

# GLENN ALEXANDER

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## NEWSLETTER - MAY 2025



April showers brings May flowers, so we should have plenty of flowers, people. I know last month I said that I was looking forward to sunshine and warmer temps, well, I'm still looking forward to that as it hasn't really happened yet. Can't wait. Wow! We have lots of live music happenin' in May, June and July and we hope to see you out. Woohoo! I really think spring has sprung!!! .....

**GLENN & ORIA:** Now that the Jukes are no more, Glenn & Oria are booking a ton of gigs. We play both dinner-type music and more rockin' entertainment, depending on the venue and or private event. With nice weather coming, we'll move outdoors for many venues and, in some cases, expand to the four-piece band. Check out the dates below and come and see us ... We will be releasing a cover this month of Janis Joplin's "Mercedes Benz" and are very excited about this little doo dad. Oria had been singing it acapella as Janis did, but then we decided to add bass, drums, guitar and organ to spice it up a bit. We enlisted Gary Dates on drums, who is part of the Glenn & Oria Band, and we called on our good friend, the legendary Bill Champlin to play B3 organ. You know Bill - maybe not by name - as he was in the band Chicago for 28 years, wrote songs, sang and played keys and guitar. Bill also wrote "Turn Your Love Around" (George Benson), "After The Love Is Gone" (Earth Wind & Fire) and a ton of other hits. Bill also has many, many albums out under his own name and I encourage you to search out his music - he is BAD and he sounds fantastic on our remake of Mercedes Benz!!! Keep your eyes & ears open for it ... At the end of the month, Glenn & Oria will fly to

Arkansas to perform at Pig Gig Arkansas at **Pub On The Bricks** in Rogers. We are honored to be part of this all-day event with many other fantastic groups performing, all to raise money for the Fibrolamellar Cancer Foundation in honor of Jay Alexander. We continue to work to raise money and awareness in honor of Jay to try and help save lives. If you can't join us, please consider donating to the Jay Alexander Foundation Inc., a 501c3 tax-deductible charity. There are a few ways to donate: via Venmo at @HeresToJay and by PayPal, also at @HeresToJay ... And don't forget - we're all over social media, so please check us out on: **TikTok**, **YouTube** and **Instagram**, as well as my **Facebook** page and the Glenn & Oria **website**. Like us, follow us and spread the word! .....



*Glenn & Oria Band at Barnacle Bill's in Rumson*



*Chillaxing between sets at the Logan Inn*

**SHADOWLAND:** Tryin' to mix a couple of new Shadowland songs to release soon. Will get it done this month and released just in time for our next performance - we'll be at the great **Triumph Brewery** in Red Bank on June 13th - amazing food and beer and amazing vibe. You

gotta make this hang! We gonna do some news songs and maybe even a few Jukes favorites. Shadowland is also hittin' at the **Wonder Bar** July 5th, so mark your calendars, baby!!! We may even have a special guest or two ... look out now!!! .....

**ETC:** The Mark Twain Prize for American Humor honoring Conan O'Brien will air on **Netflix** May 4th. Hope there is some footage and sounds from The Max Weinberg 7 - I was so fortunate to be a part of the band that night! It was great to play with Max, LaBamba, Mark Pender, Jerry Vivino, Scott Healy and Michael Merritt. We had a blast! Check it out when you can .....

## UPCOMING LIVE DATES

Friday, May 2nd — with Glenn & Oria

Liberty House, 76 Audrey Zapp Drive, Jersey City, New Jersey / 201-395-0300 — [www.libertyhousejc.com](http://www.libertyhousejc.com)

Saturday, May 10th — with Glenn & Oria

Logan Inn, 10 West Ferry Street, New Hope, Pennsylvania / 215-862-2300 — [www.loganinn.com](http://www.loganinn.com)

Friday, May 16th — with Glenn & Oria

The Albion, 570 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey / 908-273-3000 — [thealbionhotels.com](http://thealbionhotels.com)

Saturday, May 17th — with Glenn & Oria

Bar Cilentto Music Festival, 27 Plainfield Road, Stirling, New Jersey / 908-647-2272 — [www.barcilento.com](http://www.barcilento.com)

Thursday, May 22nd — with Glenn & Oria

Felina Steak, 101 South Orange Avenue, South Orange, New Jersey / 973-996-8969 — [www.felinasteak.com](http://www.felinasteak.com)

Friday, May 23rd — with Glenn & Oria BAND

Private Event — Maplewood, New Jersey

Saturday, May 24th — with Glenn & Oria

The Stone House, 50 Stirling Road, Warren, New Jersey / 908-754-1222 — [www.stonehouseatstirlingridge.com](http://www.stonehouseatstirlingridge.com)

Sunday, May 25th — with Glenn & Oria

McLoone's Rum Runner, 816 Ocean Avenue, Sea Bright, New Jersey — [www.mcloonesrumrunner.com](http://www.mcloonesrumrunner.com)

Saturday, May 31st — with Glenn & Oria

Pig Gig Arkansas, 106 West Elm Street, Rogers, Arkansas / 479-335-2071 — [www.pubonthebricksrogers.com](http://www.pubonthebricksrogers.com)