

**Music News - Trivia Anyone?**  
By SierraMadreSue Behrens



I love trivia and TV game shows like Jeopardy and Cash Cab - my current favorite. It's fun to play along at home and make fun of the contestants who don't know the "easy" stuff. But playing for real, when there's prizes at stake and the pressure is on, is another story. Quizmaster MIDGE MATHIESON puts a lot of time and effort into the questions and answers for TUESDAY NIGHT TRIVIA @ CAFE 322 every week. Four different categories that usually include an audio and/or video section, cover a wide variety of subjects for contestants of all ages. And despite his thorough research, sometimes certain participants (who will remain nameless) challenge him and he has to remind them of Rule

Number One: *the host's decision is final - no arguing!* Well I haven't been kicked out yet, and hopefully this photo will make up for any grief I may have caused him! Love ya Midge!

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**4/21 - "TAPAS TUESDAY" @ MARY'S MARKET & CANYON CAFE IN SIERRA MADRE CANYON** with GLENN OLIVEIRA, 6-7pm and ROADHOUSE RON, 7 - 9pm. 561 Woodland Ave. 626-355-4534. Cozy venue, *YUMMY FOOD!* Acoustic Guitar & vocals from two Canyon locals.

**"TUESDAY NIGHT TRIVIA" @ CAFE 322 with QUIZMASTER MIDGE, 8pm. \$2 per person to play, CASH or gift certificates to the top 3 teams. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. (I won't be there tonight, as I won tickets to a play on 100.3 the Sound. It's not because Midge gave me the boot!)**

**WED. 4/22 - "SONG SIRENS" @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 8pm.** Featuring acclaimed L.A.-based, female Americana artists Kristin Mooney, Claire Holley, Nicole Gordon and Gia Ciambotti, accompanied by keyboardist/accordionist Carl Byron and hosted by Bliss. With special guest, "Memphis Soul mama" SUSAN MARSHALL, whose new CD I have been enjoying for the past several days. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. No cover, full bar, great Italian food. *Should be another great show!* [www.myspace.com/songsirens](http://www.myspace.com/songsirens)

**WED. 4/22 - 3 FAT GUYS & A PUNK @ KATIE JAKE'S IN COVINA, 9pm.** Corner of Citrus & Workman. 626-967-2765. Full bar, no cover. Blues, Rock from Jimmy McGrew, Drake, Mike Leasure, Jamie Hunting and Gratz Arias. *Every Wed. until further notice.* <http://www.myspace.com/thefatguysandpunks>

**"WEDNESDAY NIGHT PLATTER PARTY" @ THE BUCCANEER, 9pm.** *Bring your favorite LP records and Dan Besocke will play entire sides on his turntable, commercial free!* 70 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-355-9045.

**FRI. 4/24 - The MELLOW D'z (DAVE OSTI AND DEANNA COGAN) @ THE MAYAN BAR (inside the Aztec Hotel) in MONROVIA, 6 - 9pm Happy Hour. 311 W. Foothill Blvd. 626-358-3231. NO COVER.** Full bar, coldest beer in town! Acoustic Guitar, vocals. *"Hot Chick, Cool Dude & Music to suit your mood!"* <http://www.myspace.com/themellowdeees>

FRI. 4/24 - "THE SUBS" (Better Than Blue's acoustic alter ego) @ the DOCKSIDE in WEST COVINA, 8pm - Midnight. 3057 E. Garvey Ave. North. 626-915-3474. Danny Hesse, Felicia Bright, and newest sub, Robert Gonzalez. Acoustic Rock, Soul & Blues.

**CALL AHEAD!!** FRI. 4/24 - TONY SNOW & THE CHANGE and THE RENOVATORS @ THE BUCCANEER LOUNGE IN SIERRA MADRE, 9:30 pm. 70 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-355-9045. Full bar, no cover, pool table, free parking! HELLO FROM RENO's website says they are playing tonight, so I'm not sure what the deal is... *if so, maybe they'll play my request this time that I put \$5 in the tip jar for last time & they didn't play!!!*

SAT. 4/25 - BARRY "BIG B" BRENNER @ FIREFLY BISTRO IN SOUTH PASADENA, 11am - 2pm. 1009 El Centro. 626-441-2443 . All ages. Saturday BLUES Brunch under a big breezy tent. *The Mission St. Gold Line station is just a short walk away, and makes for a nice outing.*  
<http://www.bigbbrenner.com/>

SAT. 4/25 - I SEE HAWKS IN L.A. @ the City of Pasadena's "Greening the Earth Day & Armory Family Arts Festival", 1pm. FREE. Held at the Armory and across the street in Memorial Park. Featuring musical performances all day, art workshops for families and visitors of all ages, and exhibits on green building, solar energy, water and energy efficiency, recycling and composting. Festival goes from 10am - 4pm. 145 N. Raymond Ave. *Take the convenient Gold Line to Memorial Park Station.* <http://www.armoryarts.org/greeningFestival.php>

SAT. 4/25 - OCHO X @ UNION CENTER FOR THE ARTS IN LOS ANGELES, 6 - 8pm. 120 Judge John Aiso Street, L.A. 90012. 213-617-3274. Reception for LA ARTCORE's "Exhibition of Two Cities. Albuquerque-Los Angeles". I could not determine from the website whether there is an admission fee or not. *Ask Lonnie!*  
<http://laartcore.org/exchange-shows/>

SAT. 4/25 - BARRY "BIG B" BRENNER @ ARCADIA BLUES CLUB, 8 - 10pm. \$5 early admission gets you in for the second act as well - BB CHUNG KING. 16 E. Huntington Dr. 626-447-9349. Full bar & kitchen, pool tables. Huge room. <http://www.arcadiabluesclub.com/default.asp>

SAT. 4/25 - ADAM MARSLAND'S CHAOS BAND and THE ONLY MEN @ THE BUCCANEER LOUNGE IN SIERRA MADRE, 9pm. 70 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-355-9045. Full bar, no cover, cheap drinks! Rock.

SAT. 4/25 - JETSTREAM @ THE RANCHO BAR IN ALTADENA, 9pm. 2485 N. Lake Ave. 626-798-7634. Full bar, no cover. *Jet's jammin' hippie rock band.* [www.ranchobar.com](http://www.ranchobar.com)

SUN. 4/26 - BARRY "BIG B" BRENNER @ FIREFLY BISTRO IN SOUTH PASADENA, 11am - 2pm. 1009 El Centro. 626-441-2443 . All ages. *BLUES Brunch under a big breezy tent.*  
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SUN. 4/26 - JAZZ BRUNCH @ CAFE 322 with a special performance from Jazz vocalist TONI JANNOTTA. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. Full bar, great Italian food. No cover. *(Mercy will be back in May.)*

SUN. 4/26 - "OPERA TO BROADWAY" VOCAL PERFORMANCES @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 7pm. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. Full bar and great Italian food. Every Sunday evening. *Get there early - they pack 'em in!*

APRIL 27th - HAPPY BIRTHDAY BILLY BOOGER, DAVE SLIFKIN & RON OTA!

4/28 - "TAPAS TUESDAY" @ MARY'S MARKET & CANYON CAFE IN SIERRA MADRE CANYON with Jean Sudbury on violin, 6 - 7pm, and The Dave & Jodi Show (celebrating the songwriters from the 60's & 70's) 7 - 9pm. 561 Woodland Ave. 626-355-4534. Cozy venue, *YUMMY FOOD!*

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**SAT. 5/2 - Open Mic Night @ the FRETHOUSE in Covina. 309 N. Citrus Ave. (626) 339-7020. Always on the first Saturday of the month, and just one dollar for performers or audience. Sign-up starts at 7:30. If there aren't enough slots for everybody they'll make a list for the next month, and call you. Each act gets two songs or ten minutes, whichever comes first. The show starts at 8:00. They'll have desserts and coffee ready. Bring your friends and family and join the show!**  
[www.covina.com/frethouse/](http://www.covina.com/frethouse/)

**SAT. 5/2 - LISA FINNIE & FRIENDS @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 8 - 11pm. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. Full bar and great Italian food. No cover, all ages. Country/Western/Jazz torch singer and guitar player.**

**SAT. 5/2 - HORSES ON ASTROTURF @ THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 280 IN EAST PASADENA, 8:30pm - Midnight. \$5 admission for music only. Hawaiian chicken dinner available for an additional \$3 from 6 - 8pm. 179 N. Vinedo Ave. 626-792-9938. 100% of profits go to "Operation Mend" who provide reconstructive surgery to maimed soldiers.**

**SAT. 5/2 - MARTINI DIARIES featuring JEFF STETSON & friends @ COLOMBO'S ITALIAN STEAK HOUSE IN EAGLE ROCK, 10pm - 1am. 1833 Colorado Blvd. 323-254-9138. Full kitchen & bar. Jeff sez: first set will be Jazz & then evolve into "Acid-Lounge-Jazz-Rock!" 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month.**

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**SUN. 5/3 - Have Lunch with NEW ASTROTURF @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 1:30 - 4:30pm. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. Full bar and great Italian food in a comfy setting. Bring the family! Acoustic Folk/Rock, Classic Country.**

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*Please remember to call and verify all info. before making plans. Everything is subject to change.  
This is show biz, after all...*

Hope to see you out & about,  
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*P.S. PLEASE HELP MY FRIENDS the SHEDS WIN A SPOT ON THE VANS WARPED TOUR '09! Go  
to: [warped.battleofthebands.com/thesheds](http://warped.battleofthebands.com/thesheds) and register first. Then you can VOTE once every  
day, to have them play in L.A., San Diego and Ventura. They deserve it! THANK YOU!*

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<http://cafe322.com/>

<http://sierracup.com>

<http://www.myspace.com/piratedive>

<http://www.coffeegallery.com/home.html>

<http://www.myspace.com/americanarootsla>