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LAPD Band

by Christina Challey

Coming from a very musical family, which includes the family band, our French horn player, Jean Marinelli, was destined to become a professional



Jean at LAPD graduation.

musician. Her mother and aunts were church organists, her brothers play trombone and trumpet, and her dad is a world-class whistler! Combined with several cousins, aunts and uncles, along with her sons, who are both musicians,

> Jean's family band, The Sartones, perform in her parents' living room every Christmas Eve. "It's a job requirement," she says.

> Jean says she was about 4 years old when she "just had to learn what those black dots meant on the paper sitting above the piano." From there, around age 12, she picked up a French horn and found she could play "Jingle Bells" without any instruction! That was when she began to really enjoy playing the



The Sartones

horn, and she's never looked back. Her favorite horn player is Vince DeRosa, or anyone who sounds like him. Along with the horn, she can play piano and almost any band instrument, but she's best at the horn, trumpet, flute and saxophone.

Jean played in her school bands when she wasn't cheerleading. (She says the cheerleading drove her band director crazy.) She attended school in Iowa and master's degree classes at the University of Southern California. She attended several prestigious music camps and was chosen for Disneyland's All-American College Band.

Jean's vivacious per-

photography, calligraphy and game shows! Not just watching game shows, but appearing on them—such as 10 appearances on "The Gong Show," including three wins and one co-hosting gig as "The Culture Queen."



sonality and musical talent have taken her on many musical adventures, including touring with "A-name" entertainers such as Adele and Andrea Bocelli, playing live shows with Christina Aguilera, Lena Horne, Johnny Mathis, Sammy Davis Jr., Aretha Franklin, Plácido Domingo and Il Divo, to name a few. She has played on albums with Coldplay, Celine Dion and numerous others, and makes regular appearances on every major stage in Southern California, playing with such groups as the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra, Pacific Symphony, Pasadena POPS and New West Symphony.

Jean's hobbies include tap dancing,

Jean's favorite style of music is whatever she happens to be playing at the moment, but to relax, she listens to bigband crooners and jazz. She's married to Joe, who is a talented actor. She has two grown sons and a cute Collie.

Jean joined the LAPD Concert Band when Maestro Richard Allen became the band's new director/conductor. "I have really enjoyed playing with and meeting fun and very talented musicians in the LAPD Band," she says. "I'm looking forward to recruiting more and more professional musicians for this fun

Speaking of recruitment, for more information about the band, please contact Jim Starr, executive director, at sngcop@aol.com. For greatly appreciated donations to the band, please go to www.lapolicefoundation.org, and in the "Notes" box, put "for the band." �

Commendable Copper Capers

Newton apprehends individual with a firearm

by Dog N. Pony

Caper of the month goes to Steve Glick and his boot Luna. Steve and Luna get a radio call of a "man with a gun, at 61 and Broadway." Steve does a quick scout of the location, a local marijuana shop. You already know where this is going. Steve observes the suspect described in the radio call walking into the shop. Steve, Luna and most of mid-PMs set up on the location, move into containment and began to call out the

individuals inside. After some choice words exchanged between the officers and the individuals, the individuals came outside and assumed the position. A final call out was done, but no response was received. All individuals, including the suspect, were detained without incident. A contact team was formed to conduct a protective sweep. During the sweep, Steve recovered two firearms with laser sights and a ton of ammo. Good job, guy, and all of Watch 5! �



