

# Denver JAZZ Club NEWS



## SPRING SWINGS INTO SUMMER

It has been a long winter, extending into early spring, but soon warmer weather will be here! The Denver Jazz Club is ready to celebrate with our May and June events. The UCD Claim Jumpers are on summer break, but will be back with us this fall.

On May 18 we will host the **Poudre River Irregulars**, and on June 8 come hear and dance to **Jeremy Mohny and his Band**.

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***Please note: Our June session will be held on June 8, the second Sunday of the month, to avoid conflict with Father's Day.***

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### Congratulations to the 2025 Ron Cope Scholarship Recipients



**Cecilia Blackford**, the banjo player in the Claim Jumpers Ensemble, is a third-year student at University of Colorado – Denver from Booneville, Indiana. Cecilia is in the singer/songwriter program at MEIS. In addition to singing, she plays guitar, bass and, most recently, banjo! Cecilia joined the Claim Jumper Ensemble in 2023 and has also performed with the Bluegrass Ensemble at the University.



**Kate Yungner** is a Music Business Major at the University of Colorado – Denver from Colorado Springs. She joined the Claim Jumpers Ensemble in 2023 and is the group's current pianist. Kate began playing guitar at the age of eight and continued her musical studies in musical theater and choir. Classically trained, Kate has been playing piano for six years and has recently studied jazz piano with Hank Troy, pianist with the Queen City Jazz Band.

Thank you all for participating in the annual Ron Cope Scholarship fundraiser, which benefits deserving young musicians to further their musical aspirations.



## Poudre River Irregulars

Sunday, May 18

The Poudre River Irregulars are a colorful jazz ensemble that plays New Orleans and Dixieland jazz, and they are noted for their exuberant energy and sound musicianship. Led by trombonist **Lenny Kellogg**, they include **Larry Lagerberg** and/or **Charlie Smith**, trumpet; **Clark Burnside**, clarinet; **Ray Leake**, piano; **Rory**

**Thomas**, banjo; **Alan Sparks**, bass; and **Oscar DeZoto**, drums. They play a wide variety of traditional jazz, from ragtime through the classics of the twenties and thirties up to early swing. Whatever they play, their music is always upbeat and joyful.

### Details:

- Denver Jazz Club, 2:00-5:00 PM Sunday, May 18
- Westminster Elks Club, 3850 Elk Drive
- Admission is \$10 for members of any jazz club, \$12 for non-members, age 12 and younger free.
- Cabaret-style seating, dance floor, cash bar.



## Jeremy Mohney and his Band

Sunday, June 8

With infectious energy, **Jeremy Mohney** and his Band, from Boulder and Denver, Colorado, create swing music with a feel that can't be reproduced by many alive, making him leader of one of Colorado's most popular swing bands today. Jeremy

faithfully plays the music of the 1920s, 30s and 40s with his own refreshing take, adding original music deeply rooted in the style. The band keeps crowds smiling and dancing all over the US in speakeasies, at swing dances and from festival stages alike.

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## Local Band Appearances

### After Midnight

[aftermidnightjazzband.com](http://aftermidnightjazzband.com)

- Saturday, June 14 7:00 PM – with Lannie Garrett -La Veta Mercantile, 300 S Main Street, La Veta, CO
- Saturday, June 21 3:00 PM – Niwot Jazz Festival, Cottonwood Square, Niwot

### Crystal Swing Band

[crystalswingband.com](http://crystalswingband.com)

- Tuesday, June 10 6:30 PM – Outdoors - Sandstone Ranch, 3001 Sandstone Dr., Longmont
- Sunday, June 22 7:00 PM – Big Band Dance - Nissi's, 1455 Coal Creek Dr., Lafayette

### Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra

[hottomatoes.com](http://hottomatoes.com)

- Sunday, May 25 8:00 PM – The Pearl (formerly Mercury Café), 2199 California St., Denver
- Saturday, June 14 9:00 PM – 1940s Ball, Boulder Airport, 3327 Airport Rd, Boulder

### Jeremy Mohney and his Band

[jeremymohney.com](http://jeremymohney.com)

- Monday, May 19 7:00 PM - Dazzle, 1080 14th Street, Denver
- Saturday, June 14 6:30 PM – 1940s Ball, Boulder Airport, 3327 Airport Rd, Boulder

### Poudre River Irregulars

[prijb.com](http://prijb.com)

- Every First Friday 4:00 PM – Avogadro's Number, 605 S. Mason, Ft. Collins

### Queen City Jazz Band

[queencityjazzband.com](http://queencityjazzband.com)

- Sundays, May 11, June 8 8:00 PM – The Pearl (formerly Mercury Café), 2199 California St., Denver
- Saturday, May 24 7:00 PM – Crown Hill Memorial Park, 7777 West 29th Ave, Wheat Ridge

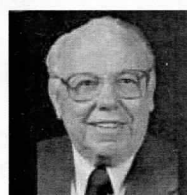
**Final Bar:** We note the passing of some members and friends of the Denver Jazz Club:



Joanne Bagg




Carol Brunett



Casey Hayes



Dean Peterson

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- Eric Staffeldt, 303-394-4552
- Nona Chamberlin, 303-237-4619
- John Sobott, 303-430-5606

## Other Jazz Clubs

### **Northern Colorado Traditional Jazz Society**

The Northern Colorado Traditional Jazz Society presents the **Poudre River Irregulars**, the first Friday of the month, at Avogadro's Number, 605 S. Mason St, Fort Collins. Performances begin at 4:00 PM. Admission is \$15 per person. It's advisable to make reservations on the website [avogadros.com](http://avogadros.com).

### **Boulder Friends of Jazz**

Boulder Friends of Jazz holds a jam session from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM every first Sunday at the Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe Road, in Boulder. Admission is \$8:00 for members, \$10.00 for non-members.

## **Volunteers needed!**

**We particularly need volunteers to work the door at the Elks Lodge on our meeting days!**

You'd spend an hour or so at the door, then join your friends at a table and enjoy the music.

If you would be interested in volunteering to do that or in another capacity, please contact any of the club officers and let them know your interests, skills and talents.

**There is also a vacancy on the Board of Directors. If you'd be interested in serving, please contact one of the current board members! And THANK YOU!**