

**OLD ORCHARD BEACH HISTORICAL SOCIETY
HARMON MUSEUM**

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Do you have great memories of dancing at the Old Orchard Beach Casino Ballroom or the Palace Dancehall on West Grand Avenue? Do you recall Guy Lombardo and his Royal Canadians? Did you dance to tunes from the Dorsey Brothers, Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman, or Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong? Were you part of a "Marathon Dance" couple? Did you go to see Celine Dion and others at The Ballpark?

Old Orchard Beach Historical Society volunteers are about to bring back the great memories of the Big Band Era at Harmon Museum at 4 Portland Avenue for the next two summers. In the main exhibit room of Harmon Museum, we are going to feature all types of memorabilia of the "Big Bands" of the thirties through the sixties.

We are inviting you to participate in this exhibit by lending or donating items from the "Big Band Era" to the Harmon Museum. We would love for you to share records, sheet music, newspaper articles, magazines, letters, pins, buttons, pictures, clothing, or any other type of item related to the Big Band Era.

If you would like to assist us with this exhibit, please contact Harmon Museum Curator Jeanne Guerin by calling her at (207)-934-9319 or by e-mail: oobhistsoc@maine.rr.com.

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