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November 25, 2013

Dear Friend of the Accordion,

At our November 4th meeting, we had the honor of hosting one of the foremost influential accordionists on the planet. England's highly cherished Ms. Gina Brannelli played for 90 minutes at the specially arranged gathering at the Joy Luck Restaurant in Bountiful. Over fifty people were in attendance, briefly resulting in standing room only, until more seating was made possible by the staff. Ms. Brannelli played many pieces from all categories of music: classical, Broadway, standard, country, ethnic, and on and on. She announced that she would be unable to visit us in Salt Lake next year due to scheduling difficulties, although those attending the Las Vegas Accordion Convention in August 2014 will be able to see her perform once again. In talking with Paul Pasquali, rooms will be available for \$28 per night and Paul has said he has some wonderful surprises up his sleeve for 2014.

December 9th marks our eighth, or eleventh, or tenth club Christmas party. Tradition maintains we bring a potluck item (preferably food), and that we perform one or two Christmas songs. Polkas are not acceptable unless you play the "Jingle Tootsie Dutch Hop Polka". I understand that is the holiday dance of choice in Amsterdam. The doors will open at Accordions International at 6:15 pm to enable us to set up the food table. Dining will commence at 6:30 pm and entertainment will commence at 7:30 pm. Please be considerate of the premises and use the warehouse for dining and the showroom for entertainment. In other words, NO FOOD IN THE SHOWROOM! As an added attraction, Pat and Jean have graciously contracted with four congress people from Washington, D.C., who will juggle seven policy suggestions, four different interpretations of healthcare, and 18 variations of "All I Want for Christmas Is My Sanity Back" in the hopes of regaining a bit of Beethoven's Fifth (in Washington parlance that would translate to "A Barrel in Capitol Gains").

As a reminder, our annual Christmas Party will be:

Where:	Accordions International – 1760 South 450 West – SLC, UT
When:	December 9, 2013
Time:	6:15 pm doors open for set up Dinner begins at 6:30 pm Entertainment begins at 7:30 pm

We look forward to exchanging season's greetings, best wishes, and schnitzels and noodles that confound my poodles. See you at Accordions International, December 9th; Buon Natale!

"Keep Squeezin"

Dave Marasco

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