# **APPEARANCE SCHEDULE**

December 2002

Wisconsin Polka Boosters Christmas Party Pulaski Inn Cudahy, WI 1:00-7:00 p.m. Sunday Alternating with Verne Meisner

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Moose Lodge #49 Members Önly 5476 S. 13th St. Milwaukee, WI 8:00-11:00 p.m. Friday

Hiawatha Bar Dancer Appreciation Day 9809 Durand Ave. Sturtevant, WI 2:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday

January 2003

Moose Lodge #49 Members Önly 5476 S. 13th St. Milwaukee, WI 8:00-11:00 p.m. Saturday

Hiawatha Bar 9809 Durand Ave. Sturtevant, WI 2:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday

February

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Ramada Inn 200 N. Green Bay Rd. Waukegan, IL 2:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday

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Hiawatha Bar 9809 Durand Ave. Sturtevant, WI 2:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday

March

Moose Lodge #49 Members Only 5476 S. 13<sup>th</sup> St. Milwaukee, WI 8:00-11:00 p.m. Saturday

Diamond Jim's 4740 W. Bradley Rd. Milwaukee, WI 1:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday

April

Hiawatha Bar 9809 Durand Ave. Sturtevant, WI 2:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday

Janesville Moose Lodge #197 Members Only 2701 Rockport Rd. Janesville, WI 7:30-11:00 p.m. Friday



# THE MIKE SCHNEIDER BAND **NEWSLETTER**

December 1, 2002

## An Annual Publication of the Mike Schneider Band

2002 Performances & Appearances Mike Schneider was no April Fool on April 1 when he appeared live for the first time on Joe Scheibinger's Backstage Live radio show on News-Talk 1450 KFIZ in Fond du Lac, WI. The two personalities discussed Mike's latest release, Polka Visions, and his busy performance schedule. Later that month, Mike and his band made their first performance in the Wisconsin Dells at the Howard Johnson Antiqua Bay Resort.



Doug Krueger, Paul and Mike Schneider, Walter Ostanek, Bob Breuer

In May, the Mike Schneider Band had the privilege of performing alongside of Canada's Polka King, Walter Ostanek, at American Serb Hall in Milwaukee. This special event was held to promote future broadcasts of polka music on AM 1250 WEMP Milwaukee. Mike and his group also appeared at the 24th Annual Wisconsin Polka Fest in Concord, WI and at the May Ball in Jefferson, WI.

### 2002 Recordings

If you have yet to purchase your copy of Polka Visions, you're missing out on Mike's best recording effort to date. The album features an all-star polka cast and has received rave reviews from Polka DJs across the country. Be sure to order

your CD for \$15.00 or cassette for \$11.00 today. Prices include shipping and handling.

Mike also provided the vocals for the Blue Moon Waltz on Third Generation, a compilation release featuring over a dozen of the nation's top polka talents under the age of 30.

## 2002 Radio Jingle

If you listen to Backstage Live with Joe Scheibinger on News-Talk 1450 KFIZ in Fond du Lac, WI, you may have heard an opening jingle Mike recorded for the award-nominated program. Be sure to tune in weekdays from 9 until 11 AM!

#### 2002 Nominations

Thanks in part to their effort on *Polka Visions*, the Mike Schneider Band was honored in August by the National Cleveland Style Polka Hall of Fame with a nomination in its Best New / Young Band category. Mike was also nominated for the same award in 1999 proceeding the release of his first CD, The Pursuit Of Polka's Lost Frontier. During the past six years, Mike and his band have been nominated for 10 awards from three different organizations, including the Wisconsin Polka Hall of Fame, the Wisconsin Area Music Industry, and the National Cleveland Style Polka Hall of Fame.

#### 2003 Scheduled Performances

The 2003 festival season will begin on Saturday, May 3, 2003 at the May Ball in Jefferson, WI. Mike and his group will be making their second consecutive appearance there starting at 8:00 PM. Two weeks after that, the Mike Schneider Band will perform for the third time at the Wisconsin Polka Fest in Concord, WI, which will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary. The band's longest trip booked thus far, however, is the Willard Polka Festival in Willard, WI, where they'll be alternating with another fine Wisconsin polka group from 12 until 5:15 PM on June 29.

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Mike Schneider (right) pictured with master accordionist, Joey Miskulin (left) at Baldoni Accordions (Menomonee Falls, WI).