

Marlow U3A Music Appreciation Group, May 2011



Clarence Pinetops Smith 1904 -1929

- ♪ A seminal figure in the development of boogie-woogie piano moved to Chicago and roomed with Meade “Lux” Lewis and Albert Ammons.



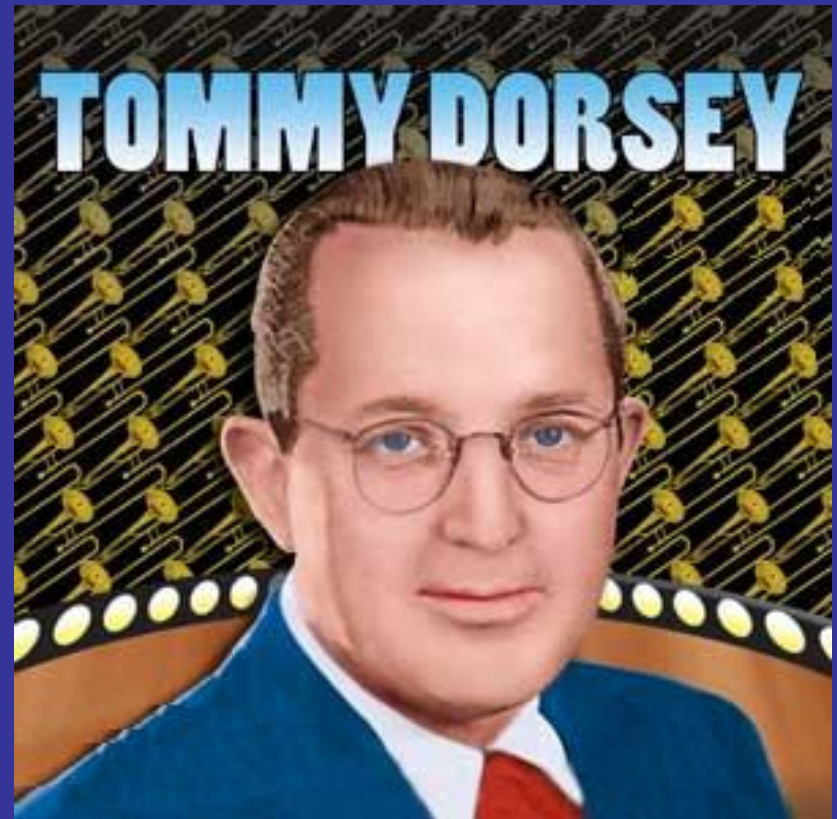
Clarence Pinetops Smith 1904 -1929

♪ He recorded his signature tune Pine Tops Boogie-Woogie for Vocalion in 1920



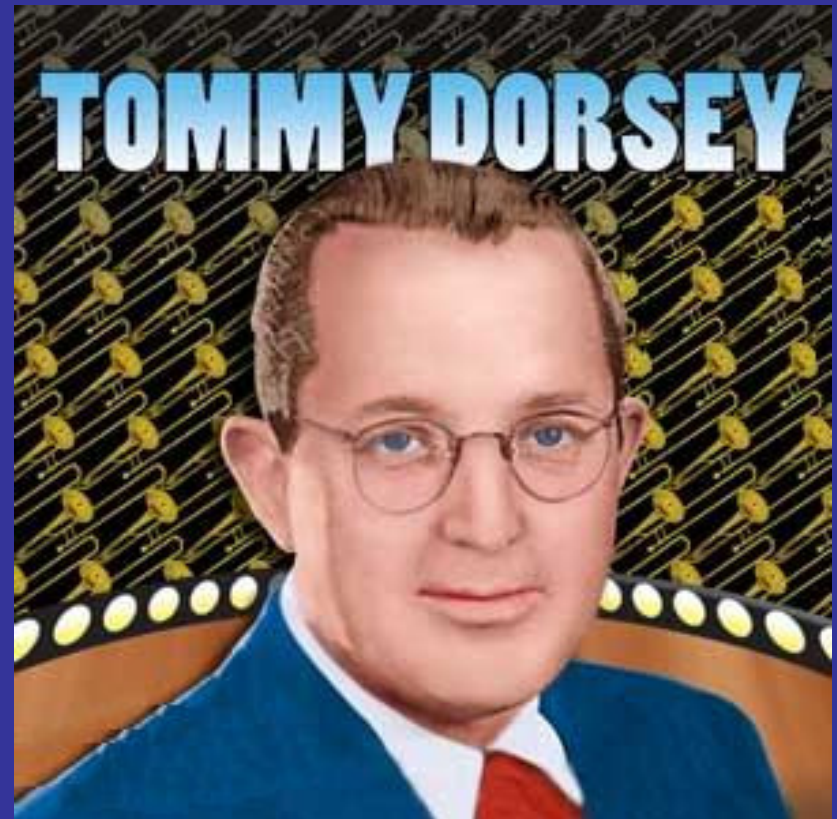
Tommy Dorsey 1905 – 1956

- ♪ **Band Leader
Trombonist and
Trumpeter.
Started with his
brother in the
Dorsey Brothers
Orchestra but with
the break up
formed his own
Tommy Dorsey
Band 1935 – 39.**



Tommy Dorsey 1905 – 1956

- ♪ It became a showboat for talent and they were reunited in 1953.
- ♪ In 1956 with their “Stage Show” was introduced to a national television audience.



Meade Lux Lewis 1905- 1964

- ♪ Pianist and composer and would become the first pianist to document the Boogie-Woogie piano style. Recorded his most famous piece Honky Tonk Train Blues in 1927.



Meade Lux Lewis 1905- 1964

♪ Played with many famous artists and with Bob Crosby's orchestra about 1937-38.

♪ Keith Emmerson of Emmerson Lake and Palmer often

included Honky Tonk Train Blues in its repertoire and recorded it in 1972



Pete Johnson 1904 – 1967

♪ Johnson was one of the three great boogie-woogie pianists (along with Lewis and Ammons) whose sudden prominence in the late 1930s helped make the style very popular



Amos Milburn 1927 – 1980

- ♪ A polished pianist and performer. During 1946 he attracted the attention of a woman who arranged a recording session with Alladin Records.



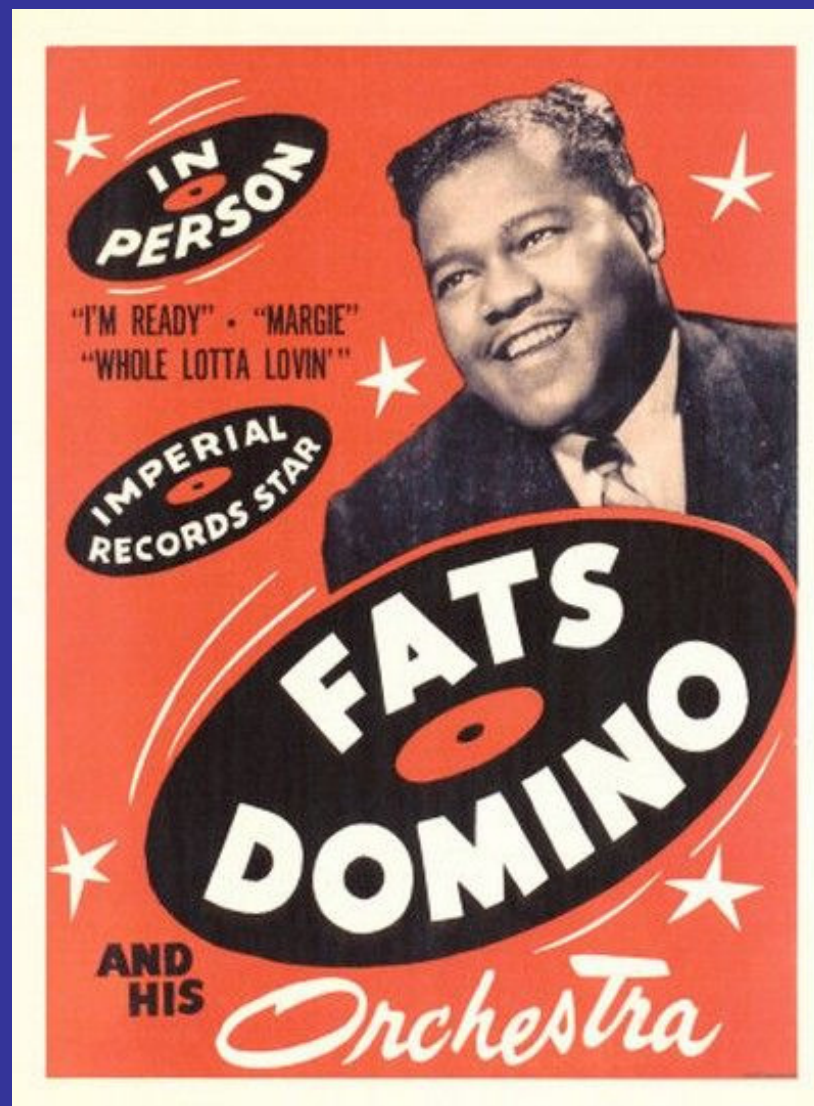
Amos Milburn 1927 – 1980

- ♪ His cover version of “Down the Road a piece” was a blues song with a Texas boogie beat.



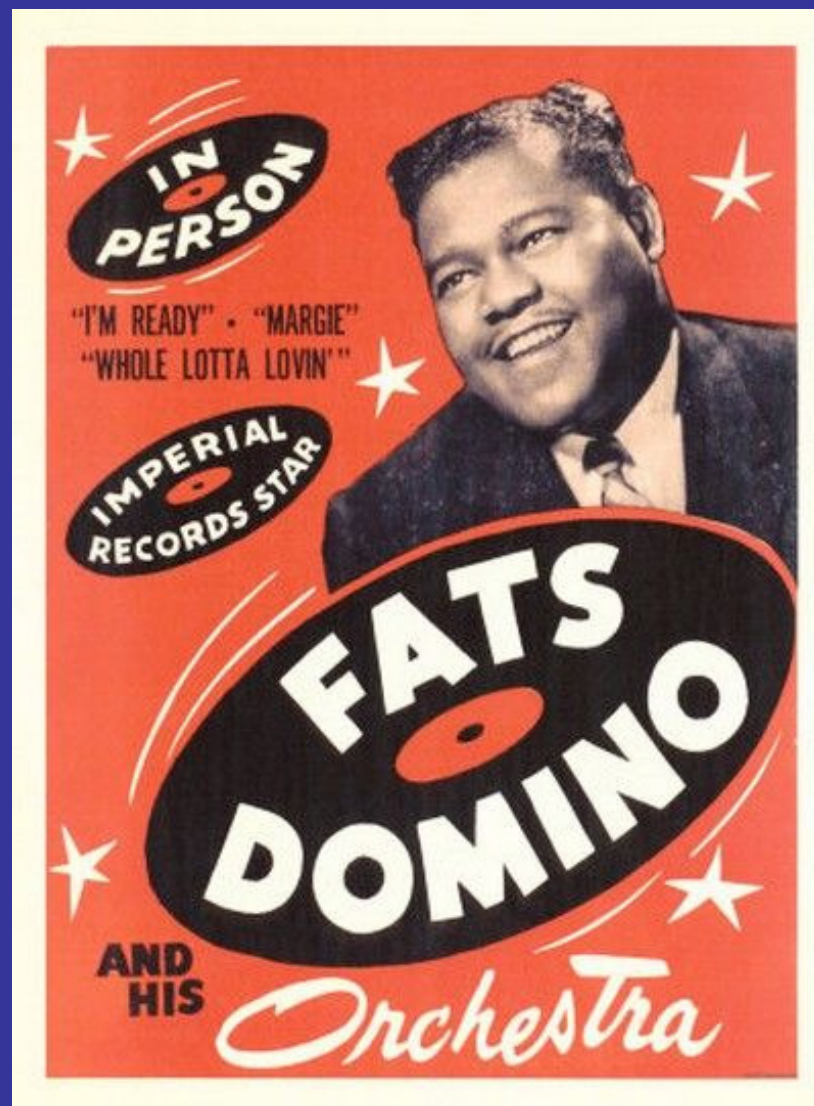
Fats Domino - Born February 1928

♪ Antoine Dominique “Fats” Domino Jr. is an American R&B and rock and roll pianist and singer songwriter. He was born and raised in New Orleans and Creole was his first language.



Fats Domino - Born February 1928

♪ His famous hits included “Blueberry Hill” and “A whole lotta loving going on”. Swanee River Hop was also a great hit



Slim Gaillard 1916 –1991

♪ **Bulee Gaillard known as “Slim” was an American jazz singer, songwriter, pianist and guitarist, noted for his vocalese singing and word play in a language he called “Vout”**



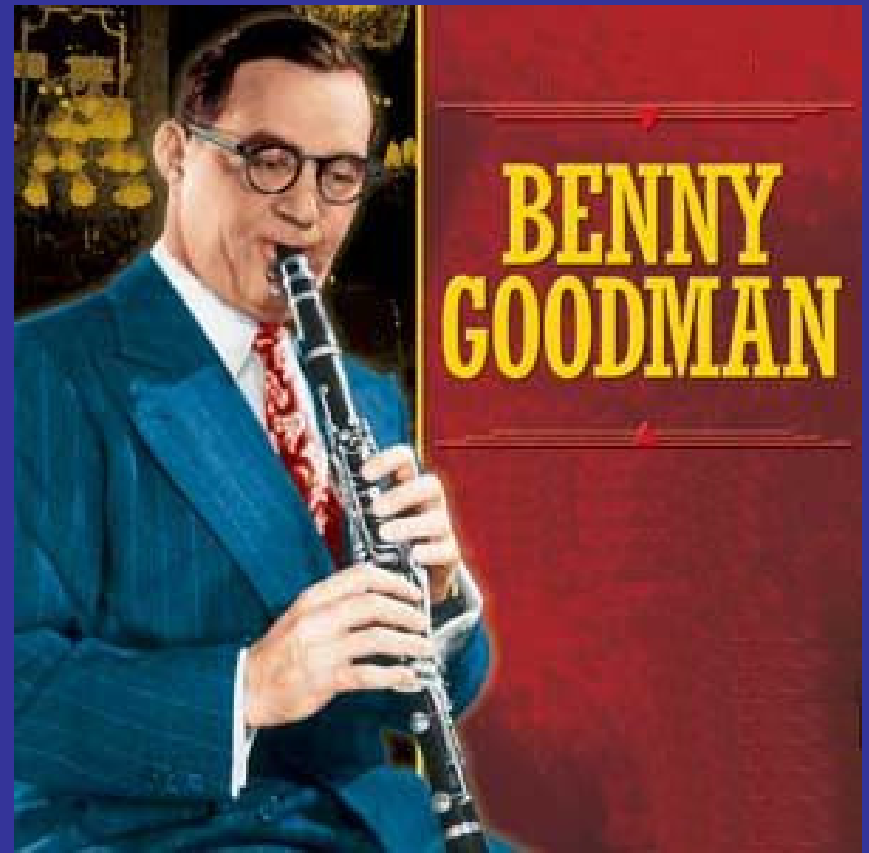
Slim Gaillard 1916 –1991

- ♪ He could speak eight other languages.
- ♪ Dizzy's Boogie was one of his well known pieces



Benny Goodman 1909 – 1986

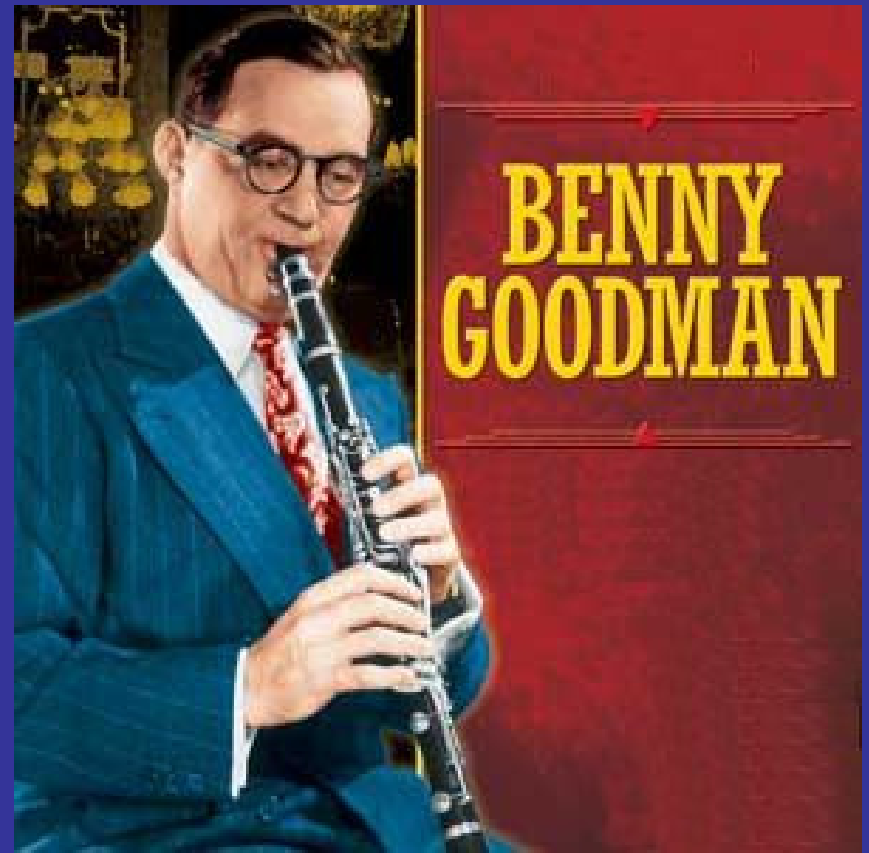
♪ Clarinetist and band leader widely known as the “King of Swing” also known as “The Professor” “Patriarch of the Clarinet” and “Swings Senior Statesman”



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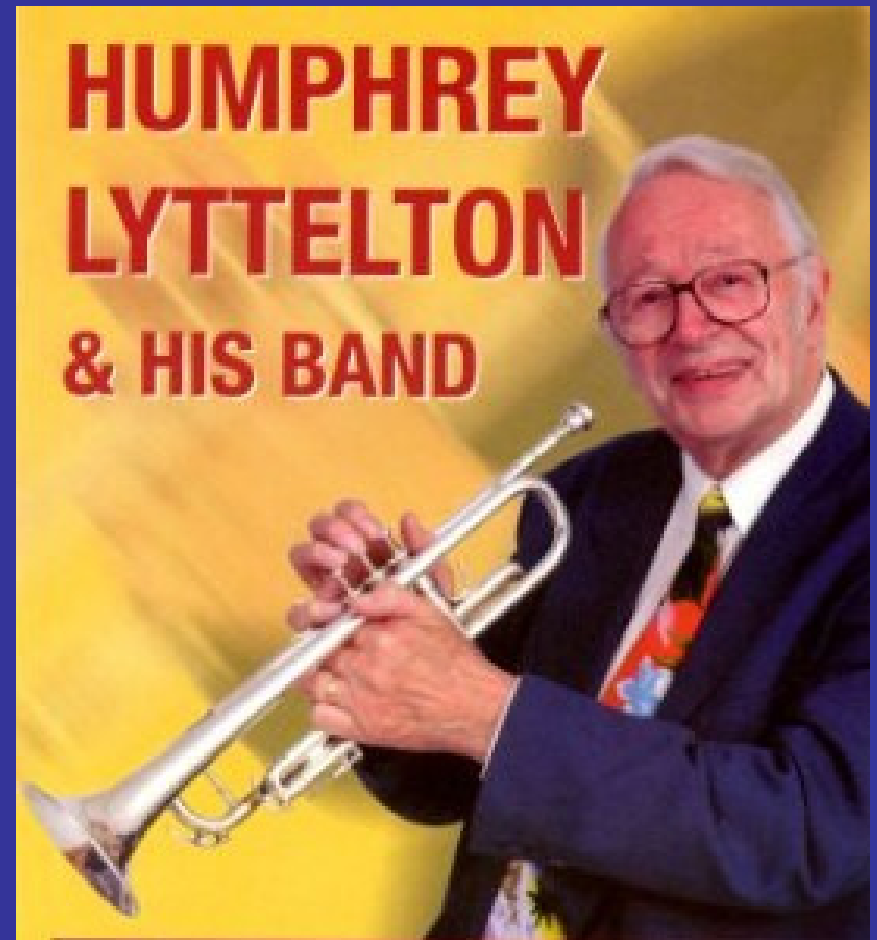
♪ His January 1938 concert at Carnegie Hall is described by critic Bruce Eder as “the single most important jazz or popular music concert in history: Jazz’s

‘coming out’ party to the world of ‘respectable’ music”



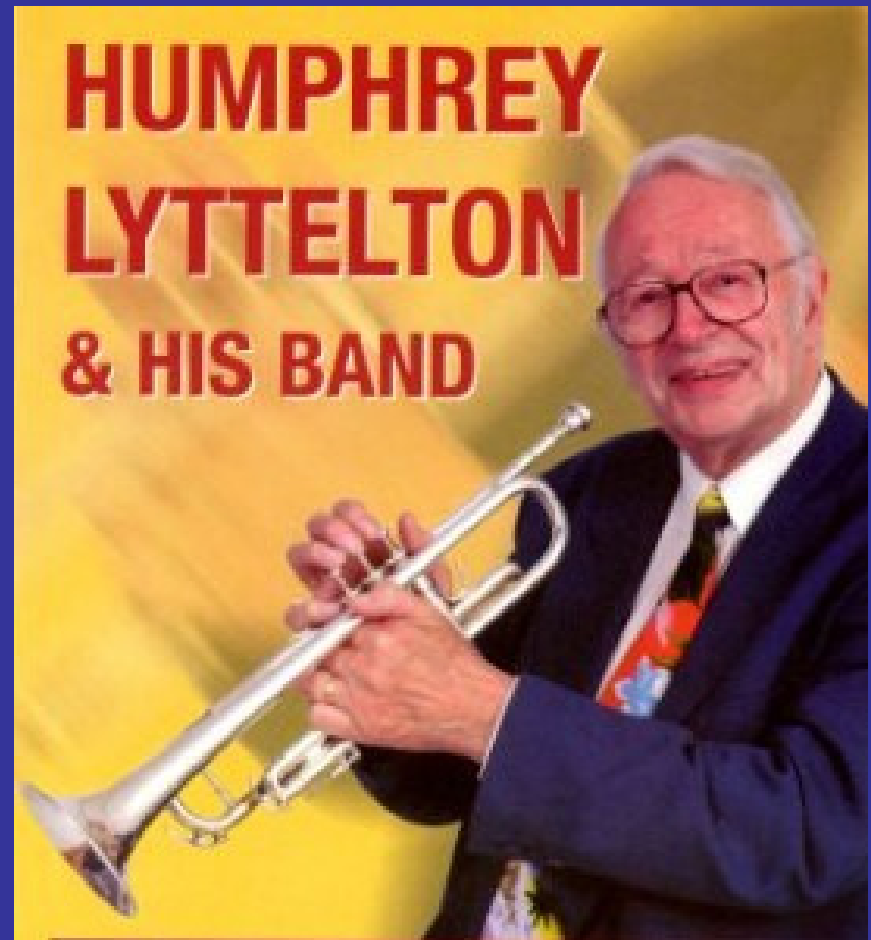
Humphrey Lyttelton 1921 – 2008

♪ “Humph” was a Composer, Trumpeter, Radio Presenter, Cartoonist and Writer. Acquired a passion for jazz as a schoolboy at Eton, and developed it in the Grenadier Guards.



Humphrey Lyttelton 1921 – 2008

- ♪ Played with George Webb's Dixilanders in 1947 and led his own band from 1948.
- ♪ Courted controversy in the 1950s by bringing "bop" musicians into his group.



Jools Holland - Born January 1958

♪ **Pianist, band leader, singer, composer and television presenter. Founder of the band Squeeze. He has been involved with many artists, e.g. Sting, Eric Clapton, George Harrison, The Who, David Gilmour and Bono**



Albert Ammons and Pete Johnson

- ♪ Recorded regularly together and with Meade Lux Lewis on a number of Boogie-Woogie compositions

