



The Checkmates, Ltd. -- Louis Smith, Sonny Charles, and Bobby Stevens, break their own attendance record at the Airport Sheraton.



Entertainment Guide

by Allen Jones

The Checkmates' recent successful engagement at the Airport Sheraton demonstrates their "people pulling power" for over a decade. The Checkmates have pleased audiences from coast to coast and in as far-flung countries as Japan, Hong Kong, Asia and Europe.

WHEN I met lead singer Sonny Charles in the mid sixties, he was playing on the strip up in Hollywood. He and song stylist Carmen McCreary were on the same bill together. Needless to say, it was an excellent show. My date and I were seated in the front row and after the first show had concluded, we immediately headed for the stage door to go back stage and tell Carmen and Sonny how much we enjoyed the show.

We didn't know Carmen, Sonny -- or the management staff for that matter. But we did know we wanted to go back stage! After casually walking by the security guard and giving him one of those "I'll dare you to ask me who I am" look, we went in and met them. Sonny's Gold Single "Black Pearl" was very popular at the time. It was a couple of years before I met the other members of the Checkmates.

This marks the second engagement at the Airport Sheraton and their popularity in the Pacific Northwest continues to grow. They broke the attendance record when they were here this past summer, only to come back in December to shatter their first record. These guys are pro's from the word go!

Bobby Stevens and "Sweet" Louis Smith, along with Sonny Charles, make up the Checkmates. When you watch these gents doing their thing on stage, it's very easy to get caught in the excitement they can generate on stage.

Most of their selections were taken from their latest album entitled "We Got The Moves". Tunes included: "Take All The Time You Need", "Let's Do It", "Sunshine After The Storm", "Loving You A Lifetime" and, my favorite, "Falling In Love". You'll be glad to add this one to your collection. It's mellow. The lyrics, arrangements and orchestrations are exceptional.

Each year the entertainers on the Las Vegas Strip recognize their own in the entertainment business. The Checkmates have won it seven times for Group of the Year. If you were one of the fortunate people to catch one of the Sheraton you can see why they've won so often. If you didn't catch one of the shows, just pick up their latest album, "We Got The Moves". That'll hold until March or April when they are supposed to come back to Portland. That will hold ya!

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Community Calendar

Labor Commissioner Mary Wendy Roberts will keynote the annual conven-
tion of the Oregon Women's Political Caucus to be held January 13th at
Chemeketa Community College in Salem.

Secretary of State Norma Paulus will host a benefit honoring the new
women legislators at her home following the business session. Meetings will be
held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Buildings 1 and 3, Chemeketa Community
College.

Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods, January 16th, 7:30 p.m., King
Neighborhood Facility. Speaker from Neighborhood Mediation Project, Por-
tland Comprehensive Plan; North Albina Commercial-Industrial Council;
Bureau of Neighborhood Environment.

Concordia Community Association: Concordia College, 7:30 p.m. January
17th. Elections; Future of vacant land adjacent to Dekum Court.

Piedmont Neighborhood Association: January 17th, Holy Redeemer Church,
7:30 p.m. Street improvements; City's new "dangerous housing" ordinance

The changing relationship between the world's industrialized and developing
countries, and the relationship of the earth's environment to international
development will be discussed by Noel Brown, of the United Nations Environ-
ment Program, in an appearance at Portland State University, Friday, January
19th at 1:00 p.m., in Room 338, Smith Memorial Center.

Brown is a Jamaican who has taught at the University of the West Indies and
at Hunter College. He has published works dealing with policy questions raised
by emerging nations in the Caribbean, on the future of the United Nations, and
on the question of national sovereignty vs international cooperation.

He currently is researching the question of international responses and
responsibilities in cases of national insurgency.

Culture and technology of Indians of the Lower Columbia River region will
be featured at the annual show of the Oregon Archaeological Society January
13 through 21 at omsi. The closing day, January 21st, will feature the fourth
annual conference on Indian materials and culture.

The American Red Cross will sponsor Water Safety Instructor classes and
Prenatal Education and Home Nursing. Call 243-5272.

The Boost Educational Talent Search Program will sponsor a financial aid
workshop on January 17th at 7:30 p.m. for students and parents at the King
School Cafeteria. Call 229-3815 or stop by the office at King Neighborhood
Facility.

Ellen Goldberg will present a reading-presentation of several women's poetry
at the Metropolitan Community Church on January 19th at 8:00 p.m. Featured
in the free, public event will be the works of Portland women poets from a
variety of ethnic and cultural backgrounds as well as a piece written especially
for this program by all of the women involved.

Portland Public Schools Area Advisory Committees: January 15th, 7:30
p.m. Area I - Wilson Park School; Area II - Marshal High School; Area III -
Mt. Tabor School.

Portland School Board meeting - January 22nd, 7:30 p.m. Benson High
School: subject desegregation

Laleche League - January 12th, 7:30 p.m. "Art of Breastfeeding", 6107 N.
Greely. Public invited

The Bill Evans Company, of Seattle, will conduct master classes at Jefferson
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