



# Lizard Letter

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This month is a great month for all of us. Blues, and the first day of spring!

They almost coincide. March 20 is the day spring arrives, and the next day, Trampled Under Foot hits our stage. March 21, doors open at 6 pm, music begins at 7 pm. All at the Starlite Village. The opening act comes recommended by some of our own Lizards who saw them at the Bayfront Blues Festival in August. Our headliner was here once before, and they were great. Now, Trampled Under Foot has a new album out called, Badlands. At it is great. We have had



a lot of ticket requests from all over. Sioux City, Spencer, Minnesota, Kansas City, Des Moines, and Omaha. People are coming, so roll out the red carpet as another great Lizard Creek Blues show threatens to blow the roof off! See you there!

We abandoned our February meeting because of blowing snow and cold. We will accept nominations for offices this meeting, and vote the same night. This was all moved back a night because of the weather, but we will amend on the first day of spring. The monthly meeting for Lizard Creek is March 20. We hope to be meeting at Olde Boston.

Well I have finished a personal project this evening. I finished putting 14,677 songs on my iPod. That's about 41 days of music, if the battery lasted that long. Just 8,017 are blues songs. That is 23.7 days of music, and a lot of good memories! Now on to the next idea.

**Keep the blues alive! See you March 21 with Trampled Under Foot!**

**Cool City Man!**

**Bob**

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Thanks! Carolyn

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There are no meeting minutes from February 2014 as the meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

**Fifteen Blues Artists to Watch in 2014**

For a majority of the 20th century, the blues stayed underground, until the British invasion brought it to the forefront of mainstream media with guitarists like Eric Clapton of Cream, Keith Richards of The Rolling Stones and George Harrison of The Beatles channeling the old blues masters' licks.

"Blues rock" is what some media outlets called it. And bands like the Allman Brothers, Lynard Skynard and ZZ Top solidified the blues movement popularity among Southerners, making it even more mainstream. And the Three Kings -- Albert, Freddie and B.B. -- soon found a new wave of fans attending their shows, as well as a generation of guitar players aspiring to recreate that perfect tone.

Since the death of Texas blues' rising star Stevie Ray Vaughan, who took the devil's tone and made it his own, the blues has slowly slipped back into the obscurity of its underground roots, despite record companies' best efforts to keep it at the forefront with a slew of guitarists imitating Vaughan's style.

Today, the blues is an underground scene that thrives on websites such as Live Blues World, Reverbnation and Live365.com, which offers a slew of Internet radio stations playing the blues. Mainstream radio stations, on the other hand, are too busy regurgitating the same old shit from the '90s and early 2000s and the assigning words of talk show hosts to pay attention to this vibrant movement igniting laptops, iPads and data phones globally. See list> (Continued on page 3)

*Next Lizard Creek Blues  
Society Meeting*

*Thursday*

*March 20, 2014*

*7pm*

*Olde Boston's*

*Fort Dodge, Iowa*

*\*LCBS meetings are*

*held on the 3rd*

*THURSDAY of*

*each month. All mem-*

*bers are welcome and*

*encouraged to attend.*

## **Fifteen Blues Artists to Watch in 2014 continued...**

- 15. Larry Lampkin**
- 14. Doyle Bramhall II**
- 13. Royale Rhythmaires**
- 12. Joe Bonamassa**
- 11. Eric Gales**
- 10. Jason Elmore & Hoodoo Witch**
- 9. Joanne Shaw Taylor**
- 8. Oli Brown**
- 7. Kenny Wayne Sheppard**
- 6. Tedeschi Trucks Band**
- 5. Jimmy Bowskill**
- 4. The Black Keys**
- 3. Davy Knowles and Back Door Slam**
- 2. North Mississippi Allstars**
- 1. Gary Clark Jr.**

Full article by Christian McPhate @ <http://www.dallasobserver.com>

# Upcoming Events

Friday 3/21/14

Lizard Creek Blues Society hosts:

Trampled Under Foot with Crankshaft and the Geargrinders opening the show.

Starlite Village, Fort Dodge, IA

Sunday 3/23/14	Ryne Doughty	Byron's-	Pomeroy, IA
Sunday 3/30/14	Harper	Byron's—	Pomeroy, IA
Friday 4/04/14	Damon Fowler	The Gas Lamp—	Des Moines, IA
Friday 4/18/14	Joe Bonamassa	Civic Center—	Des Moines, IA
Friday 4/25/14	Samantha Fish	House of Bricks—	Des Moines, IA

The International Blues Foundations 35TH BLUES MUSIC AWARDS are scheduled May 8th, 2014 at the Cook Convention Center in Memphis, TN. If your thinking of going you should reserve a hotel/motel room NOW! Tickets go on sale and voting begins MONDAY Dec. 16th. You need to be a member of the IBF to vote. [blues.org](http://blues.org)

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*Mission Statement*

- \*To preserve, cultivate, and support the blues in Central Iowa on all levels and multiple venues.
- \*To provide a newsletter of current blues news and events for members.
- \*To increase awareness of and appreciation for the blues through society sanctioned educational efforts.
- \*To provide a network of association for area blues lovers.

*Lizard Creek Blues Society Membership Application*

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