



El Pampero

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From the Editor's Desk

Greetings, everyone. Spring is finally here (I think) and this year's season of renewal brings continued additions and improvements to this newsletter and website but more importantly, the truly wonderful news below. I will say no more, but simply thank you all for your wonderful support of Gato.

*Best wishes to you all,
Lois Roe, Editor*

***The Shadow of the Cat* is Billboard's Latin Jazz Album of the Year!**

We are very happy to announce that *The Shadow of the Cat* has won Billboard's Latin Jazz Album of the Year award! Congratulations, Gato!! We are all beside ourselves with happiness about this. You greatly deserve this and we couldn't be more thrilled for you.

~Bruce, Judi, Steve & Vera

And to all of you who support Gato, this award is also testimony to just how important your support is. Thank you. We hope you enjoy this moment as much we are enjoying it.

*(Gato's Management) Bruce and Judi Nichols, Steve Butler and Vera D'Silva
Central Entertainment Services, Inc.
Staten Island, NY May 9, 2003*

A Greeting from the Barbieris

Hola, Amigos,
The past several months have been an exciting time for us. Gato celebrated his 70th birthday, Christian turned 5, and now we have just received word that *The Shadow of the Cat* has been named Billboard's Latin Jazz Album of the Year! You may remember that Gato dedicated this album to his mother. How proud she must be now—and what perfect timing! *~Laura Barbieri*

I am always happiest when I am playing my music, especially in live concerts where people can dance and enjoy the rhythms. Many of you have written to ask when I will come next to your city or area; often we don't know. But we have received a lot of requests especially from the Chicago area and the San Francisco Bay Area and so I am happy to tell you that I will be playing at Yoshi's in Oakland, CA on August 2nd and 3rd and at the Viva Chicago Latin Music Festival on August 24th. I invite you all to join us and please let all your friends know: admission to the Viva Chicago Latin Jazz Festival is FREE!

We look forward to seeing you at the shows and thank you all very much for your continued enthusiasm and support.

Peace & Chau, Gato*

* Editor's Note: "Chau" is the Argentine version of the Italian word "Ciao."

We Have a Winner!

Congratulations to Katherine S. Reid, winner of the Yamaha Saxophone!

**Website News*****El Pampero Website Spanish Translation Coming Soon***

Since initiating *El Pampero* last year and the newsletter website earlier this year, I have been hoping to find a way to make both available in Spanish. Now, thanks to a wonderful volunteer from our mailing list, I am pleased to announce that we are finally able to take a big step in this direction. We will begin by translating the website into Spanish (Castellano) to make it more accessible and meaningful to Gato's Spanish-speaking fans worldwide.

Our next goal will be to make the newsletter available in Spanish. Needless to say, this will be a substantial and ongoing project. If anyone else is interested in helping with this effort, we would welcome your contributions.

As part of this effort, we will be adding a new field to the mailing list signup form so that anyone signing up will be able to indicate a preference for receiving a Spanish version of the newsletter. Those of you who are already subscribers and

are interested in receiving the newsletter in Spanish, please let us know by e-mail at elpampero@earthlink.net.

Merchandise

Those of you have written to ask about



merchandise will be pleased to know that Laura Barbieri will soon be offering some special items in a Merchandise section of the Newsletter Website. Among the items she will offer are limited edition bandanas (above) featuring Gato's signature Cat as well as signed copies of *The Shadow of the Cat*. Look for details in the next few weeks at <http://www.gatobarbierinewsletter.com>.

New eCards, Postcards, Photos & Links

If you haven't been back to the website in the last month, you will see a lot of new things now. In addition to the merchandise section, there are new eCards and postcards, and more photos. I would also like to call your attention to a recently added link to the website of an old friend of Gato's, Brazilian model Vera (Verinha) Ottoni. On her site, Ms. Ottoni has some vintage photos of Gato from his early days in Italy and a rare shot of Gato being filmed by Pier Paolo Pasolini circa 1969. If you're a fan of film history, you probably will enjoy her site immensely.

Gato's Concert Calendar

Date/Time	Venue/Location	Tickets/Information
May 13-18, 2003 Tues.-Sat 21.00, 23.30 Sun. 18.00, 21.00	The Blue Note-Milan Milan, ITALY	http://www.bluenotemilano.com (In Italian; English version soon)
July 11, 2003 (Friday) 8:30 PM	Fridays at Sunset Kanawha Plaza Richmond, VA	http://www.fridaysatsunset.com/schedule.html
July 15, 2003 (Tuesday) 6:30 & 9:30 PM	CD 101.9 Spirit Cruise Chelsea Piers New York, NY	http://www.cd1019.com Spirit Tix (866) 874-7245
July 18, 2003 (Friday) 7:45 PM	Birmingham Jazz Festival Shain Park/Downtown Birmingham, MI	TBA
July 25, 2002 (Friday) 7:30 PM	Brookdale Park Watchung Avenue Bloomfield, NJ	(973) 268-3524
July 31, 2003 (Thursday) 8:00 PM	Humphrey's By the Bay San Diego, CA	http://www.humphreysbythebay.com (619) 220-8497
August 1, 2003 (Friday) 7:00 & 9:00 PM	Galaxy Theatre 3503 South Harbor Road Santa Ana, CA	http://www.galaxytheatre.org
August 2-3, 2003 Sat. 8:00 & 10:00 PM Sun. 2:00 & 8:00 PM	Yoshi's at Jack London Sq. 510 Embarcadero West Oakland, CA	http://www.yoshis.com (510) 238-9200
August 24, 2003 (Sunday) 6:00 PM	Viva Chicago Latin Jazz Fest Grant Park Chicago, IL	http://www.ci.chi.il.us/SpecialEvents/Festivals/Viva2003/
August 29, 2003 (Friday) 8:00 PM	Tanglewood Jazz Festival Seiji Ozawa Hall Lenox, MA	http://www.bso.org (888) 266-1200
October 10, 2003 (Friday) 8:00 PM	Tilles Center-CW Post LIU-720 Northern Blvd Brookville (LI), NY	http://www.tillescenter.org (516) 299-3100
October 17, 2003 (Friday) 7:30 PM	Celebrity Theater 440 North 32nd St Phoenix, AZ	http://www.celebritytheatre.com (602) 261-1600 ext. 1
October 18, 2003 (Saturday)	Jazz Trax Catalina Island, CA	http://www.jazztrax.com (800) 595-4tix
April 17, 2004 (Saturday) 8:00 PM	Sheldon Concert Hall 3648 Washington Blvd. St. Louis, MO	http://www.sheldonconcerthall.org Metrotix (314) 534-1111