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Tyrone Cotton photo courtesy of Tyrone Cotton. Sue O'Neil and Jimmy Davis photos by David True. Tony Tkac and Amy Johnson photo by William Peebles

On Saturday, November 12, Kentucky Homefront will feature its second blues show of the year. The Clifton Center, located at 2117 Payne Street, hosts the monthly radio show the second Saturday of every month. Shows are pre-recorded and broadcast at a later date on WFPK 91.9 FM. The show this month will feature the following acts (pictured above from left to right). Louisville's Tyrone Cotton with a poetry reading by Phillip Cherry, Sue O'Neil and Blue Seville, the 2011 KBS solo/duo contest winner Jimmy Davis and the 2011 KBS band contest winner Little T&A featuring Tony Tkac and Amy Johnson. The doors open at 7:00 pm with the show at 7:30 pm. General admission is \$12 and \$10 for Kentucky Homefront Porch Pals. You can find more information on-line at <http://www.kentuckyhomefront.org/>.

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KBS MONTHLY MEETING

If you are interested in reviewing new blues releases, come on out to the KBS monthly meeting (**held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM; June's meeting will be held at the Zeppelin Café, 1036 East Burnett**) and take your pick! We receive promo releases from the major blues labels as well as regional and local bands. If you review a CD, it's yours to keep!

Letter From The Prez



Photo by Cheryl Cissell

This year's Viva La Diva show will take place on Sunday, November 6 at Jim Porter's. The annual show is a benefit for the Musician's Emergency Resource Foundation (MERF) and is a showcase for female artist from Louisville and the surrounding area. It features several types of music, including blues, and the headliner for this year's show is Kelly Richey from Cincinnati. Doors open at 5:30 pm with the music starting at 6:00 pm. Admission is only \$7 to see twelve acts on three stages. You can find more information about MERF at www.merfbenefit.org.

About twice a year the members of Tin Can Buddha return to Louisville to put on a show for the home folks. They will be back at the Kentucky Center's Bomhard Theater on Saturday, November 12 at 8:00 pm. The band will be getting help from Zach Brock and Jonathan Ragonese with special guests Gail Wynters and Ed McClanahan. You can get tickets online at www.kentuckycenter.org or call the box office at 1-800-775-7777.

Joe Bonamassa began playing the guitar at the age of four and by the time he was twelve years old he was a music veteran having opened a show for B.B. King. He is a blues/rock guitarist from this country who was influenced more by the great guitarists from England and Ireland including Jeff Beck, Eric Clapton and Rory Gallagher. He played with several bands before going solo in 2000 and has released eleven albums to date. He will be at the Louisville Palace on Tuesday, November 15. KBS members can download a song for free from his latest album "Dust Bowl" by visiting <http://bitly.com/oGchMc> or check out the ad in this issue of *Blues News* and use the OCR reader on your smart phone.

The KBS 23rd Anniversary Celebration will feature both this year's solo/duo contest winner Jimmy Davis from Madison, IN and the band contest winner Little T&A from Louisville. The headliner is Cee Cee James from Portland, OR. Cee Cee has lived the life of a blues woman and her motto "raw and real" will be on full display at the show. The party gets started at 6:00 pm on November 19 at the Vernon Club and food will be available from Smokehouse BBQ. Thanks to a sponsorship with the downtown Marriott at 280 W. Jefferson St the blues society can offer rooms to anyone who wants to stay downtown the night of the anniversary party and get a \$40 discount. The normal rate of \$159 for the night will be reduced to \$119. The Marriott is only two miles from the Vernon and within walking distance of Fourth Street Live and several downtown restaurants and bars. To take advantage of the special rate and make a reservation call 1-800-266-9432 by November 11 and mention the KBS 23rd Anniversary Party.

On Saturday, November 26, Crescent Hill Radio (CHR) will host its first benefit at the Vernon Club. CHR is a non-profit, commercial free radio station featuring only local/regional music. The show will help raise needed funds to cover production and operating costs for the station. Five area bands will play the benefit with the Stella-Vees representing the blues. Be sure to check out my weekly blues show called the Kentuckiana Blues Radio Show every Friday night at 8:00 pm on CHR. The station broadcasts at 1650 on the AM dial but you can only pick that up if you live in Crescent Hill. Otherwise it is available at www.crescenthillradio.com.

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Walnut Street Blues Band



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Tommy Stillwell (Amazing Soul Crackers)



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Miss Lissa and Co



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**Smokin' Joe Kubek
and Bnois King**

Photos by Bob Brown
Dancin' in the moonlight!

Kentuckiana Blues Society 23rd Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, November 19, 2011

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New Music Reviews!



**Rod Piazza and
The All Mighty Flyers
Almighty Dollar
Delta Groove Productions**

Asking me to write this review about Rod Piazza's new CD is like asking a mouse to watch a cheese factory. The reason being...I am going to eat this up.

Cut number one, "Move Out Baby". You can tell that Rod and the All Mighty Flyers is not the run of the mill blues band. For example, "Wine, Wine, Wine" would go great with a little bit of cheese.

From cut #1 to cut #12, (an instrumental), I would highly recommend going out and grabbing some "Almighty Dollars". Hey harp players...you better go get a copy. It's going to mean a lot of woodshedding, though.

Lamont Gillispie



**Victor Wainwright and
The WildRoots
Lit Up!
WildRoots Records**

Popularity of blues combined with boogie piano (called honky-tonk in country circles) is increasing, and this style of music can be heard at many blues festivals these days. Victor Wainwright and the Wildroots exemplify that very kind of sound with powerhouse Memphis soul, roots rock 'n' roll and funky blues that features the high-energy boogie of the keyboardist/pianist and singer.

Wainwright, also a songwriter, wrote (or co-wrote) nine of the 14 tracks, of which many are up-tempo with horns backing up his flying fingers. The swinging, toe-tapping soulful rhythms seem to anchor the set list throughout.

As for the real blues tunes...well...track four ("Walk Away My Blues") seems to have all the ingredients, plus horns, of course; the swampy, gritty "Dixie Highway" (next tune) features a resonator guitar played with a slide, harmonica; and track 12 ("Pile of Blues") is another song blues enthusiasts will love.

Overall, this is a joy to listen to. Not all the songs could be truly classified as blues, but with the increasing trend to include boogie piano and Memphis soul with blues music, Victor Wainwright and his Wildroots will likely be a solid and well-received fixture in the blues recording format and blues concert scene for some time to come.

Les Reynolds



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Jimmy Davis Band
Songs for Mr. Bradford
Self-Produced

I have been watching Jimmy play for about 10 years at local festivals including his hometown of Madison, Indiana – home of the annual Ribberfest. This year he won the Kentuckiana Blues Society's Solo-Duo contest held at Zeppelin's in Louisville's Germantown. Jimmy was the Friday "Ear-X-tacy Stage" performer during the Garvin Gate Festival and, as such, he was practically in my lap when he played. I caught him after his evening show and asked how he'd like to write his own review for his new CD and since he agreed, here it is:

*"This CD, **Songs for Mr. Bradford**, is not like the last CD that was done in the studio and was built in parts – drum tracks one day, then guitar was added another day, then back in the studio to add the singing. In recording that way, we 'lost the spontaneity' that you find with a live recording like **Songs for Mr. Bradford**.*

So with this CD we tried to do a 'GOOD blues album', one that would help me find my own identity in the blues. A live CD – we just kept it simple and cut it as a band – not like individuals who made a CD but almost didn't see each other.

*My Grandma was a Black Foot Indian and I am trying to tie those sounds into the blues. My favorite cut on this CD is **The Crawl** – and it has sounds of the North Mississippi Hill Stomp. You should be able to hear the sounds of a pow-wow in it."*

This is a nice album. All the songs except "Leavin' Trunk", written by Sleepy John Estes, and Robert Johnson's "Kind Hearted Woman" were written by Jimmy. Jimmy is a master of many guitar styles. Here he shows his talents with Delta style pickin', minor blues progressions and some fuzzy rock blues.

There will be a CD release party at the Ohio Theater on Main Street in bee-you-tee-full downtown Historic Madison on November 25th. You could get your copy of this CD and walk off some Turkey, too!

Perry Bradford
Feb 1893 - April 1970

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Louisville Blues -n- Barbecue Festival



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Hamilton Loomis

July 8th, 9th and 10th at The Water Tower

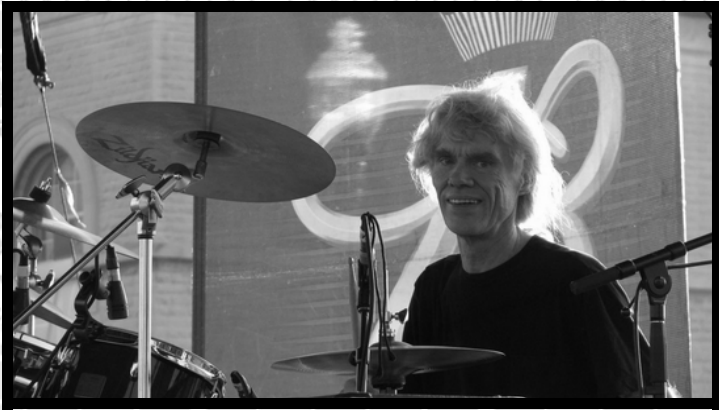


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Gary Underwood (Joe DeBow Experience)



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Donnie Bridges (Joe DeBow Experience)



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Braving the heat



Photo by Rob Billharz
A good time was had by all!



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Predators

Kentuckiana Blues Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct-30 Jazzyblyu Cafe – Night Breeze Mansion Hill Tavern (Newport) – Blues Jam Pizza Place – Blues Jam	31 Stevie Ray's – Open Mic Tee Dee's Bluegrass Progressive Club (Lexington) – TD & the Scandalous Band	Nov-1 Stevie Ray's - Blues Jam Willie's Sports Bar (Lawrenceburg) - Sonny Moomman	2 Lisa's Oak St Lounge – Miji Fuji Midway Cafe (Ft. Thomas) – Blues Jam O'Neill's (Lexington) – Blues Jam Zeppelin Cafe – KBS Board Meeting Paul Thom Band Wick's Pizza (Baxter) – Jimi V and Screamin' John	3 Bearno's Pizza U of L - Jason & The Fossils Jeff Ruby's – Robbie Bartlett Lisa's Oak St Lounge – Open Mic Southgate House (Newport) – Paul Thom Band Wick's Pizza (Baxter) – Jimi V and Screamin' John	4 Captain's Quarters – Jimmy Davis Check Cafe – Miji Fuji Impellizzeri's (Main St) – Logan Street Band Jeff Ruby's – Robbie Bartlett Jim Porter's – Rock Bottom Blues Stevie Ray's – Lamont Gillispie & 100 Proof / Kelly Richey The Crossroad (Lexington) – The Revelators Zeppelin Cafe – Little T&A	5 Brickhouse Bar (Jeffersonville) – Bluestown Harley's Main St Tavern – SouthShine Blues Band Jeff Ruby's – Robbie Bartlett Jim Porter's – Rock Bottom Blues Joey G's (Madison) – V-Groove Kentucky BBQ Festival (Danville) Mulligans Pub – Miji Fuji Southgate House (Newport) – 13th Annual Blues & Boogie Piano Summit Stevie Ray's – Jess Cougar / Old School
6 Four Courts Fall Festival – Tarnations Blues Band Jazzyblyu Cafe – Night Breeze Jim Porter's – MEF Viva La Diva Mansion Hill Tavern (Newport) – Blues Jam Pizza Place – Blues Jam Rudyard Kipling – Big Poppa Stampley	7 Stevie Ray's – Open Mic Tee Dee's Bluegrass Progressive Club (Lexington) – TD & the Scandalous Band	8 Stevie Ray's - Blues Jam Willie's Sports Bar (Lawrenceburg) - Sonny Moomman	9 Midway Cafe (Ft. Thomas) – Blues Jam O'Neill's (Lexington) – Blues Jam Stevie Ray's – Mike & the Swingers	10 Lisa's Oak St Lounge – Open Mic Southgate House (Newport) – Sonny Landreth Wick's Pizza (Baxter) – Jimi V and Screamin' John	11 Blue River Cafe (Milltown IN) – Tyrone Cotton Captain's Quarters – Joe DeBow Band Down Under Cafe (Covington) – Them Bones Jim Porter's – Blue Collar Band RIRa Irish Pub – Robbie Bartlett Skinner & Boob's (Georgetown) – Hogtown Blues Band Stevie Ray's – PorkPie James / The Woodsingers Zeppelin Cafe – Jim Masterson Band	12 Brickhouse Bar (Jeffersonville) – Bluestown Corner Door Cafe – Kirk Davis Band Jim Porter's – Blue Collar Band Kentucky Center – Tim Can Buddha & Friends Clifton Center – Kentucky Homefront Loudon House Gallery (Lexington) – Ronn Crowder Mulligan's Pub – Donnie Loeffler Trio RIRa Irish Pub – Robbie Bartlett Sammy O's (Floyds Knobs IN) – Bella Blue Band Stevie Ray's – Travlin Mojos / Most Wanted Band Wick's Pizza (Hurstbourne) – Tarnations Blues
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_____	COMPANY MEMBERSHIP (\$150 ENCLOSED)	E-MAIL	_____
_____	I would be willing to help out at KBS events	Telephone #	_____