



# The Swinger

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DON'T BE FRIGHTENED, but the new season of HJS opens like the Battle of the Marne. On Sunday evening, October 17, Elvin Jones' Quartet will shatter the calm of Hartford and environs with its introduction to the 1971-72 Calendar of Events. Elvin (in his 11th year as foremost percussionist in "Down Beat's" International Critics Poll) will be joyfully present with Frank Foster ("Shiny Stockings," cited as Basie's greatest orchestration), Joe Farrell ("most underrated tenor" in "Down Beat" Listeners' Poll), Gene Perla (well remembered from his previous appearance with Elvin at a sold-out HJS session) and Chic Corea (recently pianist in Miles Davis' combo and rated five stars for his recent Blue Note recording, "The Sound of Singing").

NOTA BENE (Note well, you who never paid attention to your Latin): The meeting will be at the Social Hall of the Greek Orthodox Church at 433 Fairfield Avenue. Go to the end of Maple Avenue, turn ~~left~~ RIGHT at the Esso station and you will be at the place. Or go south on Zion Street (883 Park) to Hughes Street and turn slightly left into Fairfield and proceed to the end of the street. (Got it? All right, but keep this in the glove compartment.)

THE TENTH ANNUAL CRUISE last month took on more than 700 passengers to view the Connecticut, listen to Houston Person's band and Norman Gage's troupe, and have a genuine ball. Top ticket salesmen were Larry and Jean Mounds, Sammy Johnson and Jan Appellof. Any questions?

IN RETROSPECT: The HJS picnic at Wickham Park in July was a most enjoyable outing, with kids; hot dogs, hamburgers, soft ball and unsoft beverages, Bessye Proffitt and Lucy Marsters...Ronald J. Cataldi of Hartford was awarded the annual HJS scholarship and is now enrolled at the Berkeley College of Music in Boston...Harry Lichtenbaum, HJS stalwart, was in the spring voted the most valuable member of the Masquers dramatic company. (He and Eleanor Adler, also of the Masquers and HJS, will be wed next month, culminating another HJS romance)...And Bobby Johnson, tenor sax, has joined other Hartford natives, once active in HJS, on the West Coast, the others including Dave Mackay, Skinny Porcaro and Ron McClure.



ELECTIONS in mid-May resulted in this cabinet of officers for the year 1971-72: Ed Goodwin, president; T. Graham Ralph, 1st vice president; Lucy Marsters, 2nd vice president; Marge Malaney, recording secretary; Annette L. Cohen, corresponding secretary; and George S. Cohen, treasurer. Champagne, compliments of Art Fine. Tissues to dry the tears caused by Joey Stevenson's retirement as president, compliments of Marion A. Wilson, Scott Paper Company, Springfield.

WELCOME these new members: Ronald F. Armstrong...Mrs. Nancy Cooper ...Jane Goodfellow...Robert T. Green...Reuben Harris...Roosevelt and Shirley Henry...Marion Howard...Ed Krech...Clinton A. McCann, Jr. ...Natalie Mendes...Gloria J. Patman...Lawrence Robinson...John N. Thornton...Lacinda Wilding.

JAZZ VESPERs at St. Peter's (Lexington at 54th, NYC) will celebrate its sixth anniversary Sunday, October 10 with all-night jazz from 5 PM to 5 AM. Participants will include Clark Terry's big band, Willie "The Lion" Smith, Joe Newman's group, Frank Foster, Marion McPartland, Billy Taylor, and other HJS favorites. Rev. John Gensel, honorary pastor of HJS, invites you...Holiday Inn, west of New Haven, Wilbur Cross Highway, is having Sunday sessions; October 10 - George Barnes and Bucky Pizzarelli; October 17 - Urbie Green group; October 24 - James Moody quartet; October 31 - Darius Brubeck and friends.

DOOR PRIZES at the HJS concert October 17 will include the latest Elvin Jones Quartet LP on the Blue Note label. Be there and tuck your lucky ticket in your bodice (or jock strap, if more appropriate).

"WHEN your heart's on fire, blame it on the French fries."  
(Old Refrain)