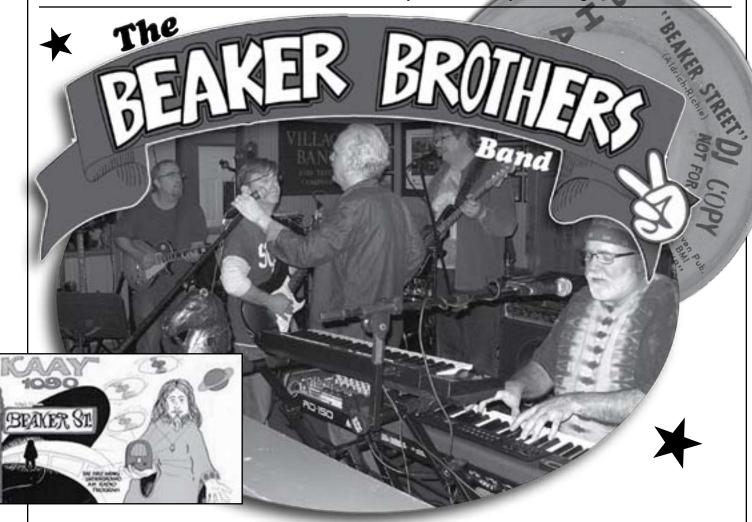


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## **Not A Clue**

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#### Frank Wilson



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who can't talk, for people who can't read.

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# **EMC at Parlor City Pub**

**January 22** 

by Frank Wilson



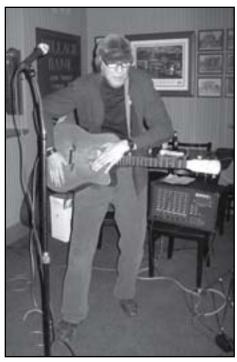
Craig Erickson

EMC played an incredible variety of styles of music, from reggae to Grateful Dead to things I don't even know what to call.

The last song was a 15 minute version of Shaky Ground that went places Shaky Ground has never been.

EMC is Craig Erickson on guitar, Dennis "when-do-I-get-paid?" McPartland on the drums and Al Robinson on bass.







Dennis McPartland on drums and Al Robinson on bass guitar.



# Greg Allman Low Country Blues Rounder

Release date January 18, 2011

album notes say ... a river runs through the blues and Gregg Allman continues to navigate it. This album deposits Gregg Allman at a fresh place on the bank," 'Low Country Blues' is Gregg Allman's first solo album in 14 years and it's been a pleasure to listen to it. I wondered initially why he would do an album of blues classics but after listening I'm glad he did. He covers a list including Skip James, Muddy Waters, BB King, Otis Rush, Magic Sam, Sleepy John Estes and one original with Warren Haynes. Doyle Bramhall & Mac Rebenak, are also on the CD with a sterling band of supporting musicians. Like the river, the CD is dark and deep and runs slowly with a big thumpy modern sound that gives the music vitality and continuity as the genres change. Gregg's voice is strong and wears the secrets of the hurts that over 60 years of restless living has added. His voiced is also part of my river. From "Trouble No More" crackling late at night on an AM radio to "Floating Bridge" from a computer hard drive today, the river of Gregg Allman's voice continues. It's good to hear it.

- John Heim a.k.a. "Big Mo"

"... I think people overemphasize the importance of gear in their search for tone. Your sound comes from how you pick and dampen the strings and from your attack as much as anything..." – Eric Johnson

# **Beaker Brothers Band**"You'd think Clyde Clifford was back on the air"



#### Photos by Rev. Frank Wilson

he Beaker Brothers Band played at Parlor City Pub on January 28th. They play a selection of Allman Brothers, Little Feat, Santana and other old favorites. They even have two drummers like the old Allman Brother Band did.

The Beaker Brothers are Dan Bernstein, John Shultz, Dan Hummel, James Dreier, Ed English and Steve Grismore. These guys have all played around the area for years in bands you probably have all heard, including Orquesta Alto Maiz, The Moe Band, the Blues Instigators, and Krewe Osgood, who opened last year's Bluesmore with

the Star Spangled Banner.

You can learn more about the Beaker Brothers Band at beakerbrothers.com. There you will learn about their name being derived from the legendary Beaker Street on station KAAY from Little Rock, Arkansas.

If you're too young to remember KAAY, go to beakerstreet.com. We listened to our music on AM radio



Pictured here are The Beaker Brothers, from left to right: (inset) Steve Grismore and Dan Hummel on drums, Dan Bernstein, James Dreier, "Uncle" Ed English and John Shultz on all the keyboards.

LCBS would like to thank the following new or renewing members. Thank you for helping us Keep the Blues Alive in Linn County!

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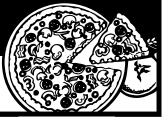
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# Local Music 2 1

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Tue. 1	Parlor City	Gibby's Lab Jam, Mike Williams, 8-11PM		
Wed. 2	Parlor City Pub	McMurrin & Johnson, 8-11PM		
Thur. 3	J.M. O'Malley's Cedar Landing	Gibby jams with friends, 9-1 Mike & Rob Show, 8-11PM		
Fri. 4	The Hub, C. Falls Ernie's Muddy Waters All Play Game Room	The Blue Band, Cedar Falls 6-9:30PM McMurrin & Johnson, 6-9PM John Resch & Detroit Blues, 9P Bettendorf Joe Kubek-Bnois King, Des Moines		
Sat. 5	Fire House Jerseys Cooter's	Skeeter Lewis jams with friends, 4-8PM Bryce Janey Group w/ DJ 9PM Mike & Rob Show, 7-11PM		
Sun. 6	Mahoney's Beaver Creek	The Janeys, 6-10PM Blues Jam with Skeeter Lewis		
Mon. 7	All Play Game Room	Tommy Castro, Des Moines 8PM 🖈		
Tue. 8	Parlor City Pub	Gibby's Lab Jam, 8-11PM		
Thur. 10	J.M. O'Malley's Checkers Tavern Cooter's	Flying Carp, 9-1 McMurrin & Johnson, 7-10PM Mike & Rob Show, 8-11PM		
Fri. 11 ★	Big Daddy's Middle Amana	McMurrin & Johnson, 7-10PM Miss E.C. Scott See ad		
Sat.12	Fire House Leo' Gen Lounge Elks Lodge The Cornerstone Grundy Center, IA Gus', Coralville	Skeeter Lewis jams with friends, 4-8PM Bruce Katz Band, 9PM Lil' Ed & Blues Imperials, Grinnell 9-12 Johnny Kilowatt & Steve Grismore Galena Bryce Janey Group Mike & Rob show, 9-1		
Sun. 13	Mahoney's Beaver Creek	Oakhurst, 6-10PM Blues Jam with Skeeter Lewis		
Tue. 15	Parlor City Pub	Gibby's Lab Jam, 8-11PM		
Wed. 16	Sammy's	Mike & Rob Show, 8-12		
Thur. 17	J.M. O'Malley's Ernie's City Beat	Gibby jams with friends, 9-1 McMurrin & Johnson, St.Pat's, 3-6PM Mike & Rob Show, 7-11PM		
Fri. 18	Ernie's Parlor City Pub Big Daddy's	Bryce Janey Duo, 6-9PM Skeeter Lewis All Stars, 9PM Mike & Rob Show, 7-11PM		
Sat. 19	Fire House Leo's Gen Lounge Rumors Pub Mitchell Java Creek, CR	Skeeter Lewis jams with friends, 4-8PM Jefferson Fox, 8PM Not A Clue, 4-8PM McMurrin & Johnson, 9-12 Mike Williams solo, 7-10PM		
Sun. 20	Mahoney's Cooter's Beaver Creek	Uniphonics, 6-10PM Mike & Rob Show, 8-11PM Blues Jam with Skeeter Lewis		
Tue. 22	Parlor City	Gibby's Lab Jam, 8-11PM		
Thur. 24	J.M. O'Malley's Cooter's	Gibby jams with friends, 9-1 Mike & Rob Show, 8-11PM		
Fri. 25 ★	Leo's Gen Lounge Riverside Casino	Mark Moss, 8PM The Blue Band, 9:30-1 Show Lounge		
Sat. 26	Fire House Red Frog	Skeeter Lewis jams with friends, 4-8PM McMurrin & Johnson, 7-10PM		
Sun. 27	Mahoney's Beaver Creek	Lick It Ticket, Mission Creek Music Fest! Blues Jam with Skeeter Lewis		
Thur. 31	J.M. O'Malley's	Electric Mule, 9-1		



Sat. -The Firehouse- Jam with various players 4-8PM

Sun. - Mahoney's - Various artists-Never a Cover, 6pm

Sun. - Parlor City Rocks New Bohemia District!

Sun. - Beaver Creek, Blues Jam w/ Skeeter Lewis

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# **Gary Moore** 1952-2011

#### BBC News Norhtern Ireland

he renowned rock guitarist Gary Moore has died in a hotel room while on holiday in Spain.

Moore, 58, originally from Belfast, was a former member of the legendary Irish group Thin Lizzy. Thin Lizzy manager Adam Parsons told the BBC he was found early on Sunday.

Moore was originally drafted into Thin Lizzy by its late frontman Phil Lynott. He later gained acclaim for his solo work and was a former member of the Irish group Skid Row. He was later brought into Thin Lizzy by Lynott to replace the departing Eric Bell, another guitarist from Northern Ireland.

Bell told the BBC on Sunday he was still "in shock" at Moore's death in the Costa del Sol.

"I still can't believe it." he said.

"He was so robust, he wasn't a rock casualty, he was a healthy guy.

Although returning to Thin Lizzy briefly in the late 1970s, his solo work continued to garner interest and he also enjoyed UK chart success with Lynott, via singles Parisienne Walkways and Out In The Fields.

She's a witch of trouble in electric blue, In her own mad mind she's in love with you. With you.

Now what you gonna do? Strange brew -- kill what's inside of you. — Eric Clapton



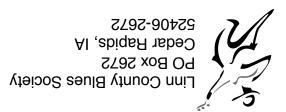
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