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2. Mama's Drinkin' Liquor Again by King Tyrone
3. Shoo Da Wop by Mr. David
4. Man On A Mission by Willie Hill
5. I'm Going Home by Clovers
6. There Goes My Baby by Kenny Vance & Planotones
7. It Must Be Love by Hardway Connection
8. Heavy Love by Fantastic Shakers
9. Hey Mister Dee Jay by Lonnie Givens
10. Why Me by Willie P

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1. Mama's Drinkin' Liquor Again by King Tyrone
2. Hey Mister Dee Jay by Lonnie Givens
3. Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is by Sista Monica
4. Do That Thang Again by Archie Bell
5. Motor Under The Hood by The Holiday Band
6. It Only Hurts Me When I Cry by Raul Malo
7. Boogie Down Bronx by Angel Rissoff
8. Dirty Old Man by Hardway Connection
9. Chunk In Her Trunk by Mojo Blues Band
10. I Wanna Love You by Dr. Wu

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3. Hey Mr Dee Jay by Lonnie Givens
4. It Only Hurts Me When I Cry by Raul Malo
5. Money Honey by Craig Woolard
6. Boogie Down Bronx by Angel Rissoff
7. Groovin' by Jackie Wilson
8. Good Home Lovin' by Wanda Jackson
9. Fool If You Think It's Over by The Holiday Band
10. Dirty Old Man by Hardway Connection

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2. It Only Hurts Me When I Cry by Raul Malo
3. Shadow Shaggin' by Tommy Black
4. Hey Mister Dee Jay by Lonnie Givens
5. Money Honey by Craig Woolard
6. Do That Thang Again by Archie Bell
7. Most Of The Pretty Young Girls by William Dell & Wee Jams
8. If You Can't Shag by Rev. Bubba D Liverance
9. Turn Me Over by The Coastline Band
10. Emperor Of My Baby's Heart by Paul Craver

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1. Mama's Drinkin' Liquor Again by King Tyrone
2. It Only Hurts Me When I Cry by Raul Malo
3. Sure Cure For The Blues by Miranda Louise
4. Ain't No Big Thing by Angel Risoff
5. Money Honey by Craig Woolard
6. Rhythm by The Inmen
7. Ain't That The Truth by Danny Brooks
8. Steppin' On My Tears by Mojo Blues Band
9. Green River by Shaggy Maggie
10. Carina by James Hunter

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2. Mama's Drinkin' Liquor Again by King Tyrone
3. There Goes My Baby by Kenny Vance & Planotones
4. Begin The Beguine by The Legends Of Beach
5. How Deep Is Your Love by The BeeGees
6. Bet You'll Never Be Sorry by Craig Woolard
7. Just An Idea by Tim Cashion
8. Something Old Something New by Gary Brown
9. Do You Love Me by Temptations
10. My My My by The Whispers

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2. Why Am I Crying by Rhonda McDaniel
3. Mama's Drinkin' Liquor Again by King Tyrone
4. There Goes My Baby by Kenny Vance & Planotones
5. Hey Mister Dee Jay by Lonnie Givens
6. It Only Hurts Me When I Cry by Raul Malo
7. Money Honey by Craig Woolard
8. Shadow Shaggin' by Tommy Black
9. One Step Closer by Rick Strickland
10. That House On The Hill by Hank Ballard

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1. Take Me Witcha by Ronnie Baker Brooks
2. Hello Baby by Tim Krekel
3. Between The Devil And The Deep Blue Sea by Chris Rea
4. Mama's Drinkin' Liquor Again by King Tyrone
5. It Only Hurts Me When I Cry by Raul Malo
6. Been There Done That by Francine Reed
7. Don't Lose My Number by Smokin' Joe Kubek & B'nois King
8. Just A Closer Walk With Thee by James Solberg
9. Tell Me The Truth by Bob Steele
10. It's 2 A.M. by Shemekia Copeland

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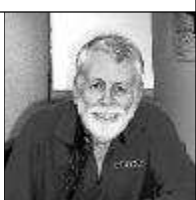


1. Ain't That The Truth by Danny Brooks
2. Mama's Drinkin' Liquor Again by King Tyrone
3. See See Rider by Elmore James Jr.
4. I'm Going Home by James Solberg
5. Hey Mr Dee Jay by Lonnie Givens
6. Fool For You by Paul Craver
7. There Goes My Baby by Kenny Vance & Planotones
8. It Only Hurts Me When I Cry by Raul Malo
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2. Caught Red Handed by Jon Cleary
3. Class Act by James Hunter
4. Big Bad Love by Shawn King And Steve Tyrell
5. Sharp Dressed Man by Kristen Bell
6. Wade In The Water by Emily Eva Cassidy
7. Diddy Wah Diddy by Charlie Karp
8. Lowdown by Jimmy Sommers
9. Club Paradisco by Rippingtons
10. Strut Remix by Taj Mahal

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2. I Want To Hold Your Hand by Across The Universe
3. She's A Hottie by Toby Keith
4. Rehab by Amy Winehouse
5. Pay Before You Pump by Denise Lasalle
6. Can't Help Falling In Love by Elvis Presley
7. Just My Imagination by Boyz II Men
8. Gotta Dance by Ron Moody
9. Times Are Tough In Rock N Roll by Elizabeth Cox
10. Still Cruisin' by Beach Boys

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2. Lula Mae by Roy Gaines
3. Lucky Lucky Me by Pat Carpenter
4. Pigg'in' Out by Mojo Blues Band
5. Mary Jane by Mannish Boys
6. Because Of You by Ne Yo
7. Think by Angel Rissoff
8. My Babe by Home Cookin'
9. Real Love by Drizabone
10. Stuck On You by 3T

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1. 4 Minutes by Madonna
2. Because Of You by Ne Yo
3. Jesus Will Fix It by Al Green
4. Ella Pa Lante by Thalia
5. Kool Wit Me by Allure
6. Cupid Shuffle by Cupid
7. Fight The Power by The Isley Brothers
8. Rack Em Up by Jonny Lang
9. No, No, No by Hamilton Loomis
10. I Don't Wanna Cry by Mariah Carey

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2. Sexy Girls by Kashif
3. Dangerous by Kardinal Offishall
4. Blues Stew by Kenny Neal
5. Simple Life by Maysa
6. 4 Minutes by Madonna (Feat Justin Timberlake)
7. Let's Get It On by Gerald Levert
8. Cupid Shuffle by Cupid
9. Outside The Club by Adina Howard
10. These Arms Of Mine by Otis Redding

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2. I Only Have Love by Phantom Blues Band
3. Hear Me Knockin by Rod Piazza & The Mighty Flyers
4. Day In Day Out by Paul M
5. Lies, Lies, Lies by Harmonica Shah
6. I've Got To Help My Own Damn Self by Harmonica Shah
7. Every Time The Whistle Whines by Tony Sarno
8. The More You Lie To Me by Artie "Blues Boy" White
9. I Wanna Be Down by Brandy
10. In The Ayer by Flo Rida Ft Will.I.Am

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2. Last Night by Chris Anderson & D. J. Robbie
3. There Goes My Baby by Kenny Vance & Planotones
4. Back In The U.S.A. by John Boy Bolding
5. The Sweet Escape by Gwen Stefani
6. Me And Bobby McGee by Rhonda McDaniel
7. All Shook Up by Billy Joel
8. Money Honey by Craig Woolard
9. My Big Sister's Radio by Tommy Castro
10. Run Around Sue by Dion

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2. Where Or When by Billy Scott
3. I'm Down by Burton Garr
4. Stand by Your Man by Candi Staton
5. Kiss Me All Over by Clarence Carter
6. Keep Your Legs Crossed by Clifford Curry
7. Doo Doo Wop by The Coastline Band
8. Creole Farmers Stomp by Zydeco Farmers
9. C'est La Vie by Henry Parilla
10. Little Darlin' by Jimmy Barnes

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1. Sexual Healing by Sara Conner Ft Ne Yo
2. The Careless Things We Do by Kip Anderson
3. First Lover by Gap Band
4. Stranded by Fernando Jones
5. Respect Yourself by 5th Dimension
6. Forever by Chris Brown
7. Funky Good Time by Paul Tillotson
8. Mustang Sally by Buddy Guy
9. She's A Bad Mamma Jamma by Carl Carlton
10. I Don't Want You Hanging Around by Mike Morgan And The Crawl

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1. My Baby's Hot by Rick Vito
2. Funkafied Blues by E. C. Scott
3. Heartbreak Hotel by Neil Diamond And Kim Carnes
4. Come On Over by Jessica Simpson
5. Please Love Me by Joe Moss
6. Let Me Be by Grady Champion
7. Corner Bar Blues by Liz Mandville Greeson
8. A Little Piece At A Time by Good Jelly Bess
9. Come On And Rock Me by Billy Dunn Bluesway
10. Checkin' Up On My Baby by Mick Jagger

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2. Ring My Bells by Enrique Iglesias
3. Boogie Down Bronx by Angel Rissoff
4. Sentimental by Gareth Gates
5. Big Bad Love by Shawn King
6. Don't Bother Me by Billy Dunn Bluesway
7. Mess O'Blues by Jeff Healey
8. Automatic by Brothers Conti
9. Walk Of Shame by Eight To The Bar
10. Let The Good Times Roll by Jim Byrnes

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2. Dreamin' Of You by Bob Dylan
3. Love Me Like A Man by Bonnie Raitt
4. Dancin' Til Dawn by Lenny Kravitz
5. Let Your Light Shine by Keb' Mo'
6. Don't Let The Devil Take Your Mind by Jackie Green
7. Everybody Wants To Go To Heaven by Kenny Chesney
8. Good Man, Good Woman by Bonnie Raitt Ft Delbert McClinton
9. Love That Girl by Raphael Saadiq
10. Spotlight by Jennifer Hudson

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2. Back In Love Again by Gordon
3. Slinky by Mindi Abair
4. Stuff Like That by Ashford And Simpson
5. Sweet Feeling by Cracked Ice
6. Fields Of Change by Shahin And Sepehr
7. Black Coffee by Pippi
8. 4 Minutes by Madonna
9. She Dat Pretty by Steven Segal
10. You're The Boss by Big John Ruth And Susan Trexler

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2. Big Ol' Game by Joss Stone
3. Pride & Joy by Stevie Ray Vaughan & BB King
4. There Goes My Baby by Kenny Vance & Planotones
5. Pitch A Boogie Woogie by Gary Brown
6. I Should Have Been True by Raul Malo
7. My Baby's Hot by Rick Vito
8. Back 'atcha by Latimore
9. Come When I Call by John Mayer
10. Mustang Sally by Robert "Bilbo Walker

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2. Snows Of July by Angel Rissoff
3. Mr. So 'n So by Smokehouse
4. Blue Angel by Sonny Landreth, Robben Ford & Vince Gill
5. Da Thrill Is Gone From Here by Chris Thomas King
6. Boogie Down Bronx by Angel Rissoff
7. Ring My Bells by Enrique Iglesias
8. Aint That The Truth by Danny Brown
9. Staying With Me by Los Lonely Boys
10. Black Coffee by Pippi

My Music Or Yours By Mike Little

Summer is about over, and fall is just around the corner. The season carries on in our minds with plenty of music to last us until our journey takes us on the spring. Ripete Records had huge success in the market place with **Sun, Sand, Surf & Suds** last year. The album carried quite a few of the older songs that had only previously been available on vinyl. Get ready for **Sun, Sand, Surf & Suds Vol. 2**. The compilation contains more than 20



songs to enjoy and dance to during the Migration and beyond. Unlike the first volume, this one carries fifteen newly recorded songs, in addition to some reissues that have not been available except on vinyl. As you may know, Paul Craver recently left The Men of Distinction to pursue his solo endeavors. The Men now release their first single sans Craver. With a dynamite new lead singer, the band's actions speak louder than words, and that they is what do with a remake of the James Phelps song, *Actions Speak Louder Than Words*. Are you familiar

with Big Daddy & The Heavy Weights? You should be. Bandleader "Big Daddy" Vince McDougald was co-founder of The Coastline Band. The Heavy Weights have two heavy songs on the album ... *Jealous Kind Of Fellow*, the old Garland Green song, and *Pouring Water On A Drowning Man*, previously recorded by James Carr. Columbia's Sensational Epics are back with us on the release with *Any Other Way* and The Fabulous Hot Dog Daddy O's give us their version of an obscure Blood, Sweat & Tears song, *Tell Me That I'm Wrong*. Pat Carpenter joins in with his band with a remake of the classic *1-2-3 Kind Of Love*, and Gary Lowder brings us a rework of the Patty Drew classic, *Tell Him*. Gary's version is *Tell Her*. Former Embers' member Gerald Davis sings bass on the selection. Oscar Toney, Jr. joins in with a follow-up to his and Cliff Ellis' hit, *Over At Mary's Place*, *Something Tells Me*. Virginia Beach's Cooling Out band is included in the compilation with their rendition of Candi Staton's *Young Hearts Run Free*. Gold Rush is back with us for *Sugar Darling*. Joining Jerry Shooter and the gang is Bobby Smith on the lead vocals. Bobby, of

course, was the voice behind The Poor Souls' hit songs. Do you remember the song by The Fantastics, *Something Old, Something New*? Of course you do. This compilation carries a new version of the song with the same lead singer as before, that being Jerome "Romeo" Ramos. In the previously recorded arena, The East Coast Party Band joins in with their version of *Candy* with one of The Embers' former lead singers, Mark Black, who now hangs his hat with East Coast. You will also find an original recording by Ronnie Barnes, *What More Can A Man Ask For*, and the original recording of *Tighten Up* by Benny Gordon, recorded long before Archie Bell & The Drells. The album also carries the never-before-release *Private Lessons* by Second Nature, recorded in 1982. You will also find a recording of *Carolina Man* by Steve Jarrell & The Sons Of The Beach. This version, until now, was only available on vinyl. You truly will want to own a copy of **Sun, Sand, Surf & Suds Vol. 2**. During the bleak winter months, it will bring back the memories of the sun, the sand and the surf.

You may remember Liz Mandeville Greeson from the song she had several years ago, *I'm On A Rocket Tonight*. She is back with us with a new album and a new name. The blues vocalist dropped the "Greeson", which she added years ago via marriage. The marriage is long dissolved, and the name "Greenon" is gone too. Her new album, on the Earwig Music label, is **Red Top**. When you see her on the cover of the CD, you will understand why the title song is *Red Top*. It is a very jazzy, upbeat Blues song that will get your adrenalin going and your feet moving. However, the key song is *Cornier Bar Blues*. This one you will like extremely well, that is if you truly like the Blues. However, don't overlook *Whoa, Whoa, Whoa*. It, too, has the right flavor for some good Soul cooking. *Scratch The Kitty* also caught my attention. It opens up like the *T-Bone Shuffle*. Special guest artist, tenor sax legend, Eddie Shaw, also joins in on the release on two of the tracks. Liz Mandeville has made her home in Chicago for the past twenty years. She won the 2005 USA Songwriting contest for her comedy/novelty song, *He Left It In The Other Pants*. Not only is Liz an accomplished singer and songwriter, she also writes short stories and paints.



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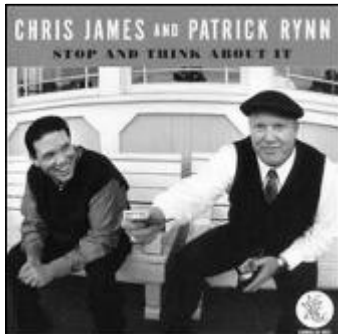
Charlotte, North Carolina native Sonja Grier's musical career started when she began singing on children's television shows at a local station. By the time she turned twelve, she, with her brother, sister, mother and Jim



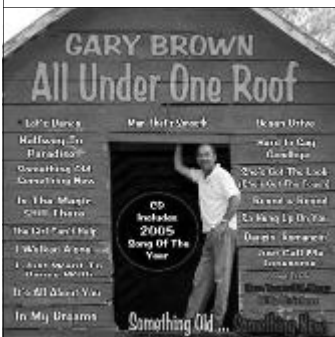
Boyce, a family friend, had formed the Charlotte Steel Drum Symphonette. Jim, a former member of the Trinidad Tripoli Band, one of the first steel drum bands to tour the United States, taught the family how to play and perform. Eventually, they took the act on the road, with Sonja on tenor, bass, alto and congas. She later completed her education with a degree in Criminal Justice from the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. Through it all, she never stopped singing. In 1984, Sonja met producer Bill Bradford, who signed her for background vocals at Spirit Records. Bradford was so impressed with her voice, that he signed her

as a new lead vocalist for Spirit. Her fourth release with the company, *Love Flight 109*, soared up the national club charts and was re-released on RCA Records, which led to a contract with the recording company. Reuniting with Bradford and Spirit, 2003 saw the release of *Right Here, Right Now*, which gather some play in the Beach Music market and the Southeast, but found its target becoming an underground hit in the United Kingdom soul scene. Sonja's rich and soulful voice can now be heard on her new release from Spirit, **Soul Evolution**. Not only does the new release carry the hit single, *Right Here, Right Now* and another previous Spirit recording, *Can't Hold Back*, the album features the potential hit, *Said I'm Sorry*. Look for this one to move quickly into the charts. It should also receive strong play overseas. You will also want to listen to *Been In The Storm Too Long* and *Take Another Chance*. Either one of these have chart potential, as well. You should have no problem in finding **Soul Evolution**. Another great release from Spirit Records!

True Blues fans know vocalist and lead guitarist Chris James and bassist Patrick Rynn as the leaders of their own band, The Blues Four. Now they are stepping out on their own for the new release, **Stop And Think About It**, from Earwig Music. On stage, their rollicking energy level instantly grabs young audiences, who may not even be familiar with Muddy Waters and Howlin' Wolf. This energy has been transposed into this album. For starters, you will truly like *Early One Morning*. This remake of the Big Joe Turner classic will send you scanning the rest of the album for other great tracks. And those you will find with *You're Gone*, *Stop And Think* and *My Kind Of Woman*. You may also find interest in the instrumental song, *Relaxin' At The Clarendon*. These two accomplished musicians are backed on the album by a fine array of musicians, including, Sam Lay and Willie Hayes on the drums and Carla Brownlee on the tenor sax.

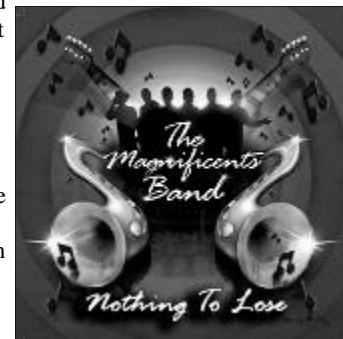


With numerous singles under his belt over the past several years, it was time for Gary Brown to release a new one, and that he did with KHP Music. **All Under One Roof...Something Old, Something New** carries a number of his previously recorded hits including his current hits, *Man That's Smooth* and *Let's Dance*, as well as his 2005 CBMA Song of the Year, *Is The Magic Still There*. The collection of eighteen songs also include his popular *Halfway To*



Paradise, She's Got The Look and his tribute to the Myrtle Beach Pavilion, *Hard To Say Goodbye*. The first single out of the chute is the title track, *Something Old, Something New*. The song, of course, is a recoding of The Fantastic's all-time Beach Music classic, first released in 1971. Gary's rendition should easily be another hit for him. However, you don't want to overlook *The Girl Can't Help It*. This song has "chart" written all over it. This one will do extremely well in the market place as well. You will also want to try *I Just Want To Dance With You*. It also has the potential of charting. This one is a George Strait tune with the "Island" feel to it, as only Gary Brown can give it. Other tunes worth noting on the release are Gary's renditions of Luther Vandross's *It's All About You* and Jack Mack's & The Heart Attacks' *Round And Round*. It seems like every thing that Gary touches turns into a hit, and the selection of songs mentioned on **All Under One Roof...** is no exception. Even though Gary has been on the solo circuit for a number of years, his background extends way beyond that, having performed with The Band Of Oz, The Catalinas, The Holiday Band, Bill Deal & The Rhondells, Harry's Band, Nova's Nine and The Original Men Of Distinction.

Though The Magnificents Band were only formed around New Year's 2006, the band is comprised of six of some of the finest musicians around with years and years of experience. They came on strong first out with their single release of *Wherever I Lay My Hat*. This smash hit is a remake of a Marvin Gaye tune, written by Gaye, Norman Whitfield and the *Money* man, Barrett Strong. The song received some chart attention several years ago when the Sy Kloppe Blues Band released it, but it was The Magnificents Band that brought it to the top of our charts over the past year. The success of this song earned the band the Carolina Beach Music Awards' coveted New Artist/Group Award this past November. It was only inevitable that the song would lead to the band's first full-length release, **Nothing To Lose**, from KHP Records. The album leads off with *Wherever I Lay My Hat*, but the 13-song release is filled with some classics, as well as some originals. Headlining the originals is *Have Love, Will Travel*. I bet the late Richard Boone will down on us every time this song is played in the months ahead. And rightfully so! This one is a hit. Band bass player Jimmy Matherly wrote the song. He sure has the background for writing such a good song as this, having been with The Originals and Time Piece. The album also features an obscure song, originally recorded by the late Darrell Banks. You will remember him from his classic *Open The Door To Your Heart*. The CD also carries a Billy Stewart classic, *Cross My Heart*. The Mags is one of the hottest bands in our market today. Band members include Cecil Johnson on horns, Clint Horton on the vocals, Ruffin Quail on the keyboard, Kim Todd on guitar, Joey Barnes on drums and, of course, Jimmy Matherly on bass. You got nothing to lose with **Nothing To Lose**, especially if the album becomes as popular as the leadoff song. And most likely it will.



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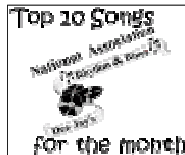


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