

MIDWEEK JAZZ SERIES PAYS TRIBUTE TO HOT DANCE MUSIC OF THE 1920S!

TOMS RIVER – Bix Beiderbecke, the "young man with a horn" whose legend and music are the basis

nationwide, will be honored at the annual **Big Bix Birthday Blast** on **Wednesday, March 21** at 8:00 p.m. at the Fine Arts Center at Ocean County College, College Drive, Toms River, NJ. The 11-piece **Dreamland Orchestra** pays tribute to Bix and plays in the authentic manner of the



period including the Charleston, the Peabody, the Black Bottom, and more.

Bix Beiderbecke's recording career spanned only six years, but when the American Jazz Hall of Fame selected its very first group of honorees, Bix was there with Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman, and Jelly Roll Morton.

The Dreamland Orchestra is one of just five bands nationwide that play this original hot dance music. Trombonist Michael Arenella organized the Dreamland Orchestra as a proper 11-piece hot dance band, with true period instrumentation and authentic arrangements.

Upcoming MidWeek Jazz Series shows:

April 18 – Living jazz legend **Bucky Pizzarelli** returns for an all-string evening along with Gene Bertoncini, "the Segovia of Jazz guitar," and talented newcomer Ed Laub.