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Blues Society, and to me. John was a gifted musician, and played in many bands in eastern Iowa, and was part of lots of behind the scenes action in the music scene in Iowa.

I first met John in 7th grade, which was quite some time ago. Over the years, I would encounter John every once in a while; at a band gig, at a kid's soccer game, at the grocery. The places we encounter everyday people in our lives. There's a certain comfort in bumping into old friends. You may not be extremely close, you may not keep in close contact, but that's not the point. When you cross paths with a friend you've known for decades, you get to check in. See how each other's lives turned out. Learn about disappointments, triumphs, bumps in the road, illnesses, new family; all the stuff that happens to us in life.

Then, when we gather to reminisce about those who have passed, we always learn about the other stuff, stuff we either never knew, or forgot about. Sometimes that stuff is the really important stuff. In my case with John, it turns out what I learned at the end was the really important stuff.

I graduated from high school with John, and did not know then how musically talented he was. I learned that several years later seeing him in some of the bands he played with. The Moe Band, Big and Easy, Beaker Brothers, and Big Fun among them. But that was not the important stuff.

He was part of a local recording studio, and worked with lots of the local musicians you are all familiar with. That was not the important stuff.

Several years ago, the Linn County Blues Society needed a new webmaster. I became aware my old friend John was a webmaster for several organizations around these parts, among them radio station KCCK. John agreed to breathe a little life into lcbs.org. We agreed on a pay scale, and John got to work. What he ended up doing was completely revamping the web site, much more work than we asked for, and certainly beyond the pay level we agreed on. But we could never get John to send us the bill, even for the agreed amount. John was a good friend to LCBS. But that was not the important stuff.

Last year, John played piano at my wedding, selecting a special song for Jody and me. That day was a big milestone for me and my family, and John helped make it special. But that was not the important thing.

In John's obituary and at his celebration of life, I learned that John had been adopted by his biological aunt and uncle at the age of four and he adopted his kids. John's kids spoke about their dad at his celebration of life. We learned about the loving, supportive, nurturing, wise, husband, father and grandfather John Shultz was to his family.

That's the important stuff.

Good bye, John. You left the world better than you found it.

The Linn County Blues Society is a way cool, non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of Blues music in Eastern lowa 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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To learn more about the Linn County Blues Society or to join, see the membership form in this Bluespaper or the LCBS website. Your membership includes;

- Discount admissions to many local Blues activities.
- Monthly LCBS Bluespaper.
- Voting rights in the LCBS elections.
- Being a part of the groove!

#### **Bluespaper Contact information**

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Submission Requirements- All ads, photos or scanned images, either color or black/white, need to be 300ppi. Native Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, JPG, TIFF, EPS, PDF, BMP accepted. Ads created in MS Word may cause dimentia, severe cramping or diarrhea. Deadline for submissions is the 20th of the month.

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# **SueEllen Perkins**

1954-2018

The Gazette



SueEllen
Louise Perkins, 64, of
Cedar Rapids,
died Tuesday,
August 14,
2018, at the
Dennis and
Donna Oldorf
Hospice House

of Mercy, Hiawatha, following a courageous battle with sarcoma since November 2015.

SueEllen was born on March 11, 1954, in Cedar Rapids. She married Gerald "Jake" Perkins in March 1973. SueEllen was a senior industrial engineer technician for Rockwell Collins for 44 years, retiring in 2017.

SueEllen was committed to her job and was a hard worker. She was a very creative artist and enjoyed painting and working with stained glass. SueEllen was a beautiful soul, the definition of class and integrity, and had a gift to inspire all who knew her. She was a "stellar human" and loved her family, especially spending time with her grandchildren. SueEllen will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Editor: SueEllen was also a former president of the Linn County Blues Society.

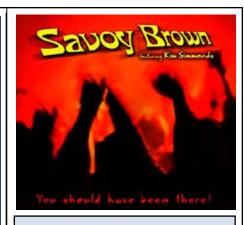
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"I've been imitated so well I've heard people copy my mistakes." — Jimi Hendrix



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### **Savoy Brown**

featuring Dennis Gruenling

You Should have Been There

Panache Records 2018

Savoy Brown's latest album, You Should Have Been There!, is a colossal dose of live electric blues. Originally recorded in February of 2003 at The Yale in Vancouver, this album features front-man Kim Simmonds joined by guitarist David Malachowski, bassist Gerry Sorrentino, and drummer Dennis Cotton. Loaded with lots of extended jams, this delightful six-pack of songs gives a solid hours' worth of listening.

The record opens with some serious hard-driving blues with "When it Rains" off the 2003 Strange Dreams album. Simmonds then dovetails "Where Has Your Heart Gone?" in quite nicely for an exquisite eleven and a half minutes of intoxicating slow jam and guitar play. From one of my favorite Savoy Brown albums, 1970's Looking In, we hear the funky blues of "Poor Girl" which spins the tale of a young woman who's fled the country life to be surrounded by the bright lights of the big city which chews her up and eventually spits her out. I love how Simmonds lets loose on guitar with this one. It's an absolutely searing performance. You Should Have Been There! closes with the ominous 1972 "Hellbound Train" which boasts an amazing guitar solo from Malachowski.

The energy of this performance certainly transcends through to the recording. You should have been there. I should have been there. We all should have been there.

by Phil Smith

## **2018 Czech Village Blues**

You should've been there!



Photos and article by Phil Smith

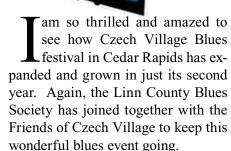






Top: Ruf Records' Blues Caravan, Bernard Allison along with Ally Venable and Mike Zito. Middle: Shane Johnson's Blue Train. Left: Scott Sanborn, former CBS2/FOX 28 anchor. Right: 19 year old, Ally Venable lights up the stage with her slide playing.

"I don't know anything about music. In my line – you don't have to." — Elvis Presley



It was incredible to see the musical talent and dedication to the blues presented on the Youth Stage by Kristopher Bries, Andersen Coates, Miles Damaso, and Matthew Burger. Accompanied by Iowa Blues Hall of Fame inductees, Tom 'T-Bone' Giblin on keys, and Dan 'DJ' Johnson on bass guitar. They were quite impressive, and did a fantastic job to kick start this years festival which featured Tim&TheTrutones, Shane Johnson's Blue Train, and Ruf Records' Blues Caravan presenting Bernard Allison, Mike Zito, and Ally Venable.





Tim Wagoner, on lead guitar of Tim&TheTrutones', kicked off the 2018 Czech Village Blues Festival. Pictured with Tim is Corey Clark on drums. Not pictured is Paul Ferguson on bass guitar.



Bernard Allison and Mike Zito exchange gun fire.



Shane Johnson

"Nothing can duplicate the sheer power and feeling you get from standing in front of your amp and bashing on your guitar."

-James Hetfield



2018 Czech Village Blues Festival Youth Stage. Pictured from left to right; Tom "T-Bone" Giblin on keyboards, Chris Bries, Miles Desano on drums, Paul Zelle and Dan "DJ" Johnson on bass. Other performing musicians but not pictured were Mathew Berger and Andersen Coates.

# Local Music 2 13 18 \*

## **September 2018 Blues Calendar**

Sat. 1	Village Market Roof Garden	Nate Hines & Johnson, 11-2PM Cabala, IA R&R HOF Induc. con Arnold's Park, IA
Sun. 2	The Shack Tavern Bowlful of Blues	Jeff Craft & Bryce Janey, 3-6PM Bob & Jeff between sets. 1:30-8:30PM Newton
Mon. 3	FB& Co. Waubeek	Bob Dorr & Limestoners, 3-6:30P Outside
Tue. 4	Parlor City Pub	Brook Hoover hosts jam, 7-10PM
Wed. 5	Riverside Casino QDogs BBQ	BDorr & Limestoners, Jam Night. 7-10PM backline Skeeter Louis Trio w/ Rob Haskell, 6-9PM
Thur. 6	Parlor City Pub J.M. O'Malley's Bryan's Famous Mockingbird	McMurrin & Johnson, 7-10PM Charlie Morgan, 8-midnight Bob Dorr & Limestoners, Waterloo 7-10:00PM Useful Jenkins, 8PM Marion
Fri. 7 ★	Famous Mockingbird Bread Garden Friday'Loo QDogs BBQ	Dawson Hollow, 8PM Marion The FunkDaddies, 6:30-9:30PM Ped Mall, IA City Brass Transit Authority, Waterloo. 5:30-9:30PM McMurrin & Johnson, 6-9PM Marion
Sat. 8	DM Social Club Village Market Wild Hogs	IA Blues Challenge FINALS. Des Moines Skeeter Louis & Dan Johnson, 11-2PM The Agency Band, 3-7PM Walford
Sun. 9	Cooter's The Shack Tavern Snus Hill Winery	Slide Williams hosts jam, 4-7:30PM Jeff Craft & Bryce Janey, 3-6PM Butter Cow Blues Band, Free CIBS event. 2PM
Tue. 11	Parlor City Pub Indian Hills College	Doug Ducey hosts jam, 7-10PM Soul Sacrifice, 5:30PM outdoors.
Wed. 12	Riverside Casino	Dorr & Limestoners, host jam, Backline 7-10PM
Thur. 13	J.M. O'Malley's Limestone Room Parlor City Pub Bryan's	BillyLee Janey & Dan Johnson, 8-midnight B. Dorr &Limestoners, Waterloo 7-10:00PM McMurrin & Brook Hoover, 7-10PM Bob Dorr & Limestoners, Waterloo 7-10:00PM
Fri. 14	QDogs BBQ Cedar Ridge Winery	McMurrin & Johnson, 6-9PM Marion The FunkDaddies, 6-9PM Swisher
Sat. 15	Famous Mockingbird Village Market QDogs BBQ Mead Festival	Tim&TheTrutones, 8PM Marion ★ Kevin Burt & Dan Johnson, 11-2PM Mike Maas & Carlis Faurot, 6-9PM Marion Parlor City Jam Band, E. Grove Farms, Salem, IA
Sun. 16 ★	Famous Mockingbird The Shack Tavern Tabor Home Winery Sutliff Cider	Amoramora, 4PM Marion Jeff Craft & Bryce Janey, 3-6PM BlueMississippi, Anniversary 3-6Pm Baldwin The FunkDaddies, 3-6PM Lisbon
Tue. 18	Parlor City Pub	Brook Hoover hosts jam, 7-10PM
Wed. 19	Riverside Casino QDogs BBQ	BDorr & Limestoners, Jam Night, 7-10PM Backline! Skeeter Louis Trio, 6-9PM Marion
Thur. 20 ★	J.M. O'Malley's Limestone Room Parlor City Pub	Craig Erickson, 8-midnight. 20 year celebration! Bob Dorr & Limestoners, Waterloo 7-10:00PM McMurrin & Johnson, 7-10PM
Fri. 21	Famous Mockingbird Red Vespa Lefty's Live Music	Dead Horses, 8PM Marion The Blue 2, 6-9Pm 208 E. Main St., Solon Rev. Raven & Chain Smokin' Altar Boys, Des Moines 8PM
Sat. 22	Famous Mockingbird	Soul Sacrifice, 8PM Marion
Sun. 23	The Shack Tavern Cooter's	Jeff Craft & Bryce Janey, 3-6PM Slide Williams hosts jam, 4-7:30PM
Tue. 25	Parlor City Pub	Jeff & Bob host jam, 7-10PM
Wed.26	Riverside Casino	B Dorr & Limestoners, Jam Night, 7-10P Back Line
Thur. 27	J.M. O'Malley's Bryran's Parlor City Pub	Rush Cleveland, 8-midnight Bob Dorr & Limestoners, Waterloo 7-10:00PM McMurrin & Johnson, 7-10PM

## **Be sure to CHECK this out!**

Sat. - The Village Market w/ Dan Johnson 11-2PM

Sun. - The Rumors Jam, 4-7PM

Sun. - Jeff Craft & Bryce Janey, Shack Tavern 3-6PM

Sun. - Cooter's. Jam w/ Slide Williams. 4-7:30PM

Tues. - The Famous Parlor City Jam. 7-10PM

Wed. - 5th Wednesday B. Dorr, Skeeter & DJ @ QDogs BBQ

Thur. - Bryan's On 4th. Bob, Jeff & Doug, 7-10:00PM

Thur. - J.M.O'Malley's, Tom T-Bone Giblin Jams, 8-midnight

Thur. - CR VFW, Wild Bill & Pony Express, 5-9PM

Thur. - Dennis "Dadddy-0" McMurrin at Parlor City 7-10PM

Fri. - Checkers Tavern & Asian Massage, LIVE MUSIC! 7PM



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The LCBS meets on the 1st Monday of each month! See you at the Longbranch on September 10, 6:30PM for the LCBS general meeting. Guests are welcome! 90 Twixt Town Rd., Cedar Rapids • 377-6386.

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## September Calendar cont.

Fri. 28	Famous Mockingbird Cedar Ridge Winery Lincoln Wine Bar	Feed The Dog, 8PM Marion Soul Sacrifice, 6-9PM Swisher McMurrin & Johnson, 7-9PM Mt. Vernon
Sat. 29	QDogs BBQ Famous Mockingbird Lefty's Live Music	Doug Ducey & Dan Johnson, 6-9PM Marion Awful Purdies, 8PM Marion Davy Knowles, Des Moines, 8PM
Sun. 30	Famous Mockingbird The Shack Tavern Cooter's	Shadowfields, 4PM, Marion Jeff Craft & Bryce Janey, 3-6PM Slide Williams hosts jam, 4-7:30PM

# 2 Day Celebration of Iowa Music!

September 1 & 2

Cindy Stanbro

he Iowa Rock 'n Roll Music Association has been recognizing those who have made a significant impact on Iowa's rock 'n roll music scene with induction into the Iowa Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame since 1997. 2018 Inductees include: David Ellefson (Individual Artist), The Nadas (Band), Marilyn Maye (Lifetime Achievement), The Bushmen (Band), Rob Lumbard (Individual Artist), Buckeye (Band), Pam Dixon (DJ), IV Pauli (Band), Cabala (Band), Gary Richards (Individual Artist), George Rondinelli (Support People), Crusin' (Band), Rick Hillyard (Individual Artist), A Stitch 'N Tyme (Band), Torkays (Band), Lavendar Hill (Band), Dennis "Daddy-O" McMurrin (Lifetime Achievement), Johnny Green (Individual Artist), Festival (Band), The Trippers (Band), El Riadas (Band), Dean Davis (Matousek Lifetime Achievement), Rich Mock (Individual Artist), Julie Christensen (Women Who Rock), Duane "Nudie" Binder (Individual Artist), Ralph Goldheim (Individual Artist), Dickinson County News (Media Representative), Jim Musser (Media Representative), Lorados (Venue), and Dave Hogendorn (Lifetime Achievement). Lance Harrison is also being recognized for his contributions to Iowa's music industry with a 2018 Spirit Award.

Induction into the Iowa Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame has grown into a two-day celebration of Iowa music. Happening annually on Labor Day weekend in and around Arnolds Park, IA, 2018 events are sponsored by Estes Construction and KUOO Radio and start September 1st with a Pancake Breakfast from 8-11 am; an Iowa Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame Festival with kid's activities, food, and vendors from 9-11 am; an Iowa Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame Parade at 10 am; Music Workshops led by 2018 Inductees Duane "Nudie" Binder, Mike Butterworth, Jason Walsmith, Gary Richards, and David Ellefson at 11 am; Iowa Rocks Talent Finals youth music competition with finalists Triple Shot, Kamree Farmer, Ian Miller, The Spacemen, Caleb Good, Awakening Force, Not Yet, Odd & Fanatic, Emma Arndt, Been There Done That, Gage Wiggins, Ledd Peppers, Mutually Assured Destruction (M.A.D.), and Eli Dykstra Rocks at 1 pm; a Hot Rod & Classic Car Show at 1pm, a Lifetime Members Dinner with 2018 Inductees at 5:30 pm, and a Meet & Greet program for the public at 7 pm.

On September 2nd, the Iowa Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony starts at 2 pm; an Autography Party starts at 4:30 pm; and the 2018 Iowa Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame Concert runs 6 pm – 12 am. All events are free aside from the Pancake Breakfast, Induction Ceremony, and Induction Concert. Tickets for both the concert and ceremony range from \$35-45 and are available online at http://www.iowarocknroll.com/induction-2018.

Established in 1997 as the first state rock 'n roll music association, the Iowa Rock 'n Roll Music Association is a statewide 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to preserve the legacy of rock 'n roll music in Iowa by honoring achievements, educating youth, and inspiring artists. For more information, go to www.iowarocknroll.com.

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O'Malley's is Celabrating 20
years of Live Music on
Thursday nights!!!
September 20 is the official
celebration!
I'm welcoming all musicians to do a drive-by sit-in.
Anybody who has gigged there since September '98 is encouraged to show up!

A note from porr!



The Limestoners, in addition to the Thursday nights at Bryan's in Waterloo, is hosting a blues jam EVERY Wednesday night in September at Riverside Casino!

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## **Linn County Blues Society Membership Application**

Name (Please Print)	Phone /
Street	_ City/State/ZIP
Email (Please Print Clearly)	

### **Annual Membership Levels**

\$20 Member

\$100 Blues Booster/ Corporate Sponsor

\$250 Blues Contributor

\$500 Friend of the Blues

\$1000 Sustaining Member

Please mail form & check to: Linn County Blues Society,

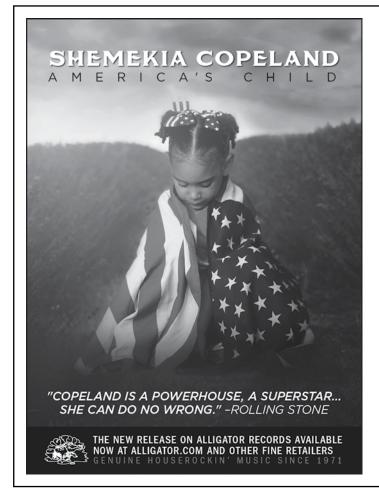
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### Friday Blues-

- 6-10 PM The Big Mo Blues Show
- 10-11 PM Backstage Blues
- 11 PM to midnight KCCK Jams
- Midnight Blues CD

### Saturday Blues -

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