



FEBRUARY, 2005

## SAGNELLA RESIGNS AS SECRETARY-TREASURER

### OCTOBER CAVALCADE ADDS NEW FUNDS

Cavalcade Chairman and Vice President Al DeAndrade has reported that the October Cavalcade has added \$5,339 to the union treasury.

Monies are used for the Health and Welfare Fund and the new Survivors Benefit Program.

The Local and Al DeAndrade thank all the musicians who participated. In the Ballroom, Ed Drew provided strolling musicians and the big bands were led by Art Medeiros and Dick Parent. Hank Doiron sang with the Strollers and Terri Giviens sang with the Dick Parent Orchestra.

The bands in the lobby were: The Nomads, Ed Drew's Dixieland Pops, Mike Renzi's Ensemble with Bonnie Mann on vocals, Bombay Jim and the Swingin' Sapphires, Bob and Jennifer Mainelli and The Holiday and the Tommy Terren Septet.

The MCs were Bill Pandozzi, Johnny Nardo, Rick 'Swing Daddy' Orcutt and Steve Bianchi. Working the door were Jan Marquez, Lydia Desjarlais, Donna Generoux, Lorraine Lisi, Elaine Baskins and Anna Trandicosta.

An appreciation dinner was given on Tuesday, November 9 for the participating musicians.

Bob Sagnella, the popular Secretary-Treasurer of the Local, has resigned to take up residence in Florida.

Sagnella was elected in November, 2003, when offices of Secretary and Treasurer were combined upon the retirements from office of Ed Skeffington and Bennie Pazienna. Sagnella had also previously served in those positions when they were independent offices under the tenure of Joe Conte.

### INSURANCE DROPPED; BENEFIT PROGRAM ADOPTED BY MEMBERS

The long-standing insurance program has been dropped and in its place the members have adopted a new benefit program.

Based on a resolution by Board Member John Worsley, the Benefit Program, approved by the By-Law Committee in September and at a General Meeting in October, provides \$1,000 to the beneficiaries after the death of any member in good standing. The program went into effect on December 1.

The By-Law Committee consists of Ella Leone, Agnooni Baligian, Manny Thetonia. It rewrote Article XVI of the by-laws to accommodate the changes.

An election for a new Secretary-Treasurer will be held in November, 2005. Until that time, President Artie Cabral has appointed member Clair Fancher to fill the position. Fancher has business background in finance and computers. Cabral is allowed under the by-laws to appoint persons to vacancies that become open in a period of less than one year before the election. The Executive Board approved Cabral's appointment.

Sagnella said that he might return to visit New England in some summer months, perhaps residing in Massachusetts.

## THE JOSEPH W. SILVEIRA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Mr. Silveira's lifelong passion was music. He learned to play the trombone as a young boy in school and was a member of his high school band.

Music gave him an opportunity to see the country. As a young man he played for a variety of bands and traveled to every state in the continental United States.

Through music, Mr. Silveira made friendships with other musicians that lasted a lifetime.

Music also played a role in his choice of mates. He met his wife, Carmella, at a dance hall. She loved to dance and listen to jazz.

He instilled the love of music in his children as well. He had a large record

collection and family time was spent listening and singing by the 'victrola.' As young children, all of his daughters sang and performed at social functions. Jane and Jean took guitar lessons. Jane studied piano while living in Florida and continued her studies at The Music School in Rhode Island. Linda was an avid singer and member of the church choir.

As a professional musician, Mr. Silveira played for hundreds of celebrities including Liberace, Wayne Newton, Diana Ross, Barry Manilow, Tom Jones, Jim Nabors, Johnny Carson, The Fifth Dimension, Gladys Knight and the Pips, Florence Henderson, Buddy Hackett and Sammy Davis Jr., to name a few. He also

played for various television productions, including the Miss U.S. A. Pageant.

With a strong desire to share his love of music, he taught many young boys and girls how to play the trombone and the trumpet as an instructor at both the Charles Bean Music Studio and the Ray Mullens Music Studio.

The Joseph W. Silveira Memorial Scholarship Fund will sponsor students who possess the same passion for music but need financial assistance to make their musical dreams come true. The fund will be administered by The Music School of the Rhode Island Philharmonic.

Call the Music School if you know a student who needs help.

# Executive Board Meeting Minutes

APRIL 6, 2004

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 10:08 a.m.

**Members Present:** Cabral, DeAndrade, Sagnella, Salzillo, Worsley

**Secretary's Report:** Accepted as read (March 2004) M/S Worsley/Salzillo

**Treasurers Report:** February 2004 Accepted as read by M/S/C Worsley/Salzillo March report tabled.

**Work Dues:** Report will be updated.

**Applications:** Felix Petit, Katherine Winterstein both dual members of Boston. Accepted M/S Worsley/Sagnella

**AFL/CIO Report:** Discussion concerning affiliation and membership. Cabral and Sagnella met with George Nee and discussed possible health coverage.

**New England Conference:** Discussion to host a NEC in Providence.

**Cavalcade of Bands:** Cabral suggests we have a committee to run the Cavalcade after this event May 25, 2004. A discussion ensued regarding using members as part of performing certain functions of the event. Tickets and money collection not using non-members in these positions. Salzillo suggests DeAndrade pick union people as part of the committee.

**Bands to perform at Cavalcade:** Hank Doiron (Strolling); Art Mederios; Drew Corcoran; Duke Belaire (Ballroom); Bombay Jim; Bill and Mary Andrews; Tom Rotondo (Ballroom)

**Life Member:** Leo Doire Accepted M/S/C DeAndrade/Salzillo

**Resignations:** Maureen Tauranto and Joe DiBaise Accepted

**Discussion:** John Worsley suggests that we search out CPA's. Concept will be presented by John.

**Insurance Discussion:** Salzillo suggests that we insure members 65 and older to receive benefits. Not all members to receive benefits. Worsley suggests that we review benefits yearly.

**Special Olympics:** Donation of \$100.00 was made to the Special Olympics.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

MAY 4, 2004

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 10:03 a.m.

**Members Present:** Cabral, DeAndrade, Salzillo, Worsley; **Absent:** Sagnella

**Secretary/Treasurer Report** Both reports were tabled due to absence of Secretary/Treasurer

**Discussion:** Paw Sox game and playing of RI Philharmonic to be televised on July 12, 2004. Half hour show on Channel 10. Cox will televise the whole game. AFM says players have to be paid if show is seen outside jurisdiction. Paws Sox may pay.

**Festival Ballet:** Agreement being negotiated

**Trinity Rep:** "West Side Story" no union players. Trying to get an agreement.

**Donation:** Made to Cranston Police.

**Newport Musicians Fund Raiser:** May 19, 2004, 5:30 p.m. at Christies. Two tickets purchased.

**Ralph Stuarde Fund:** Waiting for court date to settle musicians claims.

**Alan Feinstein:** DeAndrade trying to get donation. He said call in October Providence Central Labor Council: Dwindling attendance. Twenty-three people attended. Paul McDonald discouraged. DeAndrade thinks 5:00 p.m. not a good time for meeting. Remembers when 100 people attended.

**Parades in MPTF:** Cabral says we have little money. Will do Arnold's Mills. MPF wants schools and hospitals.

**Cavalcade:** on May 25, 2004. DeAndrade

**Fanfare:** Worsley hopes to mail end of May

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

JUNE 9, 2004

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 10:02 a.m.

**Members Present:** Cabral, DeAndrade, Sagnella, Salzillo, Worsley

**Secretary's Report:** May report was tabled. April report was accepted motion by Worsley seconded by Salzillo.

**Treasurers Report:** March and April reports were accepted. M/S/C

**Work Dues:** Tabled.

**Life Members:** Board accepted John Scotti unanimously as a Life Member.

**Committee Report:** Al DeAndrade said a final report is forthcoming. His preliminary report estimates that we had 200 sales at the door, 600 advance sales. His approximate total of monies is around \$8,000.00.

**Insurance:** We were notified by the Insurance Co. that they recalculated our policy and had a reduction as follows: **LIFE**

**MEMBER:** Current Rate: \$1.98/\$1,000 New Rate: \$1.49/\$1,000. **ACCIDENTAL DEATH:** Current Rate: \$.07/\$1,000 New Rate: \$.04/\$1,000. This applies to Life Members only.

**RIPO:** Pres. Cabral named the members of the Orchestra Committee.

**General Discussions:** Worsley spoke on looking for a new company to do the mailing and printing of the Fanfare. Sagnella made mention of getting a new accounting program for the computer to minimize the work. (To be discussed at next meeting) The board discussed the possibilities of forming a Cavalcade Committee and also the possibility of having a Golf Tournament soon.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

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# **Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

**JULY 6, 2004**

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 12:17 p.m.

**Members Present:** Cabral, DeAndrade, Sagnella, Salzillo, Worsley

**Secretary's Report:** May 4th report was read and accepted. June 9, 2004 report was accepted. Motion by Worsley; seconded by Salzillo.

**Treasurers Report:** Tabled

**Discussion:** R.I.P.O. will be paid for their performance at the Paw Sox.

**Cavalcade of Bands:** Al DeAndrade reported on receipts and disbursements. M/S/C Sagnella/Worsley. Suggestion: Worsley suggested that we feature instrumentalists and bands as opposed to featured vocalists. President Cabral suggested not having certain vocalists appear at the next Cavalcade.

**Resignation:** Gabe Evens has resigned as of July 31, 2004.

**General Discussion:** A suggestion was made to produce a letter to the membership regarding union and non-union members playing together and/or union members hiring non-union musicians.

**Office Adjustments:** Worsley suggested that we make some adjustments in the operation of the office. He also suggested we look at some accounting programs to assist the Treasurer in his everyday duties. Al DeAndrade discussed putting aside monies to have available for emergencies. These monies would be in an interest paying account.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

**AUGUST 10, 2004**

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m.

**Members Present:** Cabral, DeAndrade, Sagnella, Salzillo, Worsley

**Secretary's Report:** Report of July 6, 2004 was read. A motion by Worsley; seconded by Salzillo. Motion accepted.

**Treasurers Report:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Reports were read and accepted. May, June and July monthly reports were read and accepted.

**Work Dues:** Travel Work Dues for the first half of the year was \$2,294.00.

**Discussion:** The By-Law Committee will be notified to recommend passage and/or rejection of the resolutions presented at the General Meeting on August 3, 2004. After the By-Law Committee meets there will be a General Meeting to act on the Resolutions.

**Negotiations:** Ralph Stuart's lawyers and the Local's lawyers are still in negotiations.

**Golf Tournament:** Al DeAndrade and John Worsley will be looking into developing a tournament in an effort to involve more people to play or to incorporate the Local to foresee a monetary profit. This project will be adopted at a future date for the year 2005 season.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

**SEPTEMBER 7, 2004**

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 10:50 a.m.

**Members Present:** Cabral, DeAndrade, Sagnella, Salzillo; **Excused:** Worsley

**Secretary's Report:** The Secretary's report for August, 2004 was read. A motion by DeAndrade seconded by Salzillo. Motion accepted.

**Treasurers Report:** The August report was read. Motion by Salzillo and seconded by DeAndrade. Motion Accepted

**Discussion:** The By-Laws Committee will be notified to recommend passage and/or rejection of the resolutions presented at the General Meeting on August 3, 2004. Manny Thetonia is calling a meeting to review By-Laws.

**Fall River Local #216:** Is hosting their Ball Room Bands night at White's on Sept 22, 2004, we are buying four tickets. Motion made by DeAndrade; seconded by Sagnella.

**The Joseph W. Silveira Fund:** Will be administered by The Music School of the RI Philharmonic (details are in our office).

**LCC Report:** We received a copy of the report

**Paul Phillips:** Will be sending a letter to this local regarding the estate of the late Ralph Stuart.

**October Calvacade:** A brief discussion ensued regarding the October Cavalcade. DeAndrade is putting the bands together with all specifics.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

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