

Car Show part 2. Only 52% of the positions for the day of the event have been filled. We need all of you to help. If you are going to be out of town and miss the event, would you consider recruiting a volunteer to help in your stead?

A shout out to TERESA LIVERZANI-BAKER who gifted the magnetic car stickers on your table. I saw a number already attached to their cars as we were leaving on Wednesday. A reminder that we need items for the silent auction the night before the event, I am sure you will continue to hear more about this on Wednesday.

Cheer hard for STACIA DECKER and family as their son is going to the Jet Ski Worlds in Lake Havasu next weekend. Links are below:

http://www2.iisba.com/world-finals/

http://www.tucsonmovemagazine.com/recreation/rec_feature/ryan-decker-makinghis-own-waves/

Now for the fun, I know where to get fresh fish, buffalo meat, and doves. From the members, of course! What I learned from our table, dove hunting season opens this weekend, there are 3 types of birds in AZ, and it is possible to get all three in one day, if you drive fast. To cook them, wrap in bacon, seasonings, olive oil, and cook slowly, and remember more than one is needed to fill up.

" My Model A" Posted by Drew Vactor on Oct 04, 2013

When I got near driving age, my Dad couldn't hold me back, so when I was 15 he found an absolutely horrible looking Model A that he "encouraged" me to buy with everything I had in my meager checking account at the time -- \$110. It took me most of the next year to get it running and I started driving it to Palo Verde high school about a month before my 16th birthday so I could be on the track team.

On my 16th birthday, Dad rode with me to MVD to get my driver's license, so I could legally drive it to school. I got pulled over and cited for having the wrong license plates (we "borrowed" them off our old ranch bus). With huge disappointment, I qualified in the family station wagon that Mom had been in, following us to take Dad home. Later in the day, I got called to the principal's office where my Dad presented me with the keys and registration. The ticket was dismissed. We could get just about anything done in this town back in the day.

I did all the work on the "A" except painting, which my Dad did for me in 1957 Chevy Blue. It had a chicken wire top and folding chairs. My parents' birthday present to me that year was upholstery and it had beautiful baby blue tuck and roll until a few months ago. I went to Syracuse my freshman year in college and my sister drove the "A" to high school. It looked a bit faded, so she convinced my Dad to paint it Pink (and my sister later added a red pin-stripe and white wall tires). She drove it for two years until she went to college, then my baby sister drove it. She was Miss U of A and it was prominently featured in one of the promo pix taken at the airport when the first DC-10 came to Tucson.

It then sat in the desert for about 8 years until Kandie and I rescued it one day by putting in a little fuel and water, rolling it down the hill and popping the clutch. We drove it for the next year but I got tired of guys whistling at me in a pink car. Kandie and I put in another 600 hours of work fixing a lot of things I skipped over the first time, including some badly

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WE have 12 days to the car show and we are on

track to set a record for profits, way to go

everyone. WE have sold 17,000 ticket sales,

another record, way to go team! A GOAL has been set to sell another 6,000 tickets over the

remaining days, and we can achieve this with everyone's help. Keep in mind the on- line sales

needed Bondo work. Dad painted it a third time, back to blue, again, but this time with black fenders as Henry intended (Model A's were available in about 14 colors, many two-toned).

Here is what it looked like in the first three versions:







And in the final version: It was not nearly as easy to crank start as the Model T. It had a higher compression engine and was normally started with a positive ground electric starter, but I had to start it with the crank plenty of times. In fact, when we painted it back to blue, we nostalgically left the crank and running board gate pink. I am telling this story, and including everyone on the list, because I have

followed the car's progress and it will be in our car show this year!



gear in my garage. I was contacted a few years ago by Fred Harrison in Sierra Vista who had purchased it and was rebuilding it, yet again. It is now brown with black fenders. It is a work in progress in this picture. In this picture, you can still see my old baby blue tuck and roll on the driver's seat and the white wall tires my sister put on it.



President's Letter Posted by David Gallaher on Oct 04, 2013

I was excited to hear more about the Sonoran Glass Academy at this week's meeting. The Academy is one of the premier glass blowing schools and is a resource for glass blowing around the country. Susan and I may even visit for the "Blow Your Own Pumpkin" festival October 4, 5, and 6.

Our own member David Pashkow is on their board and thanks to David for setting up this entertaining program.

This week's program will be Tucson High's steel drum band Jovert. Wear your Tommy Bahama shirt and flip flops. These kids are great and Kris Dodge has done a great job with Jovert. Be ready for a musical treat.

We had a very busy meeting this week and please remember to sign up October 9 for work details for the Car Show on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. For our STAR members it is required to spend at least part of two days on the weekend of the show. Also, please sign up for the Friday night chicken dinner. This dinner is another fun evening of fellowship for our membership. If you can, please help by donating an auction item. We have some really cool auction items that will be had by some lucky bidder. The dinner is October 18, Friday, 5:30-8:30 PM at St Gregory's. The cost is \$10 and please register on the Tucson Classics Car Show website at www.tucsonclassicscarshow.com.

This weekend, RCOT will be hosting the 300th Gift of Life heart surgery recipient who is Kaitia and she is 14 years old and from Sedona. The Gift of Life program is Rotary supported by the three Rotary Districts in Arizona. Kaitia and her mom will be staying with the Gallahers and we have several support volunteers but we could use a few more. Volunteering means providing transportation back and forth for the mom until Kaitia is able to leave and rehabilitate at the Gallahers. Our hope is for the Club to meet mother and daughter at the October 16 meeting provided Kaitia is able to attend.

This end of the week we had a successful Interact meeting at Amphi High School that was attended by 40 students with the school principal along with two school teacher volunteers. Thanks to Jim Lubinski, Sally Montagne, Cindy Godwin, Darrell Stewart, and



especially Allyn Bulzomi for being a part of this meeting. We are on the way to the first ever RCOT Interact Club.

Fall is in full swing. We have lots of stuff going on! Engage Rotary-Change Lives! Have a great week.

Rotary Club Shirts Posted by Jon Wang on Oct 07, 2013

Attention Rotarians, anyone who ordered a Rotary Club shirt they will be available on October 16th at the Rotary meeting. Shirts will also be available at St. Gregory's on Thursday, October 17th and Friday, October 18th. Thank you.

Jon Wang

Resignations Posted by Dorinna York on Oct 04, 2013

The following members have resigned from the club:

Pete Raguzin

Jim Mather



Menu for October 9th at The DoubleTree Posted by Dorinna York on Oct 04, 2013

Plated Salad ~ Caesar Salad with Caesar and Balsamic Vinaigrette

Grilled Chicken Pizza (Personal Size) ~ Grilled Chicken Pizza

Topped with Marinara, Fresh Mozzarella, Grilled Zucchini, Grilled Eggplant and Marinated Grilled Chicken, Assorted Cookies served Family Style, Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea

Vegetarian option if reserved by Monday noon:

Grilled Vegetarian Pizza (Personal Size) ~ Grilled Vegetarian Pizza Topped with Fresh Mozzarella, Roasted Tomatoes and Pesto

Fresh Fruit Plate if reserved by Monday noon.

Gluten Free meals available by advance reservation only.

Membership and Attendance Posted by Dorinna York on Oct 03, 2013				
Membership		Scholarship Cups		
Active Members Active Members Attendance Exempt	166 56	Cash Contributions Quarterly with Dues	\$ \$	63.00 240.00
Total Active Members	222	Total Scholarship Cups	\$	303.00
Honorary Members	17			
Meeting Attendance - October 2, 2013		Raffle	\$	0.00
Members	126	Auction	\$	325.00
Active Members AE	14			325.00

LOA/Honorary Members	1	
Total Members Present	141	
Guests	12	
Guests of the Club	3	
Visiting Rotarians	1	
Total Meeting Attendance	157	

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