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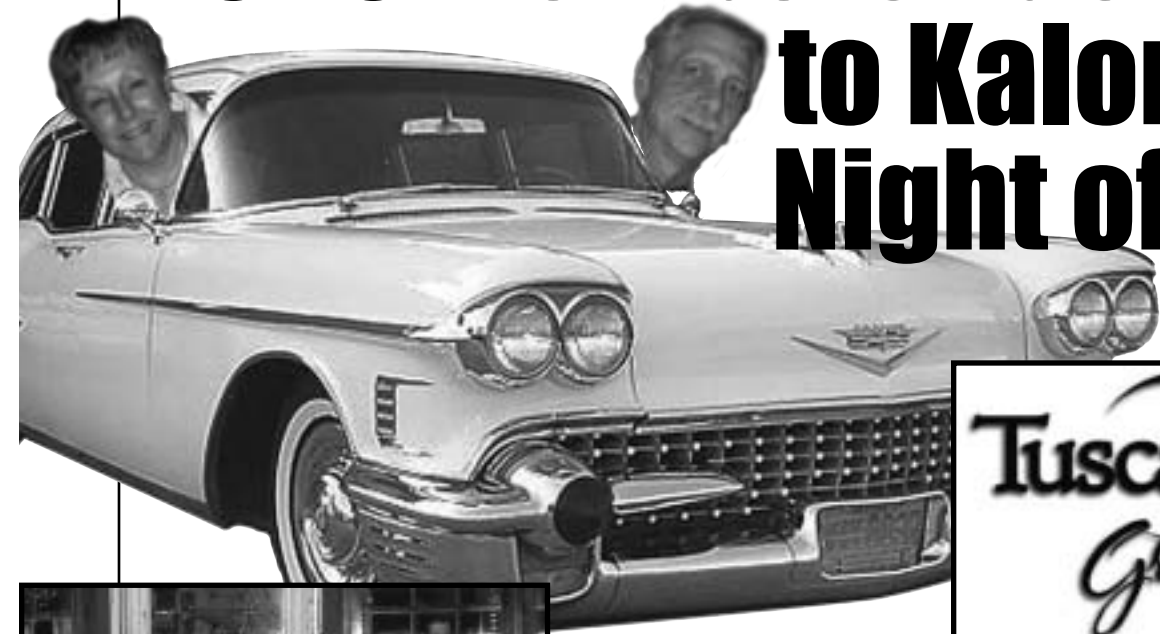
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- 6-10 PM - Da Blues with Bobby D
- 10-11 PM - The Crawfish Circuit
- 11 PM -midnight - The Melting Pot
- Midnight Blues CD



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LCBS Members Pack Limos to Kalona for a Night of Blues!



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Perry Weber

The DeVilles light up Checkers Tavern!



photos by Bill Ray



Perry Weber, long time fixture on the Milwaukee blues scene, has again struck out on his own and formed a new band that will showcase his considerable talents.

Formed in early 2007, and based in Milwaukee, WI., Perry Weber & The DeVilles are one of the most exciting Blues/Roots groups to come on the scene in a while! Featuring Perry Weber on guitar & vocals, Dave Kasik on bass & vocals, Ben Rickun on harmonica and Vic Span on drums. The band serves up all flavors from the Blues/Roots genre: Deep Chicago, West-coast swing, Memphis Soul, Old school Boogie-Woogie, Funky New Orleans grooves, with a few honky-tonk tunes tossed in for good measure!

The Linn County Blues Society is a way cool, non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of Blues music in Eastern Iowa as well as to provide charitable contributions to other community organizations. LCBS is an Affiliated Organization in the Blues Foundation's international network. The BLUESPAPER is a monthly publication of the LCBS. Website: lcbs.org



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we were both raised up in the same town on the Mississippi River in Western Illinois, Rock Island ... those decades in age between us didn't separate us as good friends ... and I was honored to have presented the River Road Lifetime Achievement Award to Francis at the Mississippi Valley Blues Festival a few years ago ... in our home area ... and the icing on the cake was being asked by Francis a few weeks before the presentation ... if I would please put together a seven-piece blues band featuring Midwest/regional 'all-stars' to perform with him at the festival. It was a grand day. The crowd was huge, and included many of Francis's hometown relatives ... he was most gracious as we acknowledged his contributions to the blues and the Universe with the award presentation. The mayor of Davenport, IA presented him with the key to the city. Francis smiled broadly as we played our short set ... that included the jazz instrumental, "Caravan," ... yes, with Francis taking a superb extended drum solo. Francis was very happy. That is how I will remember him. R.I.P. Francis Clay.

In fond memory,
Michael "Hawkeye" Herman
HawkeyeHerman.com

Blind Pig vinyl

Virgin vinyl LPs released!



Blind Pig Records, one of the world's leading independent American roots music labels, has announced that it will begin issuing high-quality 180 gram virgin vinyl LPs. The first three titles to be released as part of the "Master Vinyl Series" will be The Lost Tapes by Muddy Waters, Drinkin' TNT 'n' Smokin' Dynamite by Buddy Guy and Junior Wells, and Painkiller by Tommy Castro. These limited-edition pressings will be released on May 6, 2008, the same date as Blind Pig's CD release by Kenny Neal, entitled Let Life Flow.

Blind Pig plans to issue a select number of titles this year under the Master Vinyl Series, most likely three at a time.

"This is in response to the growing audiophile market for high-quality LPs," said label president Edward Chmielewski. "And for those of us who fondly remember listening to LPs in the 60s and 70s, it's a lot of fun to return to that format. For one, it's great to have the larger artwork canvases afforded by the LP packaging, and the warmth and depth of the sound quality on these new versions is amazing. And it's kind of cool to come full circle back to the LP, the only format we were selling when we started the label in 1977."

Added label owner Jerry Del Giudice, "It's interesting that there are a growing number of young listeners that are enjoying not only the enhanced sound quality of the LP but the social nature of listening to and discovering music with a group of friends."

The Muddy Waters release consists of live recordings from 1971 and features the blues icon in strong performances with his legendary band members - Pinetop Perkins, George "Harmonica" Smith, Sammy Lawhorn, Pee Wee Madison, Calvin "Fuzz" Jones and Willie "Big Eyes" Smith.

The Buddy Guy and Junior Wells album was recorded live in 1974 at the Montreux Jazz Festival, with the dynamic duo backed on bass by Rolling Stone Bill Wyman. Wyman licensed the recording to Blind Pig, and over the years it has steadily remained the all-time best-selling title in the label's catalog.

Tommy Castro's Painkiller is the latest studio masterpiece from the virtuoso performer of blue collar Rock 'n' Soul music. It was just voted "Album of the Year 2007" by the readers of Blueswax, the largest subscribed blues publication in the world. The recording was produced by the renowned John Porter, who's noted for his work with Los Lonely Boys, Santana, and Buddy Guy, among others. The LP will mark the first vinyl release of Castro's distinguished seventeen year career.

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Local Music



March Blues Calendar

Sat. 1	Yacht Club, Iowa City Chappy's Safari Chrome Horse Fifth Gear	McMurrin & Johnson & Demo Band, 10-1 Copper Moon Super Size Seven Electric Mule 9-1
Sun. 2	Mahoney's Irish Pub	Euforquestra 6-10PM
Tues. 4	Rumors Jam, 8-11	Mike & Andy (Electric Mule) & Dan Johnson
Thur. 6	J.M. O'Malley's Firehouse	DDog and the BBits 9-1 Mike & Rob Show 8:30-12:30
Fri. 7	Ernie's Chrome Horse The Hub, Cedar Falls Teegan's Ice Bar, CR	Billy Janey and Dan Johnson 6-8:45P Billy Janey Trio, DJ & Eric Madison 9-1 Blue Band 5:30-9PM Electric Mule 9-1
Sat. 8	Surf Ballroom, Clear Lake Chappy's Safari Drinks, North Liberty Chrome Horse Knightspot, Springville	Billy Janey Trio w/ Dan Johnson Bryce Janey Johnny Kilowatt Band 9-1 Mack & The Bulldogs Mike & Rob Show 9-1
Sun. 9	Mahoney's Irish Pub	Max Allen Band 6-10PM
Tues. 11	Rumors	4BoxORocks Jam 8-11PM
Wed. 12	Next Door	McMurrin & Johnson 7-10PM
Fri. 14	Ernie's Next Door Chrome Horse Duma's, Marion	McMurrin & Johnson 6-8:45PM 4BoxORocks 9-1 Lockren Mike & Rob Show 8:30-12:30
Sat. 15	Chappy's Safari Chrome Horse Tycoon	Dennis McMurrin Band & Bob Thompson Well Lit Electric Mule 9-1
Sun. 16	Checkers Tavern Mahoney's Irish Pub	Governor of Funk Stew 6-10PM Bill Smith 6-10PM
Mon. 17	Ernie's, St. Pat's Chrome Horse, St. Pat's Open Throttle, Shellsburg	McMurrin & Johnson 3-6PM Jeff Bruner 3PM Mike & Rob Show 9-1
Tues. 18	Rumors Jam	Billy Janey 8-11PM
Thur. 20	J.M. O'Malley's	Flying Carp
Fri. 21	City Beat Chrome Horse Rumors	McMurrin & Johnson 7-10PM 3 Musicians & A Drummer Electric Mule 9-1
Sat. 22	Ernie's, St. Joe's Day Chappy's Safari Chrome Horse Super Dave's, Walford	McMurrin & Johnson 1-4PM Sky Pilot Gimikk Mike & Rob Show 9-1
Sun. 23	Mahoney's Irish Pub	Hunab 6-10PM
Mon. 24	George's Buffet, IC	CannonSaul, Kilowatt and the Count 8-12
Tues. 25	Rumors	DNA Band Reunion 8-11PM
Wed. 26	Sammy's	McMurrin & Johnson 9PM
Fri. 28	Chrome Horse Cedar Lodge, Manchester	Gibbs Brothers Mike & Rob Show 9-1
Sat. 29	Chappy's Safari Chrome Horse Mill Stream Brewery	James Kinds Swingin' Richard Electric Mule 6-10PM, Amana
Sun. 30	Mahoney's Irish Pub	Detagoh 6-10PM


Wednesday, March 26: Eddy (The Chief) Clearwater will perform at Riverside Casino in the Show Lounge (no cover). Show starts at 7 PM.

EVERY Sun.- Checkers Tavern-Blue Sunday-6PM
Sun.- Mahoney's - Various artists-Never a Cover, 6pm
Sun.- Charlie's, Coralville-Blues Jam
Tues. - Rumors - Jam hosted by Dan DJ Johnson 8-11P
Wed.- Checkers Tavern-Kevin BF Burt solo 6-9
Wed.- Mahoney's-D-Licious Vinyl w/ Bobby D 8-12
Thurs.-J.M.O'Malley's-T-Bone Giblin Jam Fest

The LCBS meets the 1st Monday of each month.
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KUNI Blues Blowout was a blast!

Tommy Castro dish'n out hot blues on a cold night!



photos by David Andrews and Kim Brostad



Left; Tommy Castro leads his band through smokin' hot Blues on one heck of a cold night at the Electric Park Ballroom in Waterloo.



Hi, my name is David Andrews. Does anyone have a lampshade I can wear?



Left; Tommy Castro gets out in the crowd to share the moment he's having!



Above; Also appearing with Tommy Castro was Magic Dick singing and blowing his harp.



Tommy Castro's band, along with Deanna Bogart, alternating on keyboards and tenor sax, and Magic Dick on harp. The Tommy Castro band includes Keith Crossan on sax, Tom Poole on trumpet, Chris Sandoval on drums, Des Moines' own Scot Sutherland on bass, and Steve Spirn on guitar. Magic Dick and the band played a couple old J. Geils hits.

Francis Clay 1923-2008

Francis Clay Born 11/16/23, Rock Island, IL - Died. 1/22/08, San Francisco, CA
Blues legend Francis Clay, former long-time Muddy Waters drummer, played with a who's who of Jazz and R&B icons, including Charlie Parker, Jay McShann, Billy Holiday, Little Walter, Lightnin Hopkins, John Lee Hooker, Sonny Boy Williamson, Otis Spann, Big Mama Thornton, and James Cotton (who started the original James Cotton Blues Band with Clay in 1966). Charlie Watts of the Rolling Stones raved about watching Francis play back in the 1960s with Muddy, saying, "Clay was one of the most exciting drummers he'd ever seen and heard."



Francis Clay was a kind, intelligent, gentle man, super musician, extraordinary poet/writer ... and a longtime friend ... to many. I was honored to have been in the wide circle of people who knew and loved Francis Clay. Although from different eras, Francis and I are 'homeboys' ...

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Daniel Arthur's March blues

danielarthurs.net

- Sat. 1 Billey Lee
- Mon. 3 Adam Beck
- Tue. 4 Adam Beck
- Wed. 5 Bryce Janey
- Thur. 6 Kimberly Malloy
- Fri. 7 Mark Moss
- Sat. 8 Craig Erickson
- Mon. 10 Adam Beck
- Tue. 11 Tim Daughtery
- Wed. 12 Perry Carver
- Thur. 13 Adam Beck
- Fri. 14 Haley Faith
- Sat. 15 Terry McCauley
- Mon. 17 Adam Beck
- Tue. 18 Jason Brown
- Wed. 19 Bryce Janey
- Thur. 20 Kevin BF Burt
- Fri. 21 Justin Crippen,
- Sat. 22 Adam Beck
- Mon. 24 Adam Beck
- Tue. 25 Chris Miller
- Wed. 26 Tim Daughtery
- Thur. 27 Kevin BF Burt
- Fri. 28 Terry McCauley
- Sat. 29 Bryce Janey
- Mon. 31 Adam Beck



Peter Karp -Shadows and Cracks
Alligator Records
Release Date - June 26, 2007
Fell Through the Cracks

We've had this one at the station for a while and I never got to it until recently. Great songwriting blending the blues with Americana characterize this album. Peter Karp was a military kid who spent his early years moving around from New Jersey to Southern Alabama and picking up musical styles wherever he went. Fine guitar playing and singing work with the 12 original songs to make for good listening. This CD has a real Texas/country side filtered through the blues that made me think of Austin. Intelligent songs keep your attention and the stories match up with the grooves. This guy has a better vocabulary than I do. My wife even likes it. It should be easy to find since it's on Alligator Records. Highly recommended.

—John Heim (A.K.A. "Big Mo")

*You're just like crosstown traffic
So hard to get through to you
Crosstown traffic
I don't need to run over you.
— Jimi Hendrix*



mother & daughter deal blues! Janiva Magness & Jacqueline Krain share the stage at Riverside

Review and photos by Bill Ray

Luckily, the roads were good for a few days, and the people who drove to Riverside Casino Friday night heard a fantastic concert by Jacqueline Krain and the Tornadoes and the Janiva Magness band.



The Show Lounge entertainment manager was ecstatic about the large crowd and the great music. I think he's going to be promoting more blues bands at this venue. There were so many people



that they set up rows of chairs on the dance floor, forcing the die-hard dancers to dance in the corners and the aisles. There wasn't a weak moment in the three hour plus show. The musicianship of all the members of both bands was excellent. The road-tested pros of the Los Angeles-based



Janiva Magness band brought long applause and raves from the crowd. And of course, both of those two women lead vocalists can really belt out a song. A highlight toward the end of the concert was when mother and daughter shared the stage for an extended, crowd-pleasing rendition of the old standard, "Fever."

The quick forty mile drive to Riverside Casino from Cedar Rapids is well worth the effort to hear blues bands like these. Good music is where you find it.



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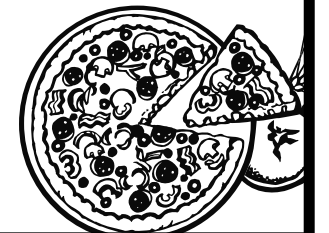
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