

PRESS RELEASE

Marshall's Dixieland Band Performs March 3rd

The Neshanic United Methodist Church continues its concert series with an afternoon of Dixieland music as it celebrates the spirit of Mardi Gras. Marshall's Dixieland Band will perform at 3 PM on Sunday, March 3rd.

Marshall's Dixieland Band, one of New Jersey's longest running bands, was organized in 1982. Even though Marshall Stalley had played piano for many years, he decided to study music full-time after retiring as professor and chairman of Cook College's Department of Environmental Studies. He proceeded to study improvisational jazz at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, where he met Jim Moise. Together, they advertised for musicians to form a band of fellow Dixieland enthusiasts in New Jersey.

In 2001, Jim Moise and Marshall Stalley both passed away. But before his death, Marshall gave his blessing to the band, allowing them to continue using his name. In so doing, Marshall's memory lives on.

Presently, the band is comprised of musicians from the central New Jersey area, and includes Rod B. Anderson of Princeton on clarinet, Warren Buckleitner of Flemington on cornet, Henry Dale of Princeton on banjo, George Dougherty of Lawrenceville on trombone, Charley Huck of Somerville on piano, Jerry Gerard of Monroe Township on drums, and Tom Spain of Skillman on the tuba.

There is a suggested donation of \$10 for the concert. Children under 12 will be admitted free of charge. Refreshments will be served during the intermission. The church is located across from the Neshanic Station Post Office, at 301 Maple Avenue, Neshanic Station. For more information, call (908) 369-3838 or (908) 421-1508.