

JUNE-JULY, 2010



The Providence Federation of Musicians

CAVALCADE DRAWS LARGEST CROWD IN YEARS

The spring edition of the *Cavalcade of Bands*, held at Rhodeson-the-Pawtuxet on May 25, proved to be one of the largest such events in recent memory.

A gorgeous summer-like evening with warm weather encour-



Vocalist Terri Giviens entertains at the Cavalcade of Bands, accompanied by Dennis Pratt, bass, Joe Parillo, piano and Joe Holtzman (not shown), drums.

aged many patrons to attend.

Estimates of crowd size, including paid admissions plus band members, volunteers and guests, were well over 1,000 people.

"This may have been the bestattended Cavalcade since May, 2006," observed Cavalcade Chairman Al DeAndrade.

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Pension Enters "Red Zone" Collective Bargaining Agreements Affected

The AFM Employers' Pension Fund (AFM-EPF) has been formally certified to be in "Critical" status — also known as the "Red Zone." The certification was made by the plan's actuary on April 10.

The designation is a result of the Pension Reform Act of 2006, which imposes strict new requirements on multi-employer pension funds like the AFM-EPF and requires those funds to be re-certified each year by an actuary.

The significance of entering critical status is that the Fund's Board of Directors is required by law to adopt a rehabilitation plan designed to improve the Fund's financial health and to allow it to emerge from critical status.

• Change in Employer Contributions

One of the first effects of the rehabilitation plan is a requirement for employers, those with whom the Local has a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), to increase the pension contribution by an additional 4% of the current contribution rate (not 4% of scale wages), starting June 1. On April 1, 2011, the surcharge on contributions will rise to 9% — again 9% of the contribution rate, not 9% of wages.

One major employer, the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra, has already complied with the new contribution requirement. The Local anticipates that other employers will follow suit as the deadline for performances draws near.

Since the additional contribution is required by law, employers must comply. When an employer makes the new contribution, musicians will receive credit for the additional amount paid. If an employer balks, the employer is assessed a penalty, and the musicians do not receive credit for any additional contribution.

• Change in Future Accruals

After last year's debacle in the stock market, the Board of Directors anticipated the need for a rehabilitation plan. They instituted a change in the "Benefit Multiplier", the amount by which contributions are multiplied to compute the monthly benefit.

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Baseball Outing

The Local would like to hold a summer outing for members and guests. Under consideration is a barbeque at a Pawtucket Red Sox game, in the tent near first base.

The outing would include game tickets (naturally) and a barbeque with burgers and franks, not to mention a fieldlevel view of the game. The cost would be \$26.00 per person. The Pawsox require a minimum of 75 persons. If you would be interested, please contact Vice-President Al DeAndrade.

Musicians Dinner

VP DeAndrade is planning a "musicians dinner" for any and all members in late June or early July. If you would like to attend, please contact Al DeAndrade.

Golf Tournament

The annual Golf Tournament is scheduled for Monday, August 30 at Mantaup Country Club in Portsmouth. Contact the office for tickets and information.

AFM LAUNCHES VIDEO SERIES Performance Rights Sought

AFM President Tom Lee has announced a series of videos produced by the AFM, to highlight the need for performance rights legislation.

Currently, musicians receive no royalties from performance of their recordings on AM/FM radio. The AFM is actively seeking to change the situation, with legislation now pending before congress.

Viewers can watch the new videos at the AFM's website: http://www.afm.org. Look for the heading "AFM Featured Videos" and click on "watch." The videos are also available on You-Tube, although the viewer must first search on the keywords "American Federation of Musicians."

Members and non-members alike are urged to sign an online petition at:

http://www.afm.org/ performancerights

RIC to Hold Summer Music Institute for High School Students

Rhode Island College is offering a one-week summer music program for qualified high school students.

The "Music Institute at Rhode Island College" (MIRIC) is a week long, intensive musical honors camp open to wind, percussion and voice students entering ninth grade through graduating seniors.

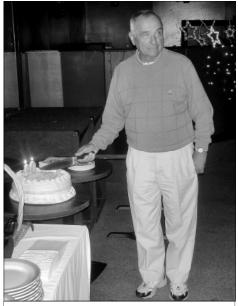
Daily rehearsals in chamber groups and full ensembles will be supplemented with classroom music offerings, master classes, faculty recitals and guest performances.

The week culminates in a public performance by all student ensembles on the stage of Sapinsley Hall in the Nazarian Center for the Performing Arts at Rhode Island College.

The Institute runs July 11 through July 17. For further information, visit the Institute's website at http://www.ric.edu/ miric.

Bandleader Medeiros Celebrates 90th Birthday

Bandleader Art Medeiros was the guest of honor at a 90th birthday party held for him at Sebastian's Restaurant in Johnston, R.I., on May 10.



Art Medeiros cuts a special "crème" cake at his 90th birthday party on May 10.

About thirty members of the Local, many from Art's big band, attended the party.

Looking "fit as a fiddle," Art entertained the guests with stories and memoirs of his 75 years in the music business, plus anecdotes about his favorite pastime — golf.

Vice-President and event organizer Al DeAndrade paid tribute to Art's many years of service in the Local, to the employment he has provided to musicians over his long career and to his dedication to the union cause.

All in attendance signed the several birthday cards which were circulated. A special sign was made to honor the nonagerian.

On behalf of all the guests, DeAndrade presented Art with a box of golf balls for his summer enjoyment.

Minutes of General Membership Meeting

Held on February 9, 2010

(Approved at Meeting of May 4, 2010)

• Call to Order: 7:02 P.M.

Roll-Call:

Present: President Artie Cabral; Vice-President Al DeAndrade; Secretary-Treasurer Ed Plunkett; Executive Board Member Richard Salzillo; Executive Board Member John Worsley.

Attendance

Sixteen (16) members present, constituting a quorum.

• In Memoriam

Carl S. King, Jr. Arthur Marco, Jr. Alessio Calleri (Resigned Member)

Secretary's Report

 Minutes of December 1, 2009 Meeting S/T Ed Plunkett provides copies of the minutes of the previous General Membership Meeting held on December 1, 2009. Board Member John Worsley moves to accept the minutes. Board Member Richard Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Newport Transfer Members – S/T reports that, to date, twenty of the fifty eligible members of the former Newport Local have joined the Providence Local.

• Treasurer's Report

S/T Plunkett provides the complete 2009 Profit and Loss statement for the Local. He points out that the net profit for 2009 was \$782.71, as opposed to the surplus of \$6,081.04 that was projected in the 2009 budget. He also notes that the budget surplus was based on holding two *Cavalcade* fundraising events, when in fact three *Cavalcades* were held in 2009.

S/T explains that if the fundraising events are excluded from the financial report, then the Local actually had a net operating loss for 2009 of \$22,399.91 He emphasizes that the Local can not survive with such a devastating operating loss.

There is a general discussion of the Local's finances, and of the withdrawn resolution which would have raised membership dues for Life members. Brother Hank Doiron guestions S/T about some of the expenses in the P&L statement. A number of members express the opinion that the dues increase would have penalized Life members unfairly. VP DeAndrade notes that the disparity between the dues of Life members and regular members is too great in view of the operating cost of the Local, which in 2009 averaged \$262.55 per member.

EBM Worsley moves to accept the Treasurer's Report. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Committee Reports

• Finance Committee

Chairman **Sandy Gorodetsky** reports that the Finance Committee has examined the financial documents of the Local and found no irregularities in the financial statements. He also mentions that the committee dearly misses the assistance of our late brother **Richard** **McGuinn**, who, as a professional accountant, was a tremendous asset in reviewing the Local's books.

Chairman Gorodestsky recommends that President Cabral appoint an ad hoc committee to study ways to cut the Local's expenses.

Old Business

• Voting on Resolutions

Resolution No. 1 -- EBM Worsley moves to approve resolution number 1, as published in the January 2010 *Fanfare*, which eliminates the requirement for delegates to the Pawtucket Central Labor Council, an organization which is now defunct. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously and the resolution is **approved**.

Resolution No. 2 – EBM Worsley moves to approve resolution number 2, as published in the January 2010 *Fanfare*, which inserts the words "in good standing" into Schedule V, Class C, Paragraph 2, Line (v) of the PFM Wage Scale. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously and the resolution is **approved**.

Resolution No 3 – As published in the January 2010 *Fanfare*, would raise the annual dues for life members by \$15 per year for the next three consecutive years. **Withdrawn** by President Cabral.

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General Membership Meeting Minutes (Continued)

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New Business

Introduction of New Resolutions

S/T reads three new resolutions, to be voted on at the next general meeting

A Resolution to change the PFM by-laws to incorporate the territories of the former Newport Local

A resolution to change the requirements for Life membership to age 72.

A resolution to cut the Local's expenses by NOT sending delegates to the New England Conference, the AFM Convention and the ICSOM Conference, and by NOT holding a Cavalcade Dinner and a Christmas party.

New Committee

Brother **Duke Belaire** reiterates Brother Gorodetsky's earlier suggestion to establish a committee to study ways to cut expenses and decide what costs have to be maintained. Brother Belaire moves to have President Cabral appoint a committee to study ways to cut the local's expenses. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Benefit for Haiti

Brother **Arthur Medeiros** asks if members of the Local will be willing to run a fund-raising dance to benefit the victims of the recent earthquake in Haiti. He proposes that the event be held in association with the Providence Central Federated Council and believes that such an event would give the Local a lot of positive publicity and visibility in the Rhode Island area. There is no response from the floor.

Good and Welfare

Brother Doiron inquires about Health & Welfare dues payments recently made for two members. VP DeAndrade explains the personal circumstances for each of the recipients.

Brother **Alex Mansour** asks if financial assistance above and beyond dues payments is available for members. Brother Mansour moves not to publish the names of Health & Welfare recipients in the minutes of the Executive Board. The motion fails for lack of a second.

Brother Gorodetsky asks about a "grant" process for Health & Welfare assistance, which he believes may exist in the by-laws.

Brother Belaire inquires about the Lester Petrillo fund, which is administered by the AFM in New York.

Adjournment

EBM Worsley moves to adjourn. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.



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Executive Board Minutes

February 18, 2010

 Call to Order: 11:00 A.M. Roll-Call President Artie Present: Cabral; Vice-President Al DeAndrade; Secretary-Treasurer Ed Plunkett; Executive Board Member Richard Salzillo: Executive Board Member John Worsley. Secretary's Report January 13, 2009 Minutes EBM Worsley moves to accept the minutes of the January 13 Executive Board Meeting. VP seconds. The motion to accept the minutes carries. New Membership Applications Aline Benoit Clarinet, Eb Clarinet, Bassset Horn Paul Cienniwa Harpsichord, Organ, Continuo Pamela Lowell Cello **Robert Meyer** Cello **Eleanor Mullaney** Piano, Keyboard **Russell Wilson** Viola. Violin TRANSFER MEMBERS FROM NEW-PORT – LIFE MEMBERS **Oliver Mortrude** Piano, Organ, Accordion, Keyboard Sylvia Stoun Mureddu Piano, Vocalist

• TRANSFER MEMBERS FROM NEW-PORT – REGULAR MEMBERS

Samuel Breene Violin Alyce Croasdale Viola Stephen DeConti Electric Guitar. Acoustic Guitar, Flute, Vocalist **Charles "Scott" Free** Guitar, Electric Guitar, Classical Guitar, Piano, Electric Bass. Vocalist **Dennis Jansson** Trombone, Steel Drums, Bass Guitar, Arranger/Composer, Copvist John Moitoza Tuba. Contractor Albert Naar Drums, Electric Bass Meghan O'Connor Violin Jean Packard-Mabuchi Piano, Vocalist Nancy Paolino-Chrupcala Vocalist **Elizabeth Pedro Electric Bass** Electric Guitar John Rodway Tenor Saxophone, Clarinet, Conductor Craig Shadday Trumpet John Sippell Electric Bass, Keyboard, Vocalist, Acoustic Guitar. Electric Guitar Lois Vaughan Piano, Electric Piano, Keyboard, Organ, Leader, Contractor Thomas Vollaro Trumpet, Flugelhorn,

Saul Woythaler

Bassoon, Clarinet, Contra-Bassoon

Susan Woythaler Flute, Piccolo, Alto Flute, Recorder

George E. Zecher, Jr. Drums, Percussion, Steel Drums, Trombone, Contractor

RESIGNATIONS

John Haidemenos, Jr. Jennifer Memoli Philip Mullen Harris Shilakowsky Beverly-Ann Simcock Mark Worgaftik

• DEATHS Arthur Marco, Jr.

 REINSTATEMENTS Stephen LeFebvre Robert Mainelli

- HEALTH & WELFARE APPLICATIONS Richard DiPalma Julio Gionti Brian Mullaney
- CONTRACTS The Guess Who Twin River, January 29

• CURRENT MEMBERSHIP Life: 114 Regular: 285 Total: 399

EBM Worsley moves to accept the membership applications of all new members, including the transfer members from the former Newport Local. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

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Piano

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VP moves to pay two quarters of membership dues of for all three applicants from the Health & Welfare Fund. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

• Treasurer's Reports

• Financial Statements

S/T presents the financial statements for the month of January, 2010. EBM Worsley moves to accept the Treasurer's Report. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Communications

Ronald McDonald House

Pres presents a request for a donation to the Providence Ronald McDonald House. EBM Worsley moves to donate twentyfive dollars (\$25.00) to the Ronald McDonald House. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Convention Program

S/T presents a solicitation from the Las Vegas Local to place an ad in the program booklet for the national convention in June. The Board declines.

Joseph Holtzman

S/T reads a letter from Brother **Joseph Holtzman**, in which he disputes comments made by EBM Salzillo at the December EB meeting regarding a recent engagement which Brother Holtzman played at the Warwick Mall with a non-union musician. In the letter Holtzman explains that the performance was for a religious celebration. EBM Salzillo states that he spoke personally with Brother Holtzman and informed him that in the future he simply needs to advise the Board in advance of any such engagements.

Ättorney Paul Phillips

S/T reads a letter from attorney Paul Phillips, advising the Board that he is terminating his services to the Local.

- Committee Reports
 None
- Old Business
- Committee Vacancies VP asks Pres if he has found

tance from the Health & Welfare Fund.

• Tabbing Machine

S/T presents a quote from Blackstone Valley Office Systems for a tabbing machine to be used for mailing flyers for the *Cavalcade of Bands*. The quoted price is \$2,750.00. There is a discussion of the onerous task of tabbing the flyers, as required by U.S. Postal regulations. S/T recounts that last year it took three people over four days to tab all the flyers. After further

> discussion the Board agrees that the machine is necessary for the success of the Cavalcade. VP moves to purchase the tabbing machine, with the cost to be paid from Cavalcade funds. not from the General Fund. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Bill Custer congratulates Art Medeiros on his 90th birthday during Art's party on May 10.

anyone to fill the vacancy on the Finance Committee and whether he has appointed anyone to the ad hoc committee created at the membership meeting on February 9. Pres indicates that he has at least three people under consideration, but has not formally asked any of them to serve yet.

New Business

Joseph Pompei

Pres reports a request from Brother Joseph Pompei for assisDues Increase

EBM Worsley discusses the resolution to raise dues for life members, which was withdrawn at the General Meeting on February 9. He feels that it was a mistake to ask for three consecutive increases. Had there been a single increase in the resolution, he feels it probably would have passed. However, he feels that it is necessary to get the life members to support some modified form of the pro-

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posal in order to get it passed. He expresses concern that there is likely to be a financial crisis sometime during the fiscal year. Regrettably, that may have to be the time to re-examine the dues increase.

New Resolutions

EBM Worsley asks S/T about the resolutions he introduced at the General Meeting on February 9 and how serious he is about them. S/T responds that he will withdraw the resolution to cancel all travel to conferences. However, the proposal to raise the minimum age for life membership is important to the financial security of the Local and he will ask for a vote on that resolution at the next General Meeting.

Death Benefit Resolution

EBM Worsley reminds Board that, at the January 13 EB meeting, he made a motion to introduce a resolution to eliminate the Survivor's Benefit and that resolution was not introduced at the February 9 meet-He wants the resolution ing. introduced at the next General Membership meeting, because he wants to put the question to rest one way or the other and end further discussions about it. He feels that the older members appreciate the Survivor's Benefit and they should have the option of keeping it or eliminating it.

• "Inactive" life membership

There is a discussion of creating an "Inactive" life membership category, as permitted by the AFM by-laws. However, the new category would have little or no impact on the Local's financial situation and "Inactive" members would not be eligible to vote at any meetings or in any elections. • Office Procedures Manual

Pres explains that he is very concerned about having some type of backup for the office, in the event that the S/T is not available. There is no one trained to carry out the basic accounting and record-keeping functions in the office. EBM Worsley moves that by August 1 the S/T shall create an Office Procedures Manual with step-bystep instructions for carrying out the various functions in the office. He further moves that some of the duties in the office be assigned to Executive Assistant Robert Juliano and be clearly written out. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries.

• Next Meeting(s)

Next regular Executive Board Meeting on Thursday, March 18 at 11:00 A.M.

Next General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, April 20, at 7:00 P.M.

Adjournment

EBM Worsley moves to adjourn. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries. Meeting adjourns at 12:30 P.M.



March 18, 2010

Call to Order:

10:55 A.M.

Roll-Call:

Present: President **Artie Cabral**; Vice-President **Al DeAndrade**; Secretary-Treasurer **Ed Plunkett**; Executive Board Member **Richard Salzillo**; Executive Board Member **John Worsley**.

Secretary's Report

• February 18, 2010 Minutes

EBM Worsley moves to accept the minutes of the February 18 Executive Board Meeting. EBM Salzillo seconds. The motion to accept the minutes carries.

 TRANSFER MEMBERS FROM NEW-PORT – LIFE MEMBERS

Ronald Molleur Drums

- TRANSFER MEMBERS FROM NEW-PORT – REGULAR MEMBERS
 - Michael Barclay De Tolley Acoustic Guitar, Arranger/Composer

Alan Bernstein

String Bass, Electric Bass **Dawn Chung** Piano

John "Jack" Martin

Bb Trumpet, C Trumpet, D Trumpet, Eb Trumpet, Piccolo Trumpet, Flugelhorn, Conductor, Arranger/Composer, Leader

Edward Massa

Drums, Percussion, Vocalist, Contractor

David Zinno

String Bass

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- RESIGNATIONS
 Joseph Rainville
- DEATHS Edward Zaretsky
- RESINSTATEMENTS None
- HEALTH & WELFARE APPLICATIONS
 John Wood
- CONTRACTS
 Third Eye Blind
 Lupo's, April 20
- CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Life:	113
Regular:	291
Total:	404

VP moves to pay two quarters of membership dues for Brother **John Wood** from the Health & Welfare Fund. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

• Treasurer's Reports

• Financial Statements

S/T presents the financial statements for the month of February, 2010. EBM Salzillo asks if any work dues have been received from the acts performing at the newly-renovated Park Cinema in Cranston. S/T says no. Pres says he will check with some of the booking agents to try to get them to file contracts.

Treasurer's Business Items

Bill Payment Approvals (Requested) Rosemary Marco \$1,000.00 (Survivor's Benefit – Arthur Marco) Purchase Authorization (Requested) Computer Server (Estimated Cost \$1,200.00)

VP moves to pay the Survivor's Benefit to Rosemary Marco, beneficiary of Arthur Marco, Jr. EBM Salzillo seconds



Joe Reis and his wife Gloria at the 90th birthday party for Art Medeiros.

the motion. The motion carries.

S/T explains that the Local will need a new computer server during the year and that he is seeking advance authorization in order to be able to move quickly and take advantage of any computer sales. EBM Salzillo moves to authorize purchase of a computer server. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries.

• Communications None

Committee Reports

• New England Conference

Brother **Arthur Medeiros** appears before the Board to report on the New England Conference of AFM Locals, which took place in Holyoke, Massachusetts on March 12 through 14.

Brother Medeiros and VP **A1 DeAndrade** represented Local 198-457 as delegates to the conference.

The Executive Board of the Conference met on Friday evening. March 12. Conference President **Richard** Melikian (Local 171) presided, with International Secretary-Treasurer Sam Folio in attendance. Folio spoke about the MPTF and mentioned that MPTF Trustee John Hall has asked the AFM to put some money into the fund. Folio also spoke about the AFM-EP pension fund and its current difficulties. Delegate Medeiros raised the issue of some musicians switching to a Local where they do not live. Folio stated that they must follow the AFM by-laws, which require them to belong to the Local where they reside.

During the regular session on Saturday, March 13, International President **Tom Lee**:

Expressed surprise that there are only seventeen resolutions to bring before the International Convention in June. Usually, he noted, there are about 60. One resolution would sever the connection between the U.S and Canadian branches of the AFM. However, that resolution is likely to be withdrawn.

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Cavalcade of Bands

May 25, 2010



The "Dixie Pops" – Dick Whaley, trombone, Bob Kettell, drums, Mike Marra, trumpet, Joe Pompei, clarinet, Nat Piccirilli, banjo.



The Ed Saccoccia Group featured John Ragosta, drums, John Curzio, bass, Ted Casher, sax, George Masso, trombone and Ed Saccoccia, accordion.



The Nomads – Ted Casher, sax, Joe Holtzman, drums, Lou Baccari, accordion, Dennis Pratt, bass.



Ed Saccoccia pumps it out for the enthusiastic crowd.



Dancers fill the floor in the foyer of Rhodes.



Bob Mainelli, Will Mahoney and friend Grace.



Greg Wardson sizzles with the John Badessa Big Band.





Bob Mainelli fronted the John Badessa Big Band



John Badessa, drums, and his Big Band were making their first appearance at a Cavalcade.



Dick Parent, Carl Hosbond and Larry Perlman take a break at intermission.



Rhoda Worsley, emcee Steve Bianchi, Board Member John Worsley and Cavalcade Chairman Al DeAndrade.



Terri Giviens (center) performs with her vocal trio, "Lyrics and Lace", featuring Elaine Sullivan (left) and Jeannie Evans (right).



The Ray Edwards Group had Al DeAndrade, trumpet, Artie Cabral, drums, Ray Edwards, vocals, Paul DelNero, bass, and Mike Renzi, piano.



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Announced that the AFM currently has nine million dollars in its strike fund.

Stated that two congressmen, representatives **Earl Pomeroy** (D-ND) and **Pat Tiberi** (R-OH), will introduce legislation to stabilize funding for multi-employer pension funds like the AFM-EPF.

The delegates discussed the problem of some Locals not attending the Conference due to lack of funds in this poor economy. In all, 30 Local representatives attended, as well as 26 guests from other Locals around the country.

Conference Treasurer **David Moorehead** (Local 285-403) raised the issue of a budget shortfall for the Conference, caused by the merger of several New England Locals, resulting in fewer Locals paying the cost of the Conference. A resolution was introduced to raise the dues for Locals, based on a sliding scale. (For Local 198-457, the annual dues would increase from \$55.00 to \$125.00.)

During discussion it was noted that according to AFM bylaws, if a Local sends only one delegate to the International Convention, it is still entitled to its full complement of votes. For example, if a Local which is entitled to three votes sends only one delegate, that delegate still casts all three votes on behalf of the Local.

Larchmont, N.Y., delegate **Quentin Solano** (Local 38-398) nominated Brother Medeiros for the office of Conference Vice-President and Medeiros was elected by acclamation.

Cavalcade of Bands

VP announces that the Spring *Cavalcade of Bands* will be held on Tuesday, May 25, at Rhodeson-the-Pawtuxet in Cranston. The bands for the evening are: **Ballroom**

Steve Bianchi, emcee Hank Doiron Strollers Tom Rotondo Group

Art Medeiros Big Band, with Hank Doiron and **Terri Giviens**, vocals

John Badessa Big Band, with Bob Mainelli, vocals Foyer

Bill Melone and Larry Perlman, emcees

Ed Drew and the Dixie Land Pops

The **Pat Mitchell** Band, with **Mike Renzi**, piano

The Nomads

The **Nicholas King** group, with **Angela Baccari**, vocals, and Mike Renzi, piano

The **Ray Edwards** Group, with **Jan Marquez**, vocals

Golf Committee

VP plans to call the committee together soon in order to get an early start on planning the 2010 Golf Tournament. The tournament will be held on Monday, August 30, at Montaup Country Club in Portsmouth.

• Summer Dance

VP asks the Board whether he should plan a summer dance at Rhodes, perhaps in August. The Board responds affirmatively.

Old Business

Committee Vacancies
 Pres announces that Brother

 John Curzio has agreed to fill

the vacancy on the Finance Committee. Also, Pres has appointed the members of the ad hoc committee to study the Local's finances. They are: Brother **Duke Belaire**, Brother **Hank Doiron**, Brother **Art Medeiros** and Sister **Terri Giviens**.

• New Business

Non-Union Bands

VP states that he recently received a bulletin from the American Federation of Teachers, of which he is a member. A photograph in the bulletin shows a non-union band performing at an AFT function. VP says he wants to investigate the situation with the AFT further. Pres says that some non-union bands may be interested in joining because of the AFM pension. There is a discussion of setting up a meeting with non-union players to talk about the AFM pension.

Concert Discounts

Pres explains the discounts for concert tickets which he has been able to get for Local members recently. There is a discussion of extending the discounts to members of any union in the state.

• Next Meeting(s)

Next regular Executive Board Meeting on Thursday, April 29 at 10:00 A.M.

Next General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, May 4, at 7:00 P.M.

Adjournment

EBM Salzillo moves to adjourn. EBM Worsley seconds the motion. The motion carries. Meeting adjourns at 12:20 P.M.

April 9, 2010

- Call to Order: 11:01 A.M.
- Roll-Call

Present: President **Artie Cabral**; Vice-President **Al DeAndrade**; Secretary-Treasurer **Ed Plunkett**; Executive Board Member **Richard Salzillo**; Executive Board Member **John Worsley**.

• Secretary's Report

 March 18, 2010 Minutes EBM Salzillo moves to accept the minutes of the February 18 Executive Board Meeting. EBM Worsley seconds. The motion to accept the minutes carries.

Dennis Costa

Acoustic Guitar, Electric Guitar **Peter Davis** Bassoon. Acoustic Guitar, Electric Guitar. Tenor Saxophone, Conductor, Arranger Rebecca Johnson Violin **Richard Price** Trumpet, Flugelhorn, Vocalist John "Curt" Ramm Trumpet, Flugelhorn, Keyboard **Ronald Sanfilippo**

Piano, Vocalist



Lee Bernardo and Dan Ferreira, the drummer and lead trumpeter, respectively, of Art Medieros' big band, were at the tribute to Art on May 10.

 TRANSFER MEMBERS FROM NEW-PORT – REGULAR MEMBERS

Gregg Charest Drums, Percussion Michael Coffey Drums, Percussion

- APPLICATIONS FOR LIFE MEMBER-SHIP Sheryl Cohen
- RESIGNATIONS
 Eli Epstein

- SUSPENDED

 William Andrews
 Melissa Carter
 Kirk Feather
 Ronald Fournier
 Buddy George
 John Gomes
 Daniel Hann
 Abigail Karr
 Paul Rosenbloom
 Alexey Shabalin
- EXPELLED Gordon Davignon Alexander Romanul
- REINSTATEMENTS
 Charles Holland
 Mark Pinto
- HEALTH & WELFARE APPLICATIONS
 John Wood
- CONTRACTS

George Thorogood & the Destroyers

> Newport Yachting Center, July 30

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Life:	114
Regular:	289
Total:	403

EBM Salzillo moves to approve the Life Membership application of Sheryl Cohen. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Treasurer's Reports

• Financial Statements

S/T presents the financial statements for the month of March, 2010, and the Profit & Loss statement for the first quarter of 2010.

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1st Quarter (Jan.- March) Financial Statements, 2010

Profit and Loss Statement (Unaudited)

	Jan 10	Feb 10	Mar 10	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Investments				
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	81.32	79.80	93.11	254.23
Total Investments	81.32	79.80	93.11	254.23
Program Income				
Initiation Fees				
Federation Initiation Fees	130.00	130.00	65.00	325.00
Local Initiation Fees	300.00	200.00	0.00	500.00
Total Initiation Fees	430.00	330.00	65.00	825.00
Membership Dues				
Dues	17,009.00	7,164.00	4,949.49	29,122.49
Late Fees	120.00	197.50	185.00	502.50
Reinstatement Fees	0.00	20.00	10.00	30.00
Total Membership Dues	17,129.00	7,381.50	5,144.49	29,654.99
Work Dues				
Casual Work Dues	612.50	614.15	307.80	1,534.45
MPTF Work Dues	0.00	211.27	18.69	229.96
PPAC Work Dues	1,235.35	907.05	139.90	2,282.30
RI Philharmonic Work Dues	334.20	1,397.32	1,353.84	3,085.36
Traveling Work Dues	0.00	31.20	0.00	31.20
Total Work Dues	2,182.05	3,160.99	1,820.23	7,163.27
Total Program Income	19,741.05	10,872.49	7,029.72	37,643.26
Total Income	19,822.37	10,952.29	7,122.83	37,897.49

(Continued from page 1) Pension Fund

The "Benefit Multiplier" had already been lowered to \$2.00. In October 2009 the Board decided to lower the multiplier to \$1.00 for all new contributions made after January 1, 2010.

Other Reductions

In addition to the reduction in the Fund's "Benefit Multiplier", certain other benefits and benefit alternatives previously available have been eliminated:

- Early retirement subsidies;
- Benefit guarantees for singlelife annuity;

- "Pop-up" and benefit guarantee features of the 50% joint and survivor annuity;
- Post-normal retirement age subsidies;
- Certain forms of benefit for merged plans; and
- Lump-sum form of benefit.
- AFM-EPF to Seek Relief

The fund plans to seek relief from some of the strict requirements of the 2006 law.

It will apply to the Internal Revenue Service for a 5-year extension of the period for amortizing the unfunded liabilities of the plan. An extension would give the fund more time to resolve its financial difficulties without having to impose additional increases on employers or decreases on pension participants.

The fund is optimistic about having the extension approved.

The major constraint within which the Fund must operate is that benefits for existing retirees may not be decreased. Therefore, any financial difficulties have to be corrected by adjustments to benefits and contributions for future retirees.

Further information is available at the Fund's web site: http://www.afm-epf.org.



1st Quarter Financial Statements, 2010 (Cont'd)

	Jan ²	10 Feb	10 Mar	10 TOTAL
Expense				
Business Expenses				
Total Charitable Contributions	0.00	-100.00	75.00	-25.00
Organizational Charges				
Central Labor Per Capita Tax	40.00	40.00	40.00	120.00
Federation Initiation Fee	0.00	130.00	130.00	260.00
Federation Per Capita Charge	4,892.00	0.00	0.00	4,892.00
Federation Work Dues				
Federation Symphonic Work				
Dues	427.77	345.30	506.96	1,280.03
Total Federation Work Dues	427.77	345.30	506.96	1,280.03
Total Organizational Charges	5,359.77	515.30	676.96	6,552.03
Total Refunds	187.18	20.00	0.00	207.18
Total Business Expenses	5,546.95	435.30	751.96	6,734.21
Contract Services				
Office Cleaning	0.00	165.00	0.00	165.00
Office Help	210.00	210.00	210.00	630.00
Total Contract Services	210.00	375.00	210.00	795.00
Facilities and Equipment				
Total Equip Rental and Maintenance	0.00	0.00	204.00	204.00
Property Taxes	0.00	423.78	0.00	423.78
Rent, Parking, Utilities	850.00	850.00	850.00	2,550.00
Total Facilities and Equipment	850.00	1,273.78	1,054.00	3,177.78
Fund-Raising Expenses	000.00	1,275.70	1,004.00	3,177.70
- .	250.00	0.00	184.02	424.02
Total Cavalcade Expenses				434.02
Total Fund-Raising Expenses	250.00	0.00	184.02	434.02
Operations	40.00	40.00	40.00	100.00
Total Advertising Expenses	40.00	40.00	40.00	120.00
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	0.00	0.00	35.00	35.00
Computer Expense Computer Equipment & Hard-				
ware	42.78	74.36	121.99	239.13
Computer Software	0.00	0.00	149.04	149.04
Internet Service	42.74	42.74	42.74	128.22
Computer Expense - Other	0.00	13.00	0.00	13.00
Total Computer Expense	85.52	130.10	313.77	529.39
Total Newsletter ("Fanfare") Expenses	125.00	0.00	130.00	255.00
Postage, Mailing Service	123.00	0.00	130.00	233.00
Bulk Mail Annual Fee	0.00	185.00	0.00	185.00
	176.00	88.00	0.00	264.00
Stamps Bestage Mailing Service Other	0.00	0.00	5.52	204.00 5.52
Postage, Mailing Service - Other	176.00			
Total Postage, Mailing Service		273.00	5.52	454.52
Supplies	8.56	295.05	112.20	415.81
Telephone, Telecommunications	114.89	125.43	122.82	363.14
Total Operations	549.97	863.58	759.31	2,172.86

Fan Fare

1st Quarter Financial Statements, 2010 (Cont'd)

	Jan 10	Feb 10	Mar 10	TOTAL
Other Types of Expenses				
Death Benefit	2,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	3,000.00
Other Costs				
Refreshments	6.00	6.16	7.80	19.96
Water	0.00	0.00	7.50	7.50
Total Other Costs	6.00	6.16	15.30	27.46
Total Other Types of Expenses	2,006.00	6.16	1,015.30	3,027.46
Payroll Expenses				
Pension Fund Contribution	155.66	126.92	126.92	409.50
Payroll Expenses - Other	1,400.56	1,400.56	1,400.58	4,201.70
Total Payroll Expenses	1,556.22	1,527.48	1,527.50	4,611.20
Travel and Meetings				
Conference, Convention, Meeting				
New England Conference	0.00	145.00	0.00	145.00
Total Conference, Convention, Meet-				
ing	0.00	145.00	0.00	145.00
Meals & Entertainment	70.35	0.00	72.36	142.71
Standing Committee Meetings				
Executive Board Meeting	150.00	150.00	150.00	450.00
Total Standing Committee Meetings	150.00	150.00	150.00	450.00
Travel				
Parking	8.00	0.00	0.00	8.00
Total Travel	8.00	0.00	0.00	8.00
Total Travel and Meetings	228.35	295.00	222.36	745.71
Total Expense	11,197.49	4,776.30	5,724.45	21,698.24
Net Ordinary Income	8,624.88	6,175.99	1,398.38	16,199.25
Net Income	8,624.88	6,175.99	1,398.38	16,199.25

Bank Account Balances

	Qtr Ending	3/31/2009	6/30/2009	9/30/2009	12/31/2009	3/31/2010
Account	Туре					
Checking	Checking	\$121.54	\$143.61	\$126.91	\$325.32	\$1,764.34
Gen'l Fund	Savings	\$8,603.70	\$2,687.36	\$2,915.59	\$6,432.13	\$24,768.39
Cavalcade	Savings	\$2,969.25	\$9,371.87	\$14,716.44	\$18,639.91	\$5,019.25
Golf	Savings	\$547.93	\$1,551.71	\$3,067.53	\$2,769.82	\$2,774.94
Hlth/Welf.	Savings	\$8,663.07	\$8,578.89	\$8,597.63	\$3,414.50	\$3,118.05
Hlth/Welf.	Cert. of Dep.	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$5,021.10	\$5,042.06
Reserve	Savings	\$29,650.04	\$29,765.01	\$23,314.25	\$9,834.82	\$12,857.83
Reserve	Cert. of Dep.	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$10,042.19	\$10,084.09
Surv. Bnft.	Savings	\$8,289.05	\$8,321.19	\$32,126.52	\$8,146.73	\$15,174.47
Surv. Bnft.	Cert. of Dep.	\$25,480.24	\$25,647.86.	\$0.00	\$20,084.39	\$20,168.21
Petty Cash	Cash	\$17.91	\$14.92	\$7.84	\$44.55	\$31.07
Totals		\$84,342.73	\$86,082.42	\$84,872.71	\$84,755.46	\$100,802.70



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Deaths Silvio Pellegrino

Reinstated Charles Holland Mark Pinto

Resigned Rachel Braude Eli Epstein Loewi Lin

Suspended Melissa Carter John Gomes Daniel Hann Abigail Karr

Expelled Gordon Davignon Alexander Romanul

Executive Board Minutes (Cont'd)

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Treasurer's Business Items

- Bill Payment Approvals (Requested) Karen Z. Ball \$1.000.00 (Survivor's Benefit - Edward Zaretsky)
- CD Renewal Authorization (Requested) Survivor's Benefit Fund CD \$20,168.21 Reserve Fund CD \$10,084.00 Health & Welfare Fund CD \$5.042.06

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moves to pay the Survivor's Benefit to Karen Z. Ball. beneficiary of Za-Edward retsky. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

EBM Salzillo moves authorize to

S/T to rein- Carl and Cathy Hosbond and Gregg Mazel attended the VP says that vest the exist- 90th birthday party for Art Medeiros.

ing CD's when they mature in May. EBM Worslev seconds the motion. The motion carries.

- Communications None
- Committee Reports
- Cavalcade of Bands There is a discussion of the flooding in the area of Rhodes-

on-the-Pawtuxet and its potential impact in the May Caval*cade*. VP says he has spoken to the management at Rhodes. The facility will reopen tomorrow. He expects that everything will be in order by the time of the Cavalcade on May 25. All the bands have been engaged and arrangements have been made for all the equipment. Both the Cavalcade tickets and all the flyers were printed in-house on the Local's printer, rather than at a commercial printing house.

• Golf Committee

VP reminds the Board that

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> day, August 24 at Rhodes for a "Summer Dance" to be sponsored by the Local. The event will run from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM, with one big band and four small groups.

Old Business

American Federation of Teachers

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(Continued from page 18) Minutes, April 9

VP reports that he contacted the AFT to ask them why they were hiring non-union bands for their social events. To date he has not received a response.

New Business

• Kingston Chamber Music Festival

EBM Salzillo says that he believes most of the performers at the Kingston Chamber Music Festival at URI are non-union. However, he will continue checking. VP mentions the summer music institute at RIC.

Newport Music Festival

Pres explains to the Board that for many years the Newport Music Festival has brought in performers from outside the U.S. In the past, the Newport Local provided letters of authorization for immigration purposes. However, since Local 198-457 is now responsible for the Newport area, Pres contacted the AFM in New York and learned that all requests for immigration and visa letters have to go through the AFM in New York. Pres informed the director of the Newport Music Festival, who was not particularly happy, since the AFM charges a fee for the letter. There has been no contact with the Festival's management since then.

Newport Jazz Festival

VP asks about the status of the Newport Jazz Festival, which in now in Providence's jurisdiction. Pres replies that he has been unable to contact the new management company which is

running the festival. EBM Worsley explains the promoter George Wein had to form a new company to operate the festival and that Wein himself has no day-to-day involvement in the festival.

AFM Convention

VP asks who will be attending. S/T states that he is unable to attend. Pres replies that both he and Delegate Arthur Medeiros plan to attend.

Union / Non-Union Bands

There is a discussion of non-union bands and union members playing in those nonunion bands. VP says that he encountered a band at the 1149 restaurant consisting of both union and non-union players. He is concerned about the violation of union rules about not working with nonunion musicians. Pres recounts situation at the Sidebar, where two union members are working with a non-union pianist. He plans to bring the union members before the board.

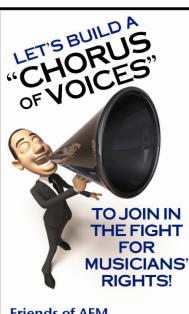
• Next Meeting(s)

Next regular Executive Board Meeting on Thursday, May 13 at 10:00 A.M.

Next General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, May 4, at 7:00 P.M.

Adjournment

VP moves to adjourn. EBM Worsley seconds the motion. The motion carries. Meeting adjourns at 12:00 P.M.



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(Continued from page 1) Cavalcade

Ticket sales had been initially sluggish, but a surge in sales occurred in the last week before the Cavalcade. DeAndrade attributed the surge to air plugs from radio talk show host Buddy Cianci, an article in the *Providence Journal* about band leader Art Medeiros, and the beautiful weather.

The Art Medeiros 16 piece Swing Band and the John Badessa big band covered the ballroom, while half a dozen small groups performed in the foyer.

DeAndrade announced that a "Summer Dance" is planned for Tuesday, August 24, at Rhodeson-the-Pawtuxet.



The John Badessa Big Band performs in the ballroom of Rhodes-on-the-Pawtuxet for the Cavalcade of Bands held on May 25. More photos on pages 10 and 11.

