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Good Luck to DCBS Reps, Friends at This Month's IBC in Memphis!

The 31st International Blues Challenge (IBC) is set for Jan. 20–24 at several venues in the Beale Street Historic District of Memphis, TN. It's five days of music and music competition involving 117 bands and 100 solo/duo acts, plus 30 Youth Showcase entries.

This year's IBC begins Tuesday night, Jan. 20 with the International Showcase. Wednesday and Thursday night, quarter finals are scheduled. The Youth Showcase and Semi Finals are Friday night, and on Saturday, Jan 24, the IBC concludes with the Finals in the Orpheum Theater.

DCBS is proud to sponsor two entries in the 2015 IBC: **The Mojo Priests** in the Band Competition and **Jackson & Oziel** in the Solo/Duo Competition

Who else is competing? Acts from other Blues Societies all over the U.S. and abroad (Australia, Poland, Philippines, etc.). The Baltimore Blues Society does not have an entry this year.

However, the River City Blues Society of Virginia (Richmond) is sponsoring the **Jon Spear Band** and, in the Solo/Duo category, **In Layman Terms**, the brother/sister act of Cole and Logan Layman. Cole and Logan were part of The UnXpected Band, which represented DCBS at the 2013 IBC in the Youth Showcase. They also attended the IBC in 2014, participating in the Youth Showcase. 2015 marks the first time In Laymen's



Terms will actually compete. Good luck to this young duo! Logan will also be performing at the Women in Blues Showcase, which will be held on Friday, Jan. 23, at the Center for Southern Folklore, on South Main St., in Memphis.

The Bush League, a Richmond, VA-based band that has performed at several DCBS Fish Frys, will be competing this year as the Band entry of the Piedmont Blues Preservation Society.

If you plan to attend the 31st Annual IBC, the DCBS newsletter would welcome your photos and reviews/comments for possible publication in the February or March issue of the CBM. Send to: newsletter@dcb Blues.org.

For more information on the 2015 IBC, visit the IBC page on the Blues Foundation website, www.blues.org. The website includes the full list of 2015 entrants, and links to the individual website of each. If you can't attend the IBC, you can still spend some time on the internet getting a sense of the competition.

DCBS 2014: A Year in Review

2014 was another robust year for the DC Blues Society, as this volunteer-run organization continued to offer several ongoing and special events during the year and a host of ticket giveaways to members. A look at the past year begins on page 3.



The DC Blues Society is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to keeping the Blues alive through outreach and education. The DC Blues Society is a proud affiliate of the Blues Foundation.

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Blues listings for bands should be sent to calendar@dcblues.org

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DCBS 2014: A Year in Review

by Pat Bransford

As you review this list, consider what events you were able to attend, and make a commitment to be even more active in supporting DCBS and the blues in 2015.

Ongoing throughout the Year:

Monthly 1st Sunday Blues Jam at the Silver Spring American Legion (each month except SuperBowl Sunday). The free monthly Jam, coordinated by Jam Master Sam'i Nuriddin, continued to draw a great crowd and terrific mix of musicians, dancers and those who were just there for the free music and affordable drinks.



photo by Pat Bransford



photo by Daniel Cima



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Monthly 4th Friday Happy Hour

at the Silver Spring American Legion (each month except Nov./Dec.). The free (no cover) Happy Hour is a wonderful way to start the weekend, and attendance grew through the year. A live band performed each month, including Bluesjokers, Ron Hicks Project, Stacy Brooks Band, Lady Rose Blues

Band, Jesi Terrell & The Love Mechanic Band, DC Blues Society Band, Dr. S.O. Feelgood, Clarence "The Bluesman" Turner, and Mojo Priests.

Monthly 4th Sunday Acoustic Jams

at the Mansion on O Street, in DC. "Wild Will"

Williamson hosts this free jam that is held in conjunction with the Mansion's Sunday Brunch (DCBS members get a discount on the brunch).

March:

Celebrated Women's History Month on March 15 with a DCBS dance at the Wheaton American Legion featuring Jesi Terrell and the Love Mechanic Band.

April:

Conducted a DCBS Raise the Roof Fundraiser

photo by Daniel Cima



photo by Pat Bransford

campaign to raise money for The Blues Foundation's Blues Hall of Fame, which is being built in Memphis, TN. DCBS goal was \$1500 and was met! Donations were sought at DCBS events during the first quarter of the year, and on April 19, DCBS held a Raise the Roof Fundraiser at the Wheaton American Legion, and featured three bands: The Stacy Brooks Blues Band, Clarence "The Bluesman" Turner, and Anthony "Swamp Dog" Clark.

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President's DRUM

is on holiday break. DCBS President Felix McClaire's column will resume next month.



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July:

Annual Hotter-Than-July Fish Fry & Show was held on July 12 at the Silver Spring American Legion. Nine bands performed: Lady Rose Blues Band, Taylor Davie Band, The Crimestoppers, Ron Hicks Project, Cooking With Gas, DC Blues Society Band, Jesi Terrell & The Love Mechanic Band, Blues Obsession, and Mojo Priests.

August:

A Blues In The Community (BITC) Program was held on Aug. 23, at the Beatley Library in Alexandria, VA. Mosby Territory ("Wild Will" Williamson and his wife, Alona) performed and gave a free presentation, titled "Blues on the Block," focusing on Pre-World War II acoustic blues songs. DCBS volunteer, Giovanni Sciannameo, proposed and coordinated the BITC Program.

The free 26th Annual DC Blues Festival at the Carter Barron Amphitheatre on Aug. 30, featuring the following performers on the Main Stage: Stacy Brooks, Hardway Connection, Shirleta Settles and Friends, Eddie Turner Band, Selwyn Birchwood Band, and Shakura S'Aida. On the John Cephas Workshop Stage, the lineup included: Nadine Rae's vocal workshop, Butch Grant's guitar workshop, Dave Harris' children's harmonica workshop, and a closing performance by the Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation Ensemble. An After-Party following the Festival featured the Selwyn Birchwood Band.

October:

A DCBS Pre-Show Mix and Mingle was held on Oct. 3 at Gypsy Sally's in Georgetown. Clarence "The Bluesman" Turner performed at the Mix and Mingle that preceded the main show performances of Vintage #18 and The Nighthawks.

The DCBS Annual Battle of the Bands was held on Oct. 18 at the Wheaton American

Legion. Seven bands competed for the opportunity to represent DCBS at the 2015 International Blues Challenge in Memphis, TN. The Mojo Priests won, narrowly beating Vintage #18. Other competitors



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included: Matthew Patrick and Muskrat Sally, Planet Full of Blues, Sherri Shiri, Taylor Davie Band, and The Tony Stramella Band.

The Annual DCBS Solo/Duo Competition was held at the Silver Spring American Legion at the 4th Friday Happy Hour on Oct. 24, with six acts performing for the opportunity to represent DCBS in the Solo/Duo category at the 2015 International Blues Challenge. Jackson and Oziel won the competition, beating out 2nd place finisher Ony Maybe, and 3rd place finishers (a tie) Hip Pocket Blues



photo by Daniel Chua



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and Y'All Pendyal. Lady Rose and Mosby Territory also competed.

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**DCBS-SILVER SPRING AMERICAN LEGION
4TH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
BLUES HAPPY HOUR**

January 23

DOORS 5:00 ♦ MUSIC 5:30 - 9:00 PM

Cooking With Gas



**David "Takoma Dave" Rothman
Bob Dreher
Adam Oppenheim
Jim "Cookie" Cooke
Gary Ehlers**

Photo: Cooking With Gas

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2014 New Year's Eve Dinner Dance Party

DCBS closed out 2014 and greeted 2015 with a dinner dance featuring the blues of the Ursula Ricks Project. Members and friends came to the Wheaton American Legion Hall, they ate a delicious southern-style dinner, they danced, danced and danced some more, they cheered for an outstanding musical performance, they toasted the New Year with champagne and they enjoyed a rousing good party! Thank you to the crew of volunteers who made the evening such a great success. The photos tell the story. Photos by Pat Bransford, thank you!





Blues in the Community
“Blues Babies”
 Presenter: David Cole
 Saturday, February 14, 2015
 FREE ♦ 12:30 - 2:00 PM ♦ FREE



Photo: Sharon Farmer

In the words of Muddy Waters:
“The Blues had a baby & they named it Rock & Roll.”

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Members are key to the livelihood of the DCBS. Members' dues play an important part in helping DCBS fulfill its mission to promote the Blues and the Musicians who keep the music alive, exciting and accessible. Members receive many benefits for their nominal DCBS investment:

- ▲ Discounted rates on advance tickets to DCBS events
 - ▲ Comraderie of fellow Blues enthusiasts at DCBS's many events
 - ▲ Monthly editions of THE CAPITAL BLUES MESSENGER sent by email
 - ▲ Priority notices of the latest scheduled area Blues concerts, events and news sent by email
 - ▲ Chances to win free tickets to area Blues concerts and performances
 - ▲ Discounts from area clubs and merchants when you present your DCBS membership card; see the list of participating businesses on page 10
 - ▲ Opportunities to "get close to the action and the music" by volunteering at DCBS events
 - ▲ Taking a supporting role in DCBS's Blues in the Community program, an outreach effort to educate and encourage the rich heritage of Blues music
 - ▲ Doing your part to preserve traditional American Blues music
- Becoming a DCBS member is quick and easy:
- ▲ Use the mail-in application on this page
 - ▲ Apply online at www.dcblues.org
 - ▲ Sign up at a DCBS booth at a DCBS event

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- Update Website
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- Promote shows
(Distribute fliers, handbills, etc.)
- Raise funds
- Write reviews or take photos for monthly newsletter

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Blues Remove the Chill from a DC Winter

There's no need to hibernate just because the weather is cold in DC! There are still plenty of blues events to choose from and plan to attend. Check out the Blues Calendar on page 9 or consider a road trip! Here are some upcoming options that are just a short drive or plane ride away:

The Feb. 6-7 **Lancaster (PA) Roots and Blues Festival** — 8 venues, 10 stages, 60 acts, including Dana Fuchs, Joanne Shaw Taylor, Joe Louis Walker, Albert Castiglia, Trudy Lynn, Nikki Hill, Chubby Carrier, Mac Arnold and others. www.LancasterRootsandBlues.com.

A little further away (and a little warmer), the **Clearwater (FL) SeaBlues Festival**, Feb. 21-22, with Sena Ehrhardt, Robben Ford, Jarekus Singleton, Otis Taylor, Joanne Shaw Taylor and others. www.ClearwaterSeaBlues.com.

The **Riverwalk Blues & Music Festival** in Fort Lauderdale, FL, Feb. 14-15, with Walter Wolfman Washington, Guy Davis, Albert Castiglia, JP Soars, and others. www.RiverwalkBlues.com.

Special events are also happening locally:

The **DCBS Blues In The Community Program** on Feb. 14 at the Alexandria Black History Museum. See page 7 for details. This free event happens in the afternoon, you can attend and still have time for your Valentine's Day evening plans.

Mid-Atlantic Jazz Festival, Feb. 13-16, at the Hilton Rockville (MD) Hotel, featuring Paul Carr, Janine Gilbert Carter, Sharon Clark, Chelsey Green, Allan Harris, Sean James, Carmen Lundy, Tierney Sutton, Blues Juke Joints on Friday (David Cole), Saturday (Memphis Gold), and Sunday (Anthony "Swamp Dog" Clark) at 9 pm. www.MidAtlanticJazzFestival.org.

The Chesapeake Bay Blues Festival,



May 16-17 at Sandy Point State Park, Annapolis, has announced preliminary line-ups that include Buddy Guy, Jonny Lang, Charlie Musselwhite, Davy Knowles, Mingo Fishtrap, Shemekia Copeland, Jarekus Singleton,

Tommy Castro & the Painkillers and Sisterhood of Soul. Holiday discounts on tickets are available through Jan. 15. www.bayblues.org

JANUARY 2015 BLUES

- 2 Fast Eddie & Slowpokes @ New Deal Cafe ▲ Over the Limit @ Zoo Bar ▲ Dave Chappell, Mike Ault @ JVs ▲ Tribute to Freddie King featuring Jamison & Double Soul @ Bethesda Blues & Jazz Supper Club
- 3 Fast Eddie & Slowpokes @ Brewbaker's ▲ Big Boy Little Band @ Zoo Bar ▲ Anthony "Swamp Dog" Clark @ Davies Unitarian Church ▲ Skyla Burrell @ Madam's Organ ▲ Bad Influence @ Ice House ▲ Jonny Grave @ Republic
- 4 **DCBS 1st Sunday Blues Jam @ Silver Spring American Legion** ▲ Stacy Brooks @ Madam's Organ ▲ Jonny Grave @ Gibson
- 5 David Cole & Main Street Blues @ Westminster Church ▲ Warner Williams @ Republic
- 6 Fast Eddie & Slowpokes @ Cat's Eye
- 8 Chris Thomas King @ Blues Alley (Jan. 8-11)
- 9 Sookey Jump @ Zoo Bar ▲ Bad Influence @ Frederick Hard Times ▲ Bobby Thompson's Blues Project @ JVs ▲ BLAZ @ Urban Eats Arts & Music Cafe, Mt. Rainier
- 10 **DCBS IBC Fundraiser featuring Jackson & Oziel, Mojo Priests @ Old Bowie Town Grill** ▲ Full Power Blues @ New Deal Café ▲ Matthew Patrick & Muskrat Sally @ Benny's Bar & Grill ▲ Kelly Bell Band @ Madam's Organ ▲ Smokin' Polecats @ Zoo Bar ▲ Tom Principato, Upton Blues Band @ Gypsy Sally's ▲ Jonny Grave @ Nanny O'Briens
- 11 BT Richardson @ Madam's Organ ▲ Longtooth @ New Deal Cafe
- 12 Eddie Jones & The Young Bucks @ Westminster Church
- 16 Moondog Medicine Show @ Madam's Organ ▲ Moonshine Society @ Zoo Bar ▲ Jonny Grave @ Sauf Haus ▲ Mark Wenner's Blues Warriors @ Creative Alliance at the Patterson
- 17 Mark Wenner's Blues Warriors @ The Music Café ▲ Stacy Brooks @ Zoo Bar ▲ Tom Principato @ Ashland Coffee and Tea ▲ Anthony "Swamp Dog" Clark @ Bucket Sportsbar ▲ Jonny Grave @ Hill Country Barbecue
- 18 Soul Serenaders, Mark Wenner's Blues Warriors @ Bethesda Blues & Jazz ▲ Jonny Grave @ Gibson
- 19 Mark Wenner's Blues Warriors @ Westminster Church ▲ Vintage #18 @ Republic
- 21 Tom Principato @ Hill Center Concert Series
- 23 **DCBS 4th Friday Happy Hour w/ Cooking With Gas @ Silver Spring American Legion** ▲ Swamp Keepers @ Zoo Bar ▲ Jonny Grave @ Nanny O'Briens ▲ Holmes Brothers @ Creative Alliance at the Patterson
- 24 Bruce Ewan @ Zoo Bar ▲ Anthony "Swamp Dog" Clark @ Bare Bones ▲ Jonny Grave @ Rock and Roll Hotel
- 25 **DCBS 4th Sunday Acoustic Jam @ Mansion on O Street** ▲ Stacy Brooks @ Madam's Organ
- 26 Shirleta Sings The Blues @ Westminster Church ▲ Fast Eddie & Slowpokes @ Republic
- 27 Daddy Mack @ Hill Country DC Barbecue & Market
- 29 Corey Harris @ Blues Alley (Jan. 29-31)
- 30 JP Blues @ Madam's Organ
- 31 Fast Eddie & Slowpokes @ Harmony Hall Regional Center ▲ Bad Influence @ Lost Rhino ▲ Little Red & Renegades @ New Deal Café ▲ Moonshine Society @ Republic

Mark Wenner's Blues Warriors

The iconic blues band The Nighthawks take January off but band leader and harp virtuoso Mark Wenner isn't about resting on his laurels. Each January Mark brings some amazing side project and this month is no exception. Digging in the renowned collections of '50s blues labels Chess, Vee Jay and Excello, Mark brings together some shining traditional blues from the Chicago and Louisiana schools. He shows them off with a band created just for this project. Mark's Blues Warriors feature Mark Wenner's harp and vocals and up and coming DC-based Clarence "Bluesman" Turner. Clarence's creative guitar playing and authentic vocals have been garnering a fast growing following in DC. The accomplished band is flushed out with Steve Wolf on upright bass, Robert Frahm (for yet another hot guitarist), and the Nighthawks' own Mark Stutson on drums and vocals

EARLY FEBRUARY 2015

- 1 **No DCBS 1st Sunday Blues Jam due to Superbowl**
- 2 Moonshine Society @ Westminster Church ▲ Robert Cray Band @ Rams Head Annapolis
- 5 Robert Cray Band @ Birchmere
- 6 Still Standing w/ Robert Frahm and Andy Poxon @ Zoo Bar ▲ Dana Fuchs @ Gypsy Sally's ▲ Guy Davis @ Creative Alliance
- 7 Mojo Priests @ New Deal Café ▲ Big Boy Little Band @ Zoo Bar ▲ Andy Poxon @ Bare Bones ▲ Chubby Carrier @ Hamilton

Attention! Bands and Venues:

Keep your fans informed! Send your February and March gigs and events by Thursday, Jan. 15 to calendar@dcblues.org to be included in the February 2015 CBM Blues Calendar.

BLUES ALL WEEK

Regular Blues Events

The Regular Blues Calendar, below, is included in the Capital Blues Messenger each month to provide information on recurring blues jams/performances/dances. See also the November Blues Calendar on page 9.

1st Sunday DCBS Blues Jam @ Silver Spring American Legion ▲ **4th Sunday DCBS Acoustic Jam @ Mansion on O St.** ▲ Sunday Afternoon Jam @ Old Firestation #3, Fairfax ▲ Blues Jam @ Battlefield Brew Works, Gettysburg, every other Sunday

Blue Mondays @ Westminster Presbyterian Church ▲ Wolf's Blues Jam @ JV's ▲ Capital Blues Ensemble @ 219 Basin St. Lounge ▲ Blues Monday @ Republic

CrawStickerrrs @ 219 Basin St. Lounge ▲ Johnny Artis Band @ Madam's Organ ▲ Open Mic @ Woodstock Inn, Woodstock, MD ▲ Swampcandy @ Rams Head Annapolis

Wolf's Blues Jam @ Blair's Londontowne Pub ▲ Scott Wells Jam @ Pickled Herring Pub, Northeast, MD, except 1st week ▲ Classic Jam @ Old Bowie Town Grille ▲ Johnny Grave @ Madam's Organ

Patrick Alban & Noche Latina @ Madam's Organ ▲ Big Boy Little Band Blues Jam @ Zoo Bar ▲ Slow Blues & Swing Dance @ Glen Echo ▲ Open Mic @ El Gavilan ▲ Blues Jame w/Fast Eddie Galvin, Dave Saunders @ Bentz St. Raw Bar ▲ Open Mic w/Mojo Priests @ Sapphire, 2nd Thursday

4th Friday Happy Hour @ Silver Spring American Legion in January ▲ Glen Moomau & Juke Drivers @ Bertha's ▲ Over the Limit @ Zoo Bar, 1st Friday ▲ John Guernsey @ New Deal Cafe

Acoustic Blues Jam @ Archie's Barbershop ▲ Davies Fish Fry & Open Mic, 1st Saturday @ Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, Temple Hills, MD ▲ Big Boy Little Band @ Zoo Bar, 1st Saturday ▲ John Guernsey @ New Deal Cafe

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Bolded items on calendars of upcoming events are picks by calendar editor, Mike Wolk, and include DCBS, BBS, and other events.

Musicians, promoters, and venues:

Send calendar listings to

calendar@dcblues.org

by the deadline, the 15th of the month prior to publication. Events listed are based on the best information possible.

DCBS cannot be held liable for errors in schedules, places or performances listed. It is recommended that you contact the venues to verify events.

Visit www.dcblues.org

for additional music links and information.

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November:

Held the 7th Annual College Park Blues Festival at Ritchie Coliseum on November 8. Jackie Scott & the Housewreckers headlined the event, which also included performances by the M.S. G. Acoustic Blues Trio, DC Blues Society Band, and Mojo Priests.

December:

Closed out 2014 with the DCBS New Year's Eve Dinner Dance Party at the Wheaton American Legion, featuring the Ursula Ricks Project, as well as a southern-style dinner and a midnight champagne toast.



Other key DCBS activities during the year included:

The Friday evening DCBS Internet radio show, which in late 2014 moved from GoldRadio.net



photos by John Quinter

to Caldonia's Crossroad Radio, www.caldoniascrossroad.com, from 4 to 6 p.m. Fridays, hosted by Cadillac Chris (aka Chris DeProperty).

Monthly DCBS newsletter and frequent DCBS e-blast emails, which were all directed toward keeping members informed about local and national blues events and news.

Numerous ticket giveaways and discounts, primarily for DCBS members. Although this is not a comprehensive list, ticket giveaways in 2014 included these shows: All Friday and Saturday night blues shows at Madam's Organ; State Theatre performances featuring

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DISCOUNTS for DCBS Members

Show your current DCBS membership card to obtain discounts from our supportive vendors, and show the vendor this newsletter to confirm the discount. Restrictions may apply, and discounts may be withdrawn at any time.

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Marcia Ball and Tommy Castro & The Painkillers, Taj Mahal Trio, Buddy Guy, Tab Benoit, Jonny Lang, North Mississippi Allstars, Bootsy Collins; Hill Country BBQ's show featuring Lil' Ed & The Blues Imperials; Gypsy Sally's shows featuring Jarekus Singleton, John Nemeth, Lazy Lester, Coco Montoya, and Popa Chubby; The Hamilton's shows featuring Shemekia Copeland, Nick Waterhouse, and John Mayall/Eli Cook; the Briggs Farm Blues Festival; the Tinner Hill Blues Festival; Arena Stage's Smokey Joe's Café and Five Guys Named Moe; and Warner Theatre's show featuring B.B. King/ Tom Principato.

See the ads above for information on other discounts available to DCBS members. DCBS thanks to all the venues and businesses that supported the organization throughout the year. Thanks also goes to Atomic Music in Beltsville, MD for its donation of a guitar raffled by DCBS in the fall; to the College Park Recreation Board and many sponsors of the College Park Blues Festival; and to the DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities and the National Park Service, for their support for the Annual DC Blues Festival.

Finally, special thanks goes to all the volunteers who helped to make these events a success. Some of those volunteers were behind the scenes, and others were more visible, staffing the DCBS booth, serving food at the Fish Fry, staffing the entry table at events, etc. Whatever the contribution, if you were among the volunteers, a big thanks goes to you, and DCBS hopes you will continue to support Society activities.

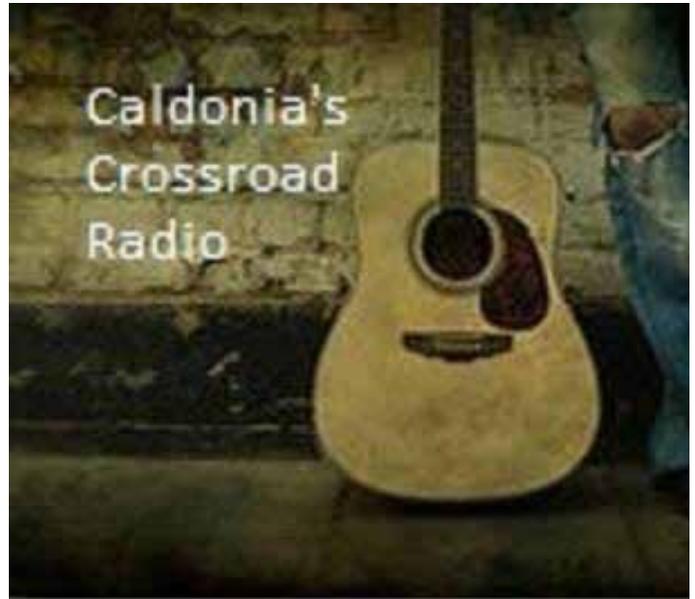
2015 promises to be an equally successful year. You can help by:

- ▲ Keeping your DCBS membership current and encouraging others to join
- ▲ Attending DCBS events
- ▲ Volunteering your time on behalf of DCBS
- ▲ Visiting our partner businesses
- ▲ Entering the DCBS contests
- ▲ Spreading the word about DCBS benefits
- ▲ Providing DCBS with ideas & feedback on events, etc.
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DCBS Internet Radio Show Is Back On The Air!

Create a bookmark on your computer browser now for Caldonia's Crossroad Radio, <http://www.caldoniascrossroad.com/>, where you can hear the DC Blues Society internet radio show every Friday from 4 to 6 pm. Cadillac Chris (aka Chris DeProperty) is back on the air for this show as the volunteer DJ. If you know Chris from WPFW 89.3 FM (where she currently hosts the Thursday noon show, Don't Forget the Blues), then you know she always has a great compilation of blues music for your listening pleasure.

The DC Blues Society internet radio show was previously on GoldRadio.net, until the blues programming on that website ended several months ago. Some of the other blues DJ's from GoldRadio have also moved to Caldonia's Crossroads Radio. Check it out: 24/7 365 days a year, playing blues, roots, soul and jazz. If you tune in to listen to Cadillac Chris, also try the Chat option to let her know you're a listener! And, help spread the word, "Like" Caldonia's Crossroads on Facebook.



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