

Down to the Village – Jim Crozier’s Big Show – March 22

New arrangements for a really big band celebrate CD Release, “Down to the Village” from singer/composer/bassist, Jim Crozier.

The **American Legion Hall** on Lake Ella in Tallahassee is the venue for **Jim Crozier’s** latest production. On **Saturday, March 22**, starting at **8:00 PM**, he presents a concert and dance which brings together nearly all of the 30 people that helped him produce the CD, **Down to the Village**. Come and enjoy New Orleans Blues, Americana Country, a Cajun Waltz, a Second Line Parade, and a Big Swing Band, too!

Carrie Hamby (accordion) and **Dave Leporati** (mandolin) will begin the evening as a duo. They will soon be joined by **Frank Graham** (guitar), **David Langston** (fiddle), and **Jim Crozier** (bass). Before the end of an hour, **Katie Crozier** (vocals), **TD Giddings** (guitar and vocals), **Kathi Giddings** (vocals), **Jimi McKenzie** (guitar), and **Steve Redmond** (drums) will have all joined the band.

The Really Big Show begins in the second hour, with all of the folks above, plus **Joey Karioth** (keyboard), **Bob Weiss** and **Deborah Lawson** (vocals), and the whole **Tallahassee Swing Band** with all of the wonderful soloists and fabulous ensemble that they have established over the years.

The third set presents **Tallahassee Swing** alone and includes three charts that Jim wrote over the past year. At the end of the evening, **The Jones Brothers Band**, will hit it with the blues. Jim says, “We expect that several of the cats from the big band will step down front to help us finish off a wonderful evening”. **Michael McKenzie**, **Chris Tarquinio**, and **Bill Landing**, all made it out to Wakulla to play on the CD.

Admission will be \$7.00 at the door. Doors open at 7:30.

Special deals are: \$15.00 for admission and a CD; or \$20 admits 2 and includes a CD!

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Logo: <http://jimcrozier.com/proj1/CDFront-2.jpg>

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Tallahassee Swing is expected to have all of the regular players, and possibly some extras. Saxes: **Bill Landing**, **Chris Tarquinio**, **Jeff Drawbaugh** (and clarinet), **Jody Coogle**, **Mike Ewen**; Trumpets: **Michael McKenzie**, **Steve Morey**, **Tom Buchanan**, **Alden France**, **John Crenshaw**; Trombones: **Elliot Toole** (leader), **Pat Hill**, **Carl Morse**, **Alan Nelson**; Rhythm: **Walter Kelleher** (drums), **Myron Spainhour** (piano), **Larry McCraw** (guitar), **Sam Adams** (bass).

The Jones Brothers Band is: **Bob Weiss** (lead vocal), **Jimi McKenzke** (guitar and vocal), **Jim Crozier** (bass and vocal), **Steve Redmond** (drums), **Joey Karioth** (keys), and on this occasion, lots of guests.

Historical Notes:

Last November, **Bassist, Composer, and Singer-Songwriter, Jim Crozier** reached a major milestone in his life by releasing the album that he had been getting around to doing for many years. This month he reaches another on **Saturday, March 22, at 8pm, at the American Legion Hall** on Beautiful Lake Ella, in Tallahassee, with the presentation of his show **“Down to the Village”** featuring material from the CD of the same name. For this show he has created eight brand new arrangements for **Tallahassee Swing**, the big swing dance band that has played at the Legion Hall every Tuesday evening for over 18 years. Jim has been a part of that band for much of its history. He has also played with many other local ensembles, including ACME Rhythm & Blues, Big Fedora (mid 80’s, led by Jon Copps), The Wild Blue Yonders (late 70’s, one of Bill Wharton’s earlier bands), and several jazz groups, including Lohman-Crozier Jazz in its many forms. Before arriving in the South, he did some work in New York theater including receiving a Grammy Nomination for an Off-Broadway Original Cast Album in which he shared the writing and direction credits..