

Music News - Will Play For Food! By SierraMadreSue Behrens

Just a reminder to those on the e-mail list: although the listings below start with THIS Tuesday, when it gets edited for the newspaper, the listings start with Thurs. or Friday, the day the paper comes out. So don't be confused by the fact that this week's photo pertains to NEXT Tuesday 5/19, and not this Tuesday 5/12. Didn't want you to think I made a mistake!



Here I am singing the praises of MARY'S MARKET AND CANYON CAFE in Sierra Madre once again. Owners Carolyn & Jeff Dapper have made many improvements to make it as comfortable and inviting as possible, from fabulous new food items to central heating and air conditioning. And now that the weather has warmed up, the Tuesday night music has moved outside under the oak and sycamore trees. The sound travels nicely thru the canyon, and neighbors are enjoying it from their porches and balconies. Next Tuesday, May 19th, my old friend LEN MICHAEL (pictured here) plays the 7 to 9pm time slot, with acoustic rock faves like the

Beatles, Simon & Garfunkel, Jackson Browne, Neil Young and a whole lot more. Check out this great little music scene, *and don't forget to tip the musicians - they're playing for food!* See details below...

WELCOME BACK FROM VACATION - CAROLYN & JEFF @ MARY'S MARKET!

5/12 - "TAPAS TUESDAY" @ MARY'S MARKET & CANYON CAFE IN SIERRA MADRE CANYON with DAVE OSTI, performing original acoustic folk/blues/Americana music, 6 - 7pm and MARK, BURKE & BRAD, Rock versions on mandolin and acoustic guitar, 7 - 9pm. 561 Woodland Ave. 626-355-4534. Cozy venue, *YUMMY FOOD!*

"TUESDAY NIGHT TRIVIA" @ CAFE 322 with QUIZMASTER MIDGE, 7 OR 8pm??? \$2 per person to play, *CASH or gift certificates to the top 3 teams.* 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. *Midge told me the new earlier start time is as of 5/19, but Mario's website sez tonite - so CALL AHEAD!!!*

TUES. 5/12 - WRECK 'N' SOW @ THE PIKE IN LONG BEACH, 8pm - Midnight. 1836 E. 4th St. 562-437-4453. Fun Bluegrass stuff w/great harmonies & snazzy overalls! The Dupuy brothers, etc. <http://www.wrecknsow.com/index.htm>

WED. 5/13 - I'm having a job interview - *wish me luck!!!*

WED. 5/13 - aka MAX BUDA @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 8 - 11pm. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. No cover, full bar & great Italian food. *Eclectic jazzy rock stuff from Chester & the boys.*

WED. 5/13 - 3 FAT GUYS & SOME PUNKS @ KATIE JAKE'S IN COVINA, 9:15pm. Corner of Citrus & Workman. 626-967-2765. Full bar, no cover. Blues, Rock from Jimmy McGrew, Drake, Mike Leasure, Jamie Hunting and Gratz Arias. *Most Wednesdays.*
<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. 5/15 - BILLY PROULX & THE CREW @ THE COVINA FARMERS' MARKET, 5:30 - 8:30pm. Corner of Citrus and San Bernardino Rd. in Covina, near the Fret House. Blues & Classic Rock; *our pal Rick Henderson on Drums.*

FRI. 5/15 - 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. 5/15 - "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, Robert Gonzalez. *Acoustic Rock, Soul & Blues.*

FRI. 5/15 - MERCY & THE MERKETTES @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 9 - 11pm. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. Full bar & great Italian food (with live Jazz from 7-9pm.) No cover, DANCE FLOOR, packed house! R&B, Disco, Funk, Rock, Motown, etc.
mercyandthemerkettes.com

FRI. 5/15 - GROOVY LEMON PIE @ THE BUCCANEER LOUNGE IN SIERRA MADRE, 9:30pm. 70 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-355-9045. Full bar, no cover, cheap drinks! *Classic Rock from Greg Tortell, Gary Putman, Jorge Mena & Woody Smith.* www.myspace.com/glpie

SAT. 5/16 - 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. 5/16 - SIERRA MADRE ART FAIR IN MEMORIAL PARK, 9:30am - 6pm. Fine art, jewelry, crafts, etc. Food court and live music in the bandshell and on the south lawn. VIN FIZ FLYER, STRING PLANET, TOM CORBETT and more. *I'll be working in the Friends of the Library's home made bread booth from 3:30 - 5:30.*
http://www.sierramadrelibraryfriends.org/index.php?page=artfair_music

SAT. 5/16 - WRECK 'N' SOW @ ME-N-ED'S PIZZERIA IN LAKEWOOD, 6 - 10:30pm. 4115 Paramount Blvd. 562-421-8909. BLUEGRASS & Pizza - mmm mmm good!
<http://www.wrecknsow.com>

SAT. 5/16 - JO JO & THE BOXBOYS @ THE BUCCANEER LOUNGE IN SIERRA MADRE, 9pm. 70 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-355-9045. No cover, full bar, 21 & over. All-star band featuring members of The Boys, Better Than Blue, Horses on AstroTurf, Chico's Bail Bonds, The Subs, etc. - BUGGS, DANNY, JOE, KEITH and FELICIA..... *by the way, which one's Jo Jo?*

cancelled!!! SAT. 5/16 - MARTINI DIARIES featuring JEFF STETSON & friends @ COLOMBO'S.

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SUN. 5/17 - VIN FIZ FLYER, FUR DIXON & STEVE WERNER, TREMOLOCO, THE TUMBLING TUMBLEWEEDS and many, many more @ the 49th ANNUAL TOPANGA BANJO & FIDDLE CONTEST AND FOLK FESTIVAL. 9am - 6pm. Paramount Ranch in the Santa Monica Mountains. Admission prices range from \$8.50 to \$15 for various age groups and advance purchases. <http://www.topangabanjofiddle.org/index.html>

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SUN. 5/17 - 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.

SUN. 5/17 - the BARRY SCHWAM SHOW @ THE SIERRA MADRE PLAYHOUSE, 7pm. 87 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Reservations: 626-256-3809. *An evening of eclectic music and comedy from one of Sierra Madre's most colorful characters, and surprise guests!*

SUN. 5/17 - "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!*

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WED. 5/20 - "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. *Special guest Lisa Sanders from San Diego will share some of her acoustic soul.* 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. No cover, full bar, great Italian food. www.myspace.com/songsirens

WED. 5/20 - HELLO FROM RENO and THE EVANGENITALS @ THE OLD TOWNE PUB IN PASADENA, 9pm. Corner of Fair Oaks & Union, behind the Container Store - enter thru alley off of Holly Ave. 626-577-6583. *Not sure about the cover charge.* Pop, Rock.

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THURS. 5/21 - DAVID SERBY @ THE PIKE BAR IN LONG BEACH, 9pm. 1836 E. 4th St., one block west of Cherry. 562-437-4453. Full bar and dinner 'til late. Americana/Country. <http://www.davidserby.com/home.html>

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SAT. 5/23 - THE HUBCAPS @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 10pm. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. No cover, full bar & great Italian food (with Jazz during dinner.) 3 pc. Rock band with Keith from the Bottle Shop on bass. Lots of Neil Young, Who, Pink Floyd, etc. *I love these guys but I will be outta town... bummer.*

SUN. 5/24 - GRANT PARK SOFTBALL - ALL ARE WELCOME! NOT A LEAGUE - JUST FOR FUN & THE LOVE OF THE GAME! CORNER OF CORDOVA & MICHIGAN IN PASADENA, 3 BLOCKS WEST OF PCC. BATTING PRACTICE 12:30, GAME TIME ASAP. BRING YOUR GLOVE, BAT, CHAIR, ICE CHEST, GUITAR, UKULELE, ETC.

SUN. 5/24 - THE MERCY POWELL QUARTET @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 1:30 - 4:30pm. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd . 626-836-5414. Full bar and great Italian food. No cover, all ages. *Mercy, Josh, Marc & Peter Burke doin' some standards & jazzy stuff for your dining & listening pleasure!*

SUN. 5/24 - LIVE MUSIC and FREE FOOD @ THE OLD TOWNE PUB IN PASADENA, 3pm. Corner of Fair Oaks & Union, behind the Container Store - enter thru alley off of Holly Ave. 626-577-6583. *Produced by local character and Pub regular, Clayton.*

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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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<http://cafe322.com/>

<http://sierracup.com>

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

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

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