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WHATS HAPPENIN' IN "MOUNTAINS OF BLUES":

BULLETIN BOARD (Parkersburg Area)-

If you are planning on going to Columbus for "Trad Fest" and would like someone to share the ride, gas, etc... call Chuck Dailey, P-burg @ 304-485-0816

"Blues guitarist"- Looking for a blues guitar player in Parkersburg area? Are there any blues jams/open mics around? Please contact WVBluesSociety via Mountains of Blues

READERS WRITE-

thanks again for the shout-out Beth... and have a safe return trip from The Centennial State...

nice to hear from tTKaRn'... as far as your question "wonder what has happened to *DENNIS McCLUNG BLUES BAND*?"... ain't doing much lately since New Years Eve in Parkersburg... but with the arrival of spring they're firing it up again...

Mar 14th Molla's Banquet Center, Morgantown

June 6th Blues Nite Out/Howlin' Wolf Birthday Party, P-burg

July 17th Little Yough Summer Music Fest, Oakland, MD

July 18th Riverside Blues Fest, Elkins

no Jimmy, sorry... ain't got no idea where ya "get a glimpse" of *DEREK TRUCKS* @ Mountain Stage on website?

thank you Robin of [UNION HALL THEATER](#), Chesterhill, OH... we gon make ere effort to git da.... UHT host *WILLIE PHOENIX* Sat Feb 28th...

thank you [BISCUIT ROLLERS](#) and [POPS WALKER](#)... and we gonna RSVP y'all, soon as we know something more our own selves....

PASSING-

Wed Feb 18th *SNOOKS EAGLIN*, a man whose name was synonymous with New Orleans died due to complications of prostate cancer. He was 72. Snooks checked into Ochsner Medical Center, New Orleans last week. With regret, he told his step-daughter, "I've got to call Quint Davis and tell him I won't make it to Jazz Fest."

Blinded from glaucoma at a young age, he made his first recording in 1952. Recorded by folklorist Dr. Harry Oster in 1958 on the Folkways, Folk-Lyric, and Prestige/Bluesville labels. This began a brilliant recording career with releases later on Imperial, Sonet, Black Top, and Money Pit Records. He also recorded as a session guitarist with Professor Longhair and the Wild Magnolias.

QUOTE:

"The world around us might want to find differences between people, but in the blues we find a beautiful commonality... All it takes to join the brotherhood of the blues is an open heart..."

CHIP EAGLE (Blues Revue/'From the Top' Apr 2009)

ZYDECO IN LEWISBURG-

Nestled in the Alleghenies, [Carnegie Hall](#) is one of only four Carnegie's in the world. Built in 1902 by steel baron and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie as a classroom building for the Lewisburg Female Institute, later the Greenbrier College for Women. Incorporated 1983 as a regional nonprofit arts & education center. For 25 years, Carnegie Hall, Lewisburg has operated as a regional center for the arts.

TERRANCE SIMIEN, an eighth-generation Creole, whos family was one of the first to settle in St. Landry Parish, LA. He and his wife/manager, Cynthia, lobbied for the creation of a Grammy zydeco-Cajun music category for six years. Hard work paid off and in 2008 their album "Live Worldwide" was a Grammy winner.

Friday Feb 27th Carnegie Hall continues their tradition of excellence with [TERRANCE SIMIEN & THE ZYDECO EXPERIENCE](#). Tickets range from \$19 to \$31 and can be reserved online. Check out these Grammy winners in a beeee-uu-tee-ful setting.

CBA TRAD FEST-

The good folks of the [Columbus Blues Alliance](#) having their 14th Annual "Traditional Acoustic Blues Fest" Sat Feb 28th. Always do a great job with this and certain this year will be same. Holiday Inn Worthington, 7007 N. High St, Worthington OH. Two stages with music beginning at 4PM. Not sure if still rooms available, but if you check, use code "CBA" to make reservations. Admission \$20 for CBA members, \$25 non-members. Member prices available for members of the Blues Foundation and affiliates.

LEGACY GALA CANCELLED-

The [Charleston Blues Society](#) is sorry to announce that the "Legacy Gala" honoring the famous, infamous and under recognized WV African American artists, has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Was to be held @ Coonskin Park Clubhouse Sat Mar 7th. However, they ask all to come to Heritage Towers Sat Feb 28th, 5-7pm for FREE reception featuring music, discussion and photo exhibit of legendary WV African American musicians, vocalists, venues and more. Exhibit will be on display until Mar 28th. Heritage Towers located at 612 Virginia St. E, Chas. For more call 304-590-1042

BROWN VS BOARD OF EDUC & MORE ON RIVERSIDE-

Since announcing the Riverside Blues Fest last week, we received still more information... As was stated before, the festival is an effort of the Riverside Alumni Association and others to raise awareness, and finances to save the former African American pre-desegregation school in Elkins. What we didn't know is that the current site of the Randolph County Board of Educ office in Elkins was originally built to become the new African American high school. Didn't happen due to "Brown vs Board of Education of Topeka" in 1954. Declaring state laws that established separate public schools for black and white students to be unconstitutional. Landmark decision was handed down May 17th 1954. The following day Governor William C. Marland held a press conference. He made clear his position on integration by saying: "Gentlemen, the decision of the Supreme Court is the law of the land and we shall abide by it." Although the process was not always smooth, by fall 1959 all counties had taken steps toward desegregation. As a result, Riverside and other WV Black schools such as Kelly Miller (Clarksburg), Huntington Douglas, Lincoln (Wheeling), Dunbar (Fairmont) and more, were closed and Randolph County Board of Education eventually moved into a new facility.

Amazing sometimes where the Blues can take ya.... The Riverside Blues Fest is scheduled for July 18th on River Street directly in front of old Riverside School.

AVAILABLE NOW-

The one his fans have been waiting for... new CD from *BILLY PRICE* now available. ["Night Work" w/FRED CHAPPELLIER](#) along with cameos by *OTIS CLAY & MARK WENNER* can be purchased on website at <http://www.billyprice.com/cds.php>. Billy & Fred will appear @ Berks Jazz Fest, Reading, PA Apr 3rd and @ Palisades Ballroom, McKeesport, PA Apr 5th before packing their grips for Europe.

"GONNA LAY DOWN MY SWORD & SHIELD"-

Good for the theatre, good for the community and good for the soul... "down by the riverside" the [DIXIE HUMMINGBIRDS](#) packed the house and left 'em begging for more, Friday night at The Smoot Theatre, Parkersburg. As good a show as we've seen in a long-long time. Wouldn't be fair to say bass singer Cornell McKnight stole the show, but he did get more than his fair share of applause. Cornell has *THE DEEPEST* voice ever heard and probably ain't but 25 or 26 years old. Y'all need to catch these legends first chance.

Blues Profile - "Little Bobby" Daugherty-

Birth Date: 8/20/51

Birth Place: *Wheeling, WV*

Bands You Have Played With: *Bag Shot Row (1966), Jubal (1968-71) composed of the same people from BSR we had some highs with shows with Little Feat, we even hung out with Spirit a few days, the band lived together in a house in Mo-town 1999... Jive 5 and No Jive basicly the same lineup for 8 years.*

Current Band/Instrument: *n/a*

Favorite Living Singer: *Sugar Ray Norcia*

Favorite Deceased Singer: *Little Walter, Sonny Boy II*

Favorite Living Blues Musician: *Sugar Ray Norcia*

Favorite Deceased Blues Musician: *Little Walter & Sonny Boy*

First Record Purchased: *Muddy Waters*

First Blues Record Purchased: *Muddy Waters... Ive been collecting records since the 1960's and inherited 33s from my mother.*

Personal Blues Statement: *I frequently get blue peace and cho little bobby oh yea mississippi saxaphone*

THIS WEEKEND IN "MOUNTAINS OF BLUES":

Friday Feb 27th:

TERRANCE SIMIEN & THE ZYDECO EXPERIENCE @ Carnegie Hall, Lewisburg

WILLIE PHOENIX @ The Thirsty Ear, Columbus, OH

IZZY & CHRIS @ Roadworthy Tavern, West Liberty

STEVE HIMES @ Taylor Books, Charleston

THE BLUE NOTES @ Sam's Uptown Cafe, Charleston

BUDDY GUY @ LVC Pavilion, Columbus, OH

TONY MONACO TRIO (jazz) @ Alladdin's, Charleston

BILLY THE KID & THE REGULATORS @ Office Lounge, Wheeling

SAM LAMONT @ Mountain State Brewing Co, Thomas

LADY D @ Maxwell's, Beckley

Saturday Feb 28th:

CBA Traditional ACooustic Blues Fest @ Holiday Inn, Worthington, OH

Chas Blues Society "Gala Kick-Off" @ Heritage Towers, Charleston
WHOP FRAZIER (DC Blues Society) @ Surf Club Live, Hyattsville, MD
THE BLUE NOTES @ Sam's Uptown Cafe, Charleston
BSWPA "Juke Joint Night" @ Moondogs, Blawnox, PA
SAM LAMONT @ McClafferty's, Morgantown
WILLIE PHOENIX & JESS KAUFFMAN @ Union Hall Theater, Chesterhill, OH
JASON RING @ White Grass Cafe, Canaan Valley
Living Blues Symposium @ "Ole Miss, Oxford, MS

Sunday Mar 1st:

CBA Blues Jam @ The Thirsty Turtle, Columbus, OH
FLEETWOOD MAC @ Mellon Arena, Pittsburgh
JOE BONAMASSA @ The Newport Music Hall, Columbus, OH
BILLY THE KID & THE REGULATORS @ Paparazzi's, Pittsburgh

BIRTHDAY:

Feb 26 1928 *Fats Domino* New Orleans, LA

RIP:

Feb 26 2003 *Othar Turner* Gravel Springs, MS
Mar 02 1990 *Shakey Jake Harris* Forrest City, AR

COULDN'T HELP BUT NOTICE:

Charlie West Blues Fest May 16th Oakes Field, South Charleston - more info coming soon...

check out *MISS FREDDYE & BLUE FAZE* <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FEVXNE7qnRc>

Laissez les bon temps roulet!

Sat Feb 28th Mardi Gras dinner @ The Court Street Grill, Pomeroy, OH... Cajun Seafood Dinner w/Steve "*Blues Chef*" Creasy features: Oyster Fritters & Shrimp Ceviche, Crawfish Pie & Soft Shell Crabs, Rice Pudding w/Bourbon Sauce...

[*IZZY & CHRIS*](#) in Harrisburg, PA @ Der Harrisburg Maennerchor Tue Feb 24th and @ Cornelia Street Cafe, NYC Wed Feb 25th...

wikipedia article at <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harmonica> mention of Raleigh County coalminer/bluesman [*FRANK HUTCHISON*](#), @ "Europe and North America/Early Use"...

http://goliath.ecnext.com/coms2/qi_0199-4741780/Appalachian-blues-African-American-Music.html check it out for some interesting thoughts on Appalachian Blues...

congrats to *LONG TALL DEB & THE DRIFTER KINGS* (Lancaster, OH)... winners of Mid-Ohio Valley [BJFM Society](#) blues challenge last week...

Wed Feb 25th Open-mic w/*CRACKER STACKWELL* @ [Blue Moose Cafe](#), Morgantown

internet Blues broadcast-- [Kbluz Internet Radio](#)...

Guitar Virtuoso, *MONTE MONTGOMERY* tickets on sale, and they're going fast... get yours soon! tickets \$20 for show Sat Mar 7th @ [The Court Street Grill](#), Pomeroy, OH

still seats left to study guitar w/*ROY BOOK BINDER* @ [Fur Peace Ranch](#) May 1-3 & Oct 16-18

damn few seats left for "damn right I got the blues" w/*BUDDY GUY* @ [The Palace Theater](#), Greensburg, PA Apr 24th...

"Queen of Soul" *ARETHA FRANKLIN* canceled appearance @ 2009 New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival... producer Quint Davis said activities surrounding Pres Obama's inauguration, scheduling, and travel issues led to cancellation...

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