

APPEARANCE SCHEDULE

December 2008

7 (Sunday)
Pulaski Inn
Wisconsin Polka Boosters
Christmas Dinner Dance
3900 E. Pulaski Ave. Cudahy, WI
11:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

31 (Wednesday)
Essen Haus
New Year's Eve Polka Party
514 E. Wilson St. Madison, WI
8:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m.
(608) 255-4674 for Reservations

January 2009

4 (Sunday)
Turner Hall of Monroe
1217 17th Ave. Monroe, WI
2:00-6:00 p.m.

7 (Wednesday)
Pulaski Inn
3900 E. Pulaski Ave. Cudahy, WI
1:00-4:00 p.m.

11 (Sunday)
Hiawatha Ballroom
9809 Durand Ave. Sturtevant, WI
2:00-6:00 p.m.

24 (Saturday)
Essen Haus
514 E. Wilson St. Madison, WI
8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.

February

4 (Wednesday)
Pulaski Inn
3900 E. Pulaski Ave. Cudahy, WI
1:00-4:00 p.m.

21 (Saturday)
Essen Haus
514 E. Wilson St. Madison, WI
8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.

27 (Friday)
Essen Haus
514 E. Wilson St. Madison, WI
8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.

March

1 (Sunday)
Turner Hall of Monroe
1217 17th Ave. Monroe, WI
2:00-6:00 p.m.

4 (Wednesday)
Pulaski Inn
3900 E. Pulaski Ave. Cudahy, WI
1:00-4:00 p.m.

22 (Sunday)
Hiawatha Ballroom
9809 Durand Ave. Sturtevant, WI
2:00-6:00 p.m.

29 (Sunday)
Carl's Catering & Banquet
Wisconsin Polka Hall of Fame
Spring Dance
5110 W. Loomis Rd. Greendale, WI
Times TBA



THE MIKE SCHNEIDER BAND NEWSLETTER

December 5, 2008

AN ANNUAL PUBLICATION OF THE MIKE SCHNEIDER BAND!

BABY GARRETT SCHNEIDER IS HERE!

On July 30, 2008, my wife Heather and I welcomed our son Garrett into the world. It's hard to believe how quickly these last four months have passed by. Needless to say, *Pint Size Polkas* has become a favorite of Garrett's – he may be the world's youngest polka fan!

TELEVISION AND RADIO

The Wisconsin television media has picked up on *Pint Size Polkas* in a fairly substantial way, providing me the opportunity to discuss the project in Madison on December 11 on NBC 15 during their 4:00 PM news, in Green Bay on CBS 5 on December 14 during their morning news, and in La Crosse on ABC 19 on December 15 during their morning news. Then on December 16, I'll be on 96.3 Star Country with John and Tammy during their 7:30 AM segment. More media appearances are in the works, as well, including a prominent television talk show in Milwaukee. Be sure to tune in to all of these programs, and stay tuned to www.mikeschneiderband.com for clips from each program as they become available.

2008 AWARDS AND NOMINATIONS

For the eighth time, the membership of the Wisconsin Polka Hall of Fame nominated the Mike Schneider Band for their Band of the Year Award. To support Mike and his band in their bid to finally win the Band of the Year title in 2009, visit www.wisconsinpolkahalloffame.com and join today. Make next year the year they take home the Band of the Year trophy!

2008 RECORDINGS

Speaking of recordings, I was fortunate enough to be able to release two new CDs this year. In May, I released my first and quite possibly only variety CD entitled *Accordion Artistry*.

This disc contains 12 classic songs, including such fan favorites as the *Tennessee Waltz* and *I Just Want to Dance with You*. Then in October, I released *Pint Size Polkas Volume One*, which is the first authentic polka CD specifically marketed to children. I believe that polka music's future is bright, and that *Pint Size Polkas* could make a significant impact in preserving and promoting this great music we know and love. So, if you have any children in your life, whether they are your kids, grandkids, or just the neighbor kid next door who's learning to ride his or her bike for the first time, this is the CD to get for them. It makes a great stocking stuffer this holiday season, and chances are you'll really like the music, too. Some of the more recognizable tracks include *Teach Me How to Yodel*, *Hey Baba Reba*, and the *Whoop Polka*, plus three originals and new lyrics for many other familiar tunes. Make your investment in polka music's future today by sending your check or money order for \$15.00 (includes shipping) made payable to Mike Schneider, P.O. Box 342623, Milwaukee, WI 53234. Or make your purchase online by visiting the Recordings page at www.mikeschneiderband.com. At *Pint Size Polkas*, we're bringing happy back!



Garrett Schneider, the apple of his parents' eyes, was born on July 30, 2008.