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BLUES SOCIETY OF OMAHA VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY

Tuesday, 4/13 • Ozone at Anthony's-5pm
Free for 2009 BSO Volunteers or with a new or renewed BSO Membership

Band details coming soon!

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RUTHIE FOSTER

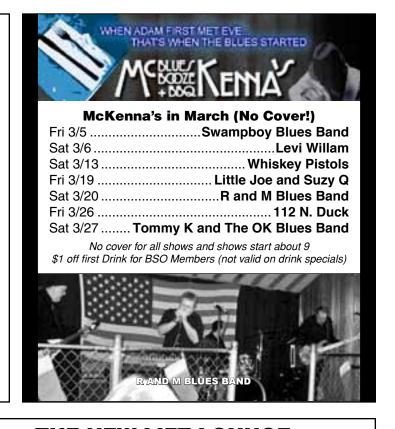
Saturday March 6, 2010 | 8:00 PM 1200 CLUB - Live at the Holland Scott Recital Hall Holland Performing Arts Center







Ruthie Foster's voice is drop-dead gorgeous, especially when tackling the ups and downs of life. Compared to Aretha Franklin, Foster's energy on stage is dazzling. She's an undeniable powerhouse – whether she's belting out a little blues, funk, soul, or jazz.

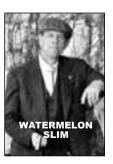


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Sun. 3/21 5:00pm	Sergio Augusto & Tony Moreira
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TH 4/1 5:30pm	Watermelon Slim
	The Bel Airs
TH 4/15 5pm	Uncle Lucius w/ Kris Lager
Sun 4/18 5:00pm	Kalu James & Josh Halverson
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TH 4/20 5:30nm	Lil Ed & The Blues Imperials



DON E. 'TREY' LANGSTON FOUNDATION

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Trey Langston was an avid supporter of what he said "is some of the purest music that reaches into your soul", and the Omaha Blues Society.

On November 21, 2007 Trey passed away, and a group of dedicated family and friends decided to form a foundation in his name that will award vocational scholarships in Iowa and Nebraska as a tribute to a good friend, a loving partner, and a free spirit.

The foundation account has been set up at, and is listed as:

The Don E. 'Trey' Langston Foundation Centris Federal Credit Union 1299 Farnam Street • Omaha NE 68102

We are accepting donations, and inquiries can be emailed to A.C.'Toni' Jones, email address of acjones67@msn.com

I would like to thank the dedicated Foundation Members, the Omaha Blues Society for their hard work, and his friends for their continued support.

"Don't look back on your dust tracks", Trey would say, "and keep the party going"

~~~ A.C. 'Toni' Jones acjones67@msn.com ~~~

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# RICK ESTRIN & THE NIGHTCATS CELEBRATE DEBUT RELEASE WITH A PERFORMANCE IN LINCOLN!

"An amazing blues harmonica player, soulful vocalist and brilliant, original songwriter."

-San Francisco Chronicle

Blues harmonica master /singer/songwriter Rick Estrin & The Nightcats celebrate the release of their debut CD, Twisted, with a live performance in Lincoln on March 24th, 2010. For more than 30 years and nine albums, Estrin fronted the jumping, swinging Little Charlie & The Nightcats, featuring guitarist Little Charlie Baty. With Baty's recent retirement from touring, Estrin—along with the Nightcats' longtime rhythm section of J. Hansen and Lorenzo Farrell and a new member, fiery guitarist Kid Andersen—takes the lead on his own. Concert information is as follows:

Wednesday, March 24th
Zoo Bar
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Lincoln, NE
402.435.8754
www.zoobar.com
6:00 p.m.
Ticket price: TBA



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An exciting new musical pairing has taken place between Debbie Davies and Robin Rogers. The two met at festival in Ritzville, WA last summer and felt an immediate musical connection. Robin is one of the top female voices on the scene

today, along side Janiva Magness, Candye Kane, and Shemekia Copeland,

and Susan Tedeschi, but she is also a soulful harp player. The two perfomed their first show together on Dec. 17th at the Infinity Hall in CT. The audience would not let them go



and so were treated to two and a half hours of music! A Deb and Robin tour has already been booked throughout the midwest in March, and they are receiving Festival offers at this time. Catch them at the Carolina Blues Festial on May 8th, and the Bill Town Blues Festival in PA on June 13th.

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Central Iowa Blues Society at (515) 225-6638 and our website www.cibs.org
The deadline is March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

The 2010 Iowa Blues Challenge is proudly sponsored by Central Iowa Blues Society, Mississippi Valley Blues Society, Lizard Creek Blues Society, Budweiser, KGGO/98.3 WOW., Junior's Motel, Cityview, Rieman Music

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# The Side Effects Compete at the International Blues Challenge

The Blues Society of Omaha is a proud sponsor of Blues Ed, a "non-profit program created to provide an opportunity for young musicians to play with other students in a non-scholastic setting; learning songs from an established list of traditional and contemporary blues music; learning the art of improvisation, the techiques of "jamming", the methodology of rehearsal, and the historical origins of their own popular music."

After winning a local competition between Omaha 's BluesEd Youth Bands, The Side Effects journeyed to Memphis for The International Blues Competition where they competed in the IBC and participated in the Youth Showcase. Although they did not win the IBCs, which is certainly not surprising with 110 bands and 80 solo/duo acts entered, the vast majority of which were adult acts, it sounds like it was a fabulous experience for The Side Effects.

The judges made these comments about The Side Effects performances: "This is why we are here to see this music go forward with young people", "Glad you decided to explore the blues", "Good stage presence. Entertaining, showcased each member well. Each member had individual talent – GREAT FUN! Looking forward to seeing more of your group in future. Refreshing vocals. Youthful spin on the blues", "A lot of talent on that stage. Good mix of material. Keep it going! Some fine guitar work from both. Solid rhythm section. Great singing."

Here are some thoughts from some of The Side Effects on the experience:

#### 1) How did your IBC experience vary from your expectations?

(Sarah, Vocalist) It went above and beyond. It was one of the best experiences in my life and I'm so very thankful we got to attend and perform. Performing more than once was unexpected but amazing. (Tyler, Guitar) A lot more people were involved through-out the city than expected. (Will Drums) I went in to the whole experience not really knowing what to expect. I definitely know there were way more bands than I had anticipated. It was cool to see and meet people from all over the world.

#### 2) Anything interesting happen on your journey?

(Sarah) Getting lost? :)... getting to see the beautiful scenery with no snow! (Tyler) Learned about a different style of life, saw some cool sights on a trolley.

#### 3) What was the highlight of the trip for you?

(Sarah) The high light of my trip was getting to see the other youth groups. To get to compare were they are and were we are to know what to do better. Dancing my butt off every night and meeting other kids my age who enjoy the blues like me. (Will) The highlight of this trip for me was really just getting to spend time with my friends while enjoying an environment that was very different than anything I'd experienced before. (Eva, Vocalist) I appreciate so much the Omaha Blues Society's support, giving us this incredible opportunity to experience blues at its finest, without you guys... this wouldn't have been possible. In this trip, I have learned so much, from the best no less. IBC was not about a competition at all. Creating music should never be competition; we were all there together, to share with each other our passion for blues and our passion for music. With late night Jam sessions, experiencing Memphis in general was just unspeakable, it's so hard to even find words to explain what an amazing experience it was. This trip will defiantly be a memory that I will cherish and hold all through my life. Walking down Beale Street, lined with venues all up and down, music thriving from each and every one of them! I can't lie, I was in heaven, because if I ever pictured heaven it wouldn't be much different at all, lined streets full of deep down true blues, and free no less! J The people there were so gracious, everyone I met old or young became an immediate friend. I wasn't aware how many cool people I would get to meet from all around the world, young and tall, big and small! I felt like Cinderella staying out late almost every night dancing and jamming to the blues. My nerves were literally killing me until we arrived and met all the friendly people, and once I step foot on the stage to sing, it felt amazing. Every performance I felt we not only gave 100 percent, but 200 percent! Everyone was at their best the entire time. We represented the Omaha Blues Society VERY well;) In Retrospect, the only ONE thing I would changed prior to the IBCs would be more originals, definitely. With Love and MUCH thanks.

#### 4) Who was your favorite act you saw perform?

(Sarah) I really enjoyed Skinny Legs and All. They were a youth band we had met the night prior to, feeling that relation helped appreciate them more it seemed. (Tyler) Twister. (Will) We had the pleasure of seeing The Twisters a few times. I loved the energy they brought to their shows.

## 5) In retrospect, what would you have done differently prior to, or at the IBCs?

(Sarah) Prior to I would have practice more... seems you can never get enough of that. At IBC I would have walked around to more venues each night, getting to see as many bands as possible. (Tyler) Do what you can, and have fun with it.

#### 6) What advice would you give future entrants at the IBCs?

(Sarah) Walk around to each venue, get a feel for all the different bands and musicians. Get to know the other youth bands! When performing just have fun, and take it all in. (Will) If I could give any advice to future entrants, I would just say plan ahead. Know where you need to be and when you need to be there.

#### 7) What did you learn at the IBCs?

(Sarah) Music is truly what I love in life,. And getting to see all the other musicians perform taught me a lot, stage presence, confidence etc...

## 8) What song do you think you nailed, and what song was not your best?

(Sarah) Piece of my Heart by Janis Joplin= Best and Life Moves On Love Moves Forward= Not Best (Tyler) Nailed: I don't need no doctor, Not best: Born under a bad sign.

## 9) If you were in charge of the IBCs, what changes in policies and procedures would you make?

(Sarah) I would make the youth show case more of a competition. Make selling CDs available at the venue your performing at.

#### 10) What was the worst part about the trip?

(Sarah) Taking a wrong turn on the way there and being 2 hours late. (Tyler) The Rain.

--Terry O'Halloran

# Blues in March & Apri

[Mon 3/1] Omaha Big Band (06:30pm) (Ozone at Anthony's) Piano Hour (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) The Omaha Big Band (Ozone)

[Tue 3/2] Jazzoracy (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) Kaycee and The Captain (09:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) Little Joe Blue and Big Trouble (Downtown Blues)

[Wed 3/3] Harper (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) Zebra Jam (Downtown Blues)

[Thu 3/4] 112 North Duck (Beer and Loathing in Dundee) Open Jam w/Drunken Intentions (Chrome Lounge) Piano Hour (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) Tinsley Ellis (05:30pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka Murphy's))

[Fri 3/5] Acoustic Groove (Firewater Grill) Acoustic Groove (Fifewater Grill)
Barkin' Irons (Downtown Blues)
Blues Orchestra (Our Place, Ashland)
Charlie Burton (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St.
Lincoln, 402-435-8754)
Randy Pavlock (Sylvester's-Broken Bow, NE)
Swampboy Blues Band (McKenna's)
Tinsley Ellis (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)

my of Rock Showcase (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar.136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Blue House And The Rent To Own Horns (The Prestige) Blue House And I ne Hent 10 Own Horns (The Prestige)
Kris Lager Band (Downtown Blues)
Levi William (McKenna's)
Matt Gagne Blues Experience (Tin Lizzy Tavern)
OK Sisters Trio â° Kate, Karen and Mike (PS Collective)
Ruthie Foster (1200 Club at Holland Center)
Tinsley Ellis (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)

[Sun 3/7]
Elwin James & The Way-Outs (09:00pm) (BarFly,114th and Dodge (fka Shag Vodka Bar))
Norah Jones (Orpheum Theater)
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (03:00pm) (Millard VFW (136th Millard Ave))

[Mon 3/8] Piano Hour (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)

[I ue 3/9]
Jazzocracy (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St.
Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Little Joe Blue and Big Trouble (Downtown Blues)
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (07:00pm) (Louie's Bar and
Grill,5702 Northwest Radial Highwoy

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Cronin Brothers (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Kris Lager Band (Duffy's Tavern,Lincoln)
Zebra Jam (Downtown Blues)

[Thu 3/11]
112 North Duck (Beer and Loathing in Dundee)
Jazz Elements (Ozone)
Kris Lager Band (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Mike Zito (05:30pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka Murphy's))
Open Jam wDrunken Intentions (Chrome Lounge)
Piano Hour (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St.
Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (08:00pm) (Pour House)

[Sat 3/13]
Acoustic Groove (Oscars Pizza & Depris Sports Grill)
Blues Messengers (Duggans Pub)
Blues Orchestra (Ole Dad's, Tecumseh)
Brad Hoshaw's Birthday Bash w/ Son of 76 and the Watchmen
(08:00pm) (Barley Street Tavern)
Drunken Intentions (Kennedy's after dark)
Lil Slim (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Matt Gagne Blues Experience (Shamrocks (formerly No Dogs
Allowed))

Mail daglie blues Experience (Shannocks Allowed)) Prime Cut (T's Tavern) Swampboy Blues Band (Tin Lizzy Tavern) Ts Tavern (Prime Cut) Whiskey Pistols (McKenna's)

[Sun 3/14] Chris Duarte and Bluestone (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (03:00pm) (Millard VFW (136th

Millard Ave))
The Jerry Pranksters (Dead Tribute) (09:00pm) (BarFly,114th and Dodge (fka Shag Vodka Bar))

#### **HEY BANDS & BARS**

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[Mon 3/15] Piano Hour (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)

[Tue 3/16] George Burle and The Scroogleking Players (09:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) Little Joe Blue and Big Trouble (Downtown Blues) Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (07:00pm) (Louie's Bar and Grill,5702 Northwest Radial Highway)

[Wed 3/17]
Anchondo w/ Secret Weapon (07:00pm) (BarFly,114th and Dodge (fka Shag Vodka Bar))
Blue House And The Hent To Own Horns (08:00pm) (Clancy's 188th Street, 168th & Center)
Cowboy Dave Band (Knickerbockers)
Kris Lager Band (Barley Street Tavern)
Rhythm Collective Reggae w/ Lubriphonic (05:30pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka Murphy's))
Swampboy Blues Band (07:00pm) (Why Not Bar)
The Insomniacs (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln, 402-435-8754)
The Mezcal Brothers (09:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln, 402-435-8754)
Zebra Jam (Downtown Blues) Zebra Jam (Downtown Blues)

[Thu 3/18]
Debbie Davies and Robin Rogers (05:30pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka Murphy's))
Higher Pursuit (Ozone)
Open Jam w/Drunken Intentions (Chrome Lounge)
Piano Hour (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar, 136 N. 14th St.
Lincoln, 402-435-8754)
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (08:00pm) (Pour House)

[Fri 3/19]
Acoustic Groove (Brazen Head)
Burgundy and Gray (Tropics Bar and Grill)
Drunken Intentions (Whiskey Roadhouse at Horseshoe)
Hundred Miles (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar, 136 N. 14th St.
Lincoln, 402-435-8754)
John Walker (Mojava)
Levi Willam (The Roadhouse)
Little Joe and Suzy Q (Mc Kenna's)
Matt Cox Band w Guests Noah Earle (Barley Street Tavern)
Son del Llano (Zoo Bar, 136 N. 14th St. Lincoln, 402-435-8754)

[Sat 3/20]
112 North Duck (Downtown Blues)
Acoustic Groove (Brazen Head)
Blind Dog Fulton (Grandmother's)
Kris Lager Band (Zoo Bar, 136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Levi Willam (Boban "s Tavern)
R and M Blues Band (Mc Kenna's)
Swampboy Blues Band (Corner Bar-Fremont)
Tommy K Band (07:00pm) (Bowley's Bistro)

[Sun 3/21]
Acoustic Showcase w/ BMT, Chris Glover, Weeping Figs (09:00pm) (BarFly,114th and Dodge (fka Shag Vodka Bar))
Sergio Auguso & Tony Moreira: Bossa Nova (05:00pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka Murphy's))
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (03:00pm) (Millard VFW (136th Millard Ave))

[Mon 3/22] Mike Gurciullos Las Vegas Lab Band (06:30pm) (Ozone at Piano Hour (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)

[Tue 3/23]
Jazzocracy (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St.
Little Joe Blue and Big Trouble (Downtown Blues)
Swampjan (weekly blues jam) (07:00pm) (Louie's Bar and
Grill,5702 Northwest Radial Highway)

[Wed 3/24] Zebra Jam (Downtown Blues)

[Thu 3/25]
112 North Duck (Beer and Loathing in Dundee)
AOR Blues Class Showcase (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln, 402-435-8754)
Blues Messengers (09:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln, 402-435-8754)
Josh Carrett & The Bottom Line (05:30pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka Murphy's))
Open Jam w/Drunken Intentions (Chrome Lounge)
Piano Hour (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln, 402-435-8754)
Steve Raybine (06:30pm) (Ozone at Anthony's)
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (08:00pm) (Pour House) [Thu 3/25]

[Fri 3/26] 112 N. Duck (McKenna's) Blues from the Five (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln, 402-435-8754) Blues Orchestra (The Roadhouse, Lincoln) Little Black Stereo (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln, 402-435-8754) Swampboy Blues Band (Our Place, Ashland) Wheezetones Band (Red 9)

[Sat 3/27] Burgundy and Gray (The Corner Bar, Fremont) John Walker (Blue Moon Coffee House) Learning to Floyd (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754

Son of 76 and the Watchmen w/ Little Black Stereo, Matt Cox (O'Leaver's)
Tommy K and The OK Blues Band (McKennas)

Lymphnodemaniacs (09:00pm) (BarFly,114th and Dodge (fka Shag Vodka Bar))
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (03:00pm) (Millard VFW (136th Millard Ave)

[Mon 3/29] Piano Hour (05:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)

[Tue 3/30]
Acoustic Showcase (09:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Jazzocracy (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Little Joe Blue and Big Trouble (Downtown Blues)
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (07:00pm) (Louie's Bar and Grill,5702 Northwest Radial Highway)

[Wed 3/31] Lil Slim Blues Band (09:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) Watermelon Slim (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) Zebra Jam (Downtown Blues)

[Thu 4/1]
Open Jam w/Drunken Intentions (Chrome Lounge)
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (08:00pm) (Pour House)
The Hundred Miles (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St.
Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Watermelon Slim (05:30pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka
Murphy's))

[Fri 4/2] Tijuana Gigolos (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)

[Sat 4/3] Prime Cut (Midway Tavern)

[Sun 4/4] Lunar Light Project w/ Funk Trek, Lymph-node Maniacs (09:00pm) (BarFly,114th and Dodge (fka Shag Vodka Bar))

[Wed 4/7] Swampboy Blues Band (07:00pm) (Why Not Bar)

[Thu 4/8] Open Jam w/Drunken Intentions (Chrome Lounge) Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (08:00pm) (Pour House) The Bel Airs (05:30pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka Murphy's))

[Fri 4/9] Tijuana Gigolos (06:30pm) (Duggan's Pub,440 S. 11th St.,402-477-3513) Trampled Under Foot (08:00pm) (BarFly,114th and Dodge (fka Shag Vodka Bar))

[Sun 4/11]

Swampjam Millard Ave)) m (weekly blues jam) (03:00pm) (Millard VFW (136th

[Mon 4/12] Mike Zito (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)

[Thu 4/15]

[Thu 4/15] Billy Bacon and his Porkestra (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)
Open Jam w/Drunken Intentions (Chrome Lounge)
Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (08:00pm) (Pour House)
Uncle Lucius w/ Kris Lager Band (05:00pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka Murphy's))

[Fri 4/16] Acoustic Groove (Firewater Grill) Billy Bacon and his Porkestra (09:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754)

[Sat 4717] Billy Bacon and his Porkestra (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln,402-435-8754) Kris Lager Band (Mc Kenna's) Swampboy Blues Band (The Firebarn Sports Bar and Grill)

[Sun 4/18] Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (03:00pm) (Millard VFW (136th Millard Ave))

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Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (08:00pm) (Pour House)
Too Slim & The Taildraggers (05:30pm) (The New Lift Lounge (fka Murphy's))

[Fri 4/23] [Fri 4/23] Acoustic Groove (Brazen Head) Billy Bacon and his Porkestra (06:00pm) (Zoo Bar,136 N. 14th St. Lincoln, 402-435-875) Swampboy Blues Band (07:00pm) (Soaring Wings Vineyard)

[Sat 4/24] Acoustic Groove (Brazen Head)

[Thu 4/29] Lil' Ed and the Blues Imperials (05:30pm) (The New Lift Lounge Lil' Ed and the block ..., (fka Murphy's)) Open Jam w/Drunken Intentions (Chrome Lounge) Swampjam (weekly blues jam) (08:00pm) (Pour House)

[Fri 4/30] Swampboy Blues Band (12th Street Pub)

#### **OPEN BLUES JAMS:**

**WEDNESDAYS: The Original Zebra Jam** at Downtown Blues THURSDAYS: Drunken Intentions host at Chrome (84th & Park Drive ) THURSDAYS: SwampJam at Pour House (97th & Mockingbird) SUNDAYS: Afternoon SwampJam 3pm-7pm at Millard VFW (136th & "Q" St.)



#### RANDY SABIEN AND THE FIDDLEHEAD BAND Friday, March 5, 2010 • 8:00 PM

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Congratulations Jim Davis! Jim's name was drawn from the Playing with Fire survey entries and won two tickets to the B.B. King/Buddy Guy concert. Thanks to everyone for taking the survey. Playing with Fire appreciates your feedback and looks forward to having BSO with us in 2010. Watch the PwF website for information on the upcoming 2010 concert series...

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All the best, Jeff Davis

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# O.B.S. MAILBAG

Dear Affiliate representative:

At the Affiliate Roundtable during the 26th International Blues Challenge, I gave the affiliate representatives the following heads up:

- 1. We know the 27th IBC will end on Saturday, February 5. We are not yet sure when it will start. the FedEx International Showcase maybe on Tuesday and the actual IBC may start on Wednesday. There may be quarterfinals on Wednesday and Thursday, semi-finals on Friday and finals on Saturday.
- 2. All affiliate may be required to conduct a live competition and exceptions, if we even allow any, will be subject to advance approval.
- 3. The Board of Directors approved a \$25 increase in affiliate dues to \$125. When you renew this summer, the cost will be \$125. They have been at \$100 since before most anyone can remember.

The IBC committee will work on the first two and finalize these as quickly as possible. If already have a competition, you have nothing to worry about. If you do not already have a competition, but you are going to produce one this year, you have nothing to worry about. If you are hoping to send someone without a competition, you best start talking to me real soon and have a real good reason. And even that may not work!!

Jay Sieleman

Executive Director • The Blues Foundation

(Editor's Note: If you would like to help organize the competition here in the Omaha metro, please contact Terry Sedivy at tsedivy@ yahoo.com)

Burgundy and Gray will be appearing at the Glamourous new Tropics Bar & Grill at 168th and West Maple Road on March 19th 9pm to 1am. Thank you Regina Spellman

Hi Terry! Would you kindly ad our upcoming show to the blues calendar? The Barkin' Irons at Downtown Blues 1512 Howard street Friday March 5th 9pm-1am with special guest Andrew Malashock. Thank you!

Clint Lawrence

I joined the Omaha Blues Society about three years ago and I just want to say that it has been one of the best things that I have ever done. I have had the opportunity to meet some really Cool people and seen a lot of Kick Ass blues bands. I have also enlarged my music collection by a couple of thousand songs. So thank you Omaha Blues Society. Lets keep the Blues alive in 2010.

Jim Davis

Hello, my name is Derek Daniels. I am the drummer for BJ Allen & Blue Voodoo Blues Band out of Kirksville, Mo. Our band is currently a member of the Mo Blues Society out of Central Missouri. We just got back from the IBC. We had a great time down there too. The reason for this email is, we are interested in playing up in your area. Kirksville is not a very big town. I was wondering if we could send your Blues Society a package of our music, so you could hear our sound. I didn't know if you all had any festivals coming up that we might be able to fill a slot or not. Also, is there a good website that lists the clubs up in your area that have live bands? Thanks so much for your time. -Derek Daniels You may get in touch with me at gretschrockon@hotmail.com

Dear Friends and Family,

I'm dictating this note to my dear friend Tim Scott, composed to express how grateful I am for the outpouring of love and support you have all shown me by organizing a Medical Benefit for me, not to mention all the notes, cards and miscellaneous contributions I have received since I became legally blind. I feel overwhelmed and deeply honored by the huge turn-out on my behalf at the benefit. I want to thank each and every one of the musicians that performed, as well as the organizers, volunteers and contributors. I would like to thank Craig Balderston for being my Brother-in-Arms, Terry O'Halloran for his generosity and incredible effort and B.J. for her love and support. Once again, I'm deeply moved and proud to be able to call you all my good friends and I'm proud to be a member of the Blues Society of Omaha. I will be having my first eye surgery on March 4th and the second eye will be operated on April 8th. I will be looking forward to "seeing" you all in the very new future. This wouldn't be possible without your help--thank you from the bottom of my heart. I love each and every one of you.

> Most sincerely, Brad Cordle

Hey Everybody!!!,

Here are some dates for shows we will be playing. If you get a chance, we would LOVE to see you! Don't forget - The More You Drink, The Better We Sound!!

-Tommy K

Fri. & Sat. March 12th & 13th - Prime Cut @ T's Tavern - Council Bluffs, IA 9pm-1:30am

Sat. March 20th - Tommy K Band @ Bowley's Bistro - Malvern, IA - 7pm-11pm

Sat. March 27th - Tommy K & The OK Blues Band @ McKenna's - Omaha, NE 9pm-1am

Sat. April 3rd - Prime Cut @ Midway Tavern - Soldier, IA - 9pm-1am If any club owners out there have any open dates, please keep us in mind!!!

#### In Memory of Lil' Dave Thompson 1969 - 2010

A support fund has been set up by the family of Lil' Dave Thompson. There is also updated information on how to contact the family and funeral arrangments have been finalized. Additionally, there are some corrections to the family list I had previously sent.

Contributions to the family can be mailed to: Community Bank • PO Box 28 • Indianola, MS 38751 or wire transfer to routing # 084204301 for the benefit of Dave "Lil' Dave" Thompson c/o John Thompson

Direct mail to the family can be sent to John Thompson • PO Box 512 • Moorhead, MS 38761

email to John Thompson: thomp964@bellsouth.net The funeral for Lil' Dave Thompson will be at

2:00pm Saturday February 27th, 2010 Bell Grove Mission Baptist Church

1301 BB King Rd • Indianola, MS 38751

Lil' Dave is survived by his children: David Jr. (20), Danielle (19), Shequeena (18), Shirleiah (16) and Destiny (13); sisters Patricia, Barbara Denise (twin sister), Jennifer and Pasty Thompson, Zenovia Henderson and Rose Marie Richmond; and brothers John, Sam, Elijah Allen and Tyrone Thompson.

# The Blues Foundation Launches GENERATION BLUES Extending Youth Outreach Beyond Schools

Free Foundation Membership Offered to Youths Aged 21 and Under

[Memphis, TN] February 8, 2010. The Blues Foundation announces the expansion of its youth education initiative with Generation Blues. This scholarship program will allow qualified applicants under the age of 25 to study their instrument of choice at reputable camps, seminars and workshop programs at Port Townsend Acoustic Blues Festival, Augusta Heritage Center and Fernando Jones' Columbia College Blues Camp.

Camps, seminars and workshops attended by Generation Blues scholarship recipients may take place throughout the year, in the recipients' choice of locations. Participants are awarded the scholarships on a bi-annual basis, and participation is open to anyone under the age of 25 and interested in the blues. Applicants must write a letter of intent and provide letters of recommendation. Video submissions are also accepted. First deadline for submissions

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Blues Foundation board member and leader in the Generation Blues initiative Cassie Taylor adds that "this is a wonderful way to ensure the future of the blues by helping young people get the education they need and deserve to help them grow as a blues artist." Taylor started her career in blues music as a teenager when she toured successfully with her father, trance blues artist Otis Taylor.

Generation Blues joins a number of other successful youth initiatives launched by The Blues Foundation, including the popular Blues in the Schools which supports blues educators by providing a classroom curriculum that incorporates elements of history, math, English, music, and other disciplines as they can relate to the entire blues industry of making and promoting blues music. Youths under age 21 may also take advantage of free individual membership of The Blues Foundation.

By offering individuals up to the age of 21 free membership, the Foundation invites even more young blues lovers to get started on a lifetime of participation in the activities of their local blues society and The Blues Foundation. Generation Blues is one of the latest programs announced to further assist blues musicians and those making their careers within the blues music community. Also recently announced was the Foundation's alliance with Sound Healthcare, providing healthcare benefits and access to insurance programs to those in need within the blues community.

The Blues Foundation is Memphis-based, but worldrenown as THE organization dedicated to preserving our blues music history, celebrating recording and performance excellence, supporting blues education and ensuring the future of this uniquely American art form. Founded in 1980, TBF has 3500 individual members and 185 affiliated local blues societies representing another 50,000 fans and professionals around the world. Its signature honors and events make it the international center of blues music. Its HART Fund provides the blues community with medical assistance while its Sound Healthcare program offers musicians health insurance access. TBF's Blues in the Schools programming exposes new generations to blues music. Throughout the year, the Foundation staff serves the worldwide Blues community with answers, contact information and news.

### **OBS BAND DIRECTORY**

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# Stacy Mitchhart lights up The New Lift Lounge in April



















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# CD Reviews



## The Disciples of Sound

Rating: 5

DISCIPLE OF SOUND

When the band Indigenous split up, Mato Nanji (guitar, vocals) kept the name and continues to tour under that moniker. While it took awhile longer, younger brother, Pte

(paa-tay) or 'Little Buffalo Man' followed his muse and formed a much heavier sounding band, 'Disciples of Sound' (DOS). The band consists of Pte (listed as Buffalo on the liner notes), Ed Miles and Nate Boff. A three track EP of the Austin based band recently surfaced along with a developing presence on the social networking site, Facebook.

According to the legendary British deejay Ally Lee, "If you like Storyville you will adore this band."

The early permutations of DOS image and sound can be heard and seen on the Indigenous ep 'Long Way Home.' This seven song EP was produced by family friend Jesse Davey (The Hoax, Davey Brothers). While the DOS 'sound' is removed from blues, it is blues based and akin to a chain-

saw plodding Chris Duarte presence. The ep opens with an electric version of 'Devils in My Head' which features Pte and Mato's sister Wanbdi on drums along with Jesse Davey

on organ and guitars. The disc also features the tracks 'All Red' and an acoustic version of 'Devils in My Head.'

This is a band that the majority of "blues" fans may warm to slowly. Employing a heavy bottom sound with howling vocals and that noted atonal Austin "thud," the band is a clear departure from Pte's previous national band. Receiving continual airplay on the British 'Lionheart Radio,' DOS clearly resonates with an

industrial leaning audience that moves easily from Stevie Ray Vaughan to Metallica and, perhaps, it is the sonic flexibility that will prove to be DOS' calling card to building a larger audience.

--Rick Galusha

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