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**JAZZY SUMMER NIGHTS**






GRANT GEISSMAN  
JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup>



JOHN SANTOS  
JULY 19<sup>TH</sup>



BILL CHAMPLIN  
AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>

FOR TICKETS:  
 WWW.SONOMACUTRER.COM/EVENTS  
 (707) 237-3489

All concerts are \$49 per person.  
 All concerts start at 5pm. Winery terrace opens at 4pm.  
 Open seating. Seating is provided for each paid ticket holder.  
 Please no outside food or alcohol.  
 Concerts are rain or shine.

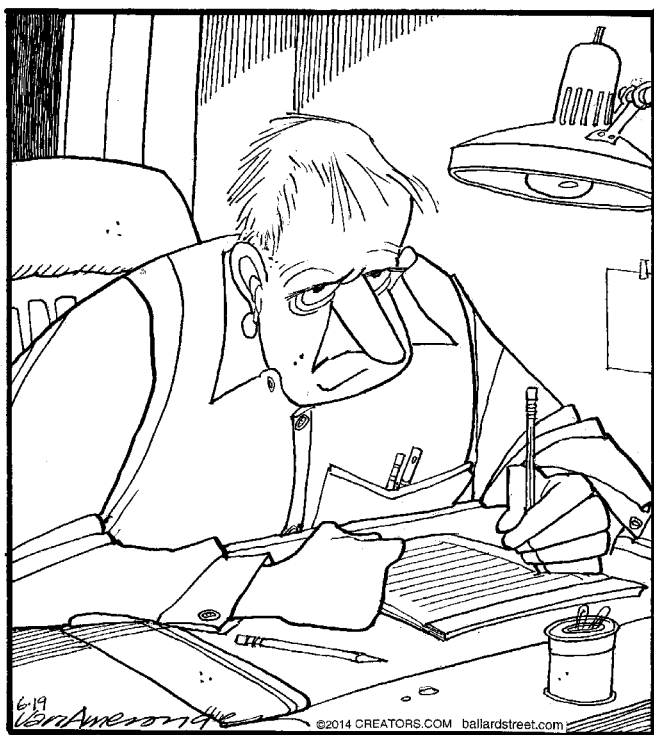
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## BALLARD STREET

by Jerry Van Amerongen



Gordon wanted to write something funny about his pinched nerve, but nothing so far.

# MUSIC

## Jazzy Summer Nights

**P**eter Welker has booked the third summer of “JAZZY S U M M E R NIGHTS”, which will be held again at the fabulous Sonoma-Cutrer Winery in Windsor. The winery sits on 400 beautiful acres and annually hosts the World Championship croquet tournament. Their wines win the very highest awards in the wine business each year!

These are the concerts for July and August:

Saturday July 19 (5 to 7 PM) The John Santos Sextet Five time Grammy nominated percussionist, John Santos, has worked with; Dizzy Gillespie, Carlos Santana, Arturo Sandoval, Tito Puente, Billy Cobham

and Larry Coryell. His sextet will be playing some smokin’ Latin music from his highly acclaimed CDs.

Saturday August 16 (5 to 7 PM) Bill Champlin with Special Guests After touring and recording with the band Chicago for 28 years, Bill has focused on his solo career. A two time Grammy winner, vocalist, keyboardist, guitarist and composer has written some classic hits, which he will be performing, such as....” After The Love Has Gone”...” Turn Your Love Around”...” Just To Be Loved “...” In The Heat Of The Night”...and was featured on Chicago’s number 1 hit...” Look Away “. Bill will be backed by an All Star band....starting

with his very talented wife, vocalist / composer Tamara Champlin. The rest of the band is made up of ; Garth Webber ( Miles Davis ) Cliff Hugo ( Supertramp ) Al Garth ( The Eagles ) Mel Martin ( Boz Scaggs ) James Preston ( The Sons Of Champlin ) Gary Silva ( Elvin Bishop ) and Peter Welker ( Cold Blood ).

There will be food and wine available for purchase at each concert. Gates will open at 4 PM -- arrive early to get a good seat.

Tickets are available at [sonomacutrer.com/events](http://sonomacutrer.com/events) or by calling 707.237.3489. For more information, visit [PeterWelker.com](http://PeterWelker.com).

## Welker Back on the River

**T**he Peter Welker Sextet will be back on the Petaluma River for its 19th annual “Jazz On The River” summer series. The band will be partnering again with one of Sonoma County’s most popular dining spots... Graffiti Restaurant. Located in downtown Petaluma on the historic Petaluma River, this nite spot has been

serving fabulous meals and featuring a full service bar for many years. Pair this with a Bay Area all-star multi-award winning band and you have a winning combination every Friday.

The Peter Welker Sextet has been together for 35 years, is signed to a major Jazz label and has released 5 CDs to rave reviews world-wide and has received international

air play as well. The band’s members have performed and recorded with the biggest names in the music business such as: Carlos Santana, Van Morrison, Dizzy Gillespie, Boz Scaggs, Jerry Garcia, Bobby Hutcherson, Joe Henderson, Art Blakey, Buddy Miles, Cold Blood, George Duke, Ernie Watts, George Shearing and Tom Waits.

## Cotati Accordion Festival

**T**he 24th annual multi-cultural, multi-generational, nonprofit Cotati Accordion Festival will be taking place this August 16 and 17 in La Plaza Park in downtown Cotati. The event will be celebrating the International Cavalcade of Stars featuring Lulinha Alencal of Brazil, Jinan

Tian of China, Vincenzo Abbracciante of Italy, The Russian music of Trio Voronezh, and the legendary Dick Contino of the U.S.A.

The festival will also include 20 accordion acts and include a zydeco dance party, the jam tent, the polka tent, food vendors, beer, wine, and over 70 booths.

Single tickets are \$15

in advance, \$17 at the gate, and \$25 for both days. They may be purchased by calling 888.559.2576, or at People’s Music, The Last Record Store or any of the three Oliver’s Markets.

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