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Have you heard the NEWS



"There's Good Rocking Tonight"

News letter for members of the Official Elvis Presley Fan Club, Elvis-Aberdeen.

Elvis—Almost In Love

Many of you may remember the various Camden releases which made up a large part of my Elvis vinyl collection as I was growing up, so it is now gratifying to see that some of these are now being released. I for one am very happy and looking forward to replacing my tape (remember those?) copy of 'Almost in Love' with the CD.

I remember the album with much fondness as I loved a lot of the tracks on that album from the title track taken from the film *Live a Little, Love a Little* to 'Edge of Reality', 'Clean Up your Own Backyard', 'Rubberneckin' and the now ubiquitous 'A Little Less Conversation', and who could forget 'My Little Friend'.

It is one album I played again and again and have to say has stood the test of time very well as it has a nice cross section of styles and moods, blended with some style by our man.

I look forward to hearing this album a bit more in the future too!



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Elvis Trivia

Interesting Numbers;

\$220,000—Value of jewellery given away by Elvis in one night in Asheville North Carolina, July 1975.

\$12.75—Reportedly amount paid by Vernon for Elvis' first guitar bought in 1946.

\$78—Elvis' monthly salary as a private upon first entering the army in 1958. It was down from \$400,000 a month as a civilian.

ANOTHER REMINDER: MEMBERSHIP FEES DUE 31st MARCH

Everyone should have received a Membership Renewal form for 2009.

The Annual Membership Fee which remains at _ is due for payment by 31st March 2009. Please send a cheque as per Renewal Form details, or alternatively pay at the March Dance. (Renewal forms will be available at the door)

The Membership Renewal will now become due at the same time each year, 31st March for everyone. **Remember it's your club so please support it!**

You will see that there is a space for email address, please include this if you have one as we are trying to encourage everyone to receive the newsletter by email where possible. There is also a space for dates of birth, we may use this in the future for including birthdays on the newsletter so please advise unless of course you don't want to tell everyone how old you are!



Having Fun On Stage With Elvis — Elvis Aberdeen Outing

The Official Elvis Presley Fan Club of Great Britain

In association with the Edinburgh Elvis Branch is holding an event on Saturday 13th June from 4.00pm until Midnight at The Corn Exchange, 11 Newmarket Road, Edinburgh, EH14 1RJ

Elvis-Aberdeen is looking at the possibility of organizing a bus to this event and would like to hear from anyone wishing to attend by 30th April 2009. Those interested must pay a non-refundable deposit of £2.00 to cover the cost of the tickets which have to be booked in advance.

The event will comprise of a bus to Edinburgh on Saturday lunch time, the event takes place from 4.00pm, and there will then be an overnight stay to be arranged.

Please contact Richard Stables or Tracey Walker if interested or see us by April Club Night.

ELVIS TOUR BUS—FAKE?

Several months ago Joe Krein, an Elvis Collector and expert was approached and asked if he would help promote Elvis Presley's Tour Bus. The aim was to try and raise money in order to restore and preserve 'Elvis Presley's TCB Tour Bus'. However the owner, Bill Kinard sent a photo to Joe Krein and it was clear that it was not in fact Elvis' Tour Bus. This was the bus for J.D. Sumner & The Stamps. Elvis had purchased the bus, but it was never actually used by Elvis for any of his tours. Kinard insisted that YES it was Elvis' tour bus, used by Elvis and when Elvis heard J.D. needed a tour bus, he gave him this one. It is believed that Elvis did drive the bus on two occasions. The first time was when he first bought it. Elvis asked J.D. if he could drive it. J.D. got a little nervous and Elvis said; 'If I break it I'll buy you another one'. After the history of the bus was proved to Mr Kinard he then changed the story.

This story then stopped until recently when the bus reappeared on various Elvis News websites this month with the headlines 'Elvis bus is coming to Tupelo'. And, of course, it just happens to be the same bus and still owned by the same person! Not once in the promotion does he mention J.D. Sumner, let alone that it was the Stamps bus and NOT Elvis'. On Mr. Kinard's website he states; '*Legacy Hall of Fame Inc. plans to bring Elvis Presley's TCB Tour Bus and a 1957 Pink Cadillac that Elvis purchased to East, Tupelo, Mississippi, restore it, and put it on display for fans to come and see from around the world. In order to do this we must raise funds to pay for the cost to save the TCB Tour Bus, restore it, and construct a fans museum to protect the bus and display the above. Legacy Hall of Fame Inc. is asking for donations of \$5.00, \$10.00 and etc., (US Dollars) from individuals, a fan club can donate what ever they like.*

Once again Mr. Kinard was contacted and advised that this bus with the TCB logo on the side is NOT Elvis Presley's tour bus! It was NEVER used by Elvis Presley on any of his tours! It was bought for J.D. Sumner and The Stamps Quartet by Elvis who did 'test drive' the bus when it first arrived. Ed Hill of The Stamps confirmed that this bus was bought for J.D. Sumner by Elvis and that it was never actually used by Elvis personally. After seeing the news of this bus and Caddy, Marty Lacker wrote regarding the subject and also confirmed that 'Elvis' tour bus was a FLEX not an MCI like this one is that Bill Kinard has. After 1968 Elvis never used that bus again [FLEX]. We used the FLEX to go back and forth to Hollywood to make movies. This adds even more weight to the fact that the bus was never used by Elvis for his tours etc.'

Isn't it amazing that there are still those out there trying to con money out of Elvis fans...



Next Dance: Friday 27th March