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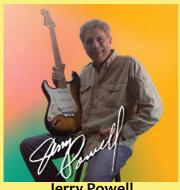
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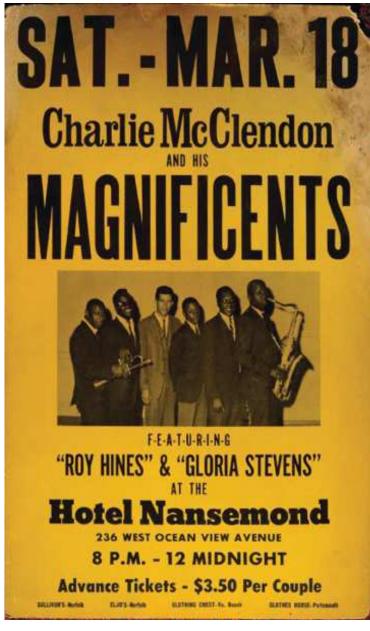
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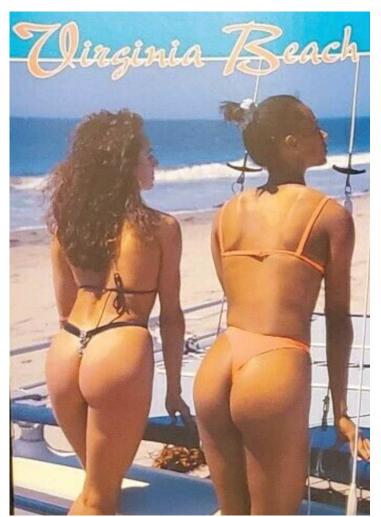
Charlie McClendon & the Magnificents: A Tip of the Virginia Beach Music 'Iceberg'



March 18, 1967, Virginia Beach. Charlie McClendon & His Magnificents (not to be confused with the Burlington, NC Magnificents)

Charlie McClendon is one of several artists whose career and legend grew out of the Virginia Beach area.

McClendon was born in Barnsville, Georgia in 1928, moving to the Hampton Roads, Virginia area around 1940 and drafted by the Army in 1953, finishing his basic training just as the Korean was ended. That was the first good news, followed by a tour in France and Germany where he played with a band in military service clubs. Fort Eustis, Newport continued page 4



Do you remember the rare Virginia Beach Double Full Moon? Appeared for an all-too-brief few months in the early 90s.

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2020 Beach Music Top 40

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Charlie McClendon, piano, in Germany, ca 1953-54

News, Virginia was his final tour, and the beginning of a long career there. In addition to backing national touring acts as they came through the Norfolk area, he often performed at the Top Hat and Peppermint Beach Clubs in Hampton Roads.

Richard Levin, a Jewish kid from New York, encountered McClendon at Longshoremen's Hall in the African American neighborhood on Norfolk's Church Street, where he made McClendon an offer to book the Magnificents. McClendon considered Levin young, but decided to try him out.

The middle 6os were dedicated to club gigs, and Virginia and North Carolina fraternity parties. Along the way, Mc-Clendon's reputation as a musician, composer, and producer grew, although not quite to the stature of Gary U.S. Bonds (LeGrand Records), Jimmy Soul (S.P.Q.R. Records, the sister label of LeGrand), or Gene "Daddy G" Barge. (Although not 'generally' known, Barge became a GIANT in the Pop, R&B, and Jazz industries — that's a long story for another time).

In late '66 / early '67 Tom Herman and Richard Levin founded L-REV records in Norfolk. Steve Herman was studying law at the University of Virginia, but brought his 1950s high school experience with recording and promoting R&B entertainer Kantrell Dixon with Golden Crest records. Steve served in an 'overview' capacity, and the name of the record label which he drew from the abbreviation for academic footnotes in the 'law review journals: L-REV).

General Norman Johnson recommended the Virtue Recording Studio in Philadelphia to Herman and Levin. That's

where the General recorded his Swan record sides.

Before starting his own recording career, McClendon contracted with Frank Guida to back an unknown number of recordings with other artists.

Guida was a self-named "Latin from Manhattan" who moved to Norfolk in to 1953 to open Frankie's Birdland, a record shop in downtown Norfolk.

As part of his record store efforts, he produced platters on local performers The Sheiks, The Bluebeards, and Andy Roberts on labels Ef-N-De, Norva, and Guide.

Late in 1959 Guida bought out the Norfolk Recording Studio on Princess Anne Road and staked his goals on the brand new LeGrand record label.

One of his first hires was Gene "Daddy G" Barge to develop a studio band, the Church Street Five. With his studio band in place, he was ready to start recording.

Guida's first 1959 recording project was one that could only be imagined by a madman, Tommy Facenda's "High School U.S.A" -- 28 versions, one national, and each of the others for a different city. (This was a strategy Guida used for other records later....see the LeGrand labelography).

The earliest recording with McClendon *that we know of* was Gary U.S. Bond's "Take Me Back to New Orleans," a 1964 spin-off of Bond's 1960 national hit "New Orleans."

Guida liked McClendon and the Magnificents' work, signing them to a two year deal.

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L-REV Records Labelography

L-REV records lasted about three to four years. The Magnificents and Crystals appear to have been the only recording groups involved with the label.

Guesstimates on the release year of each record are *probably* accurate. The label numbers end with two digits that match the dates we are certain of. The others for which we haven't gotten confirmation seem to follow a numerical sequence reflecting release years except for LR 5273 and LRrecords 40601.

McClendon probably recorded enough songs to fill out an album, he had a collection of tunes on reel-to-reel tape that he never released.

Bob Marshall put out one album -- highly sought after -- and which is a lot of fun. We count ourselves fortunate to have gotten a copy before it started listing for up to \$400-500 each.

In the interest of completeness, I included Marshall and the Crystals' first release in 1962 to round out both group's discographies.

DC 0433	Bob Marshall & Crystals with Jerry Holland & the Cap-Tans on "A B	ig Bite of the Blues"	
	Ain't No Big Thing (instr) / A Big Bite of the Blues	DC 0433	1962
LR-967-S	Bob Marshall & Crystals		
	She Shot A Hole In My Soul / Never Seen A Girl Like You	L-Rev 967 (debut)	1967
LR-968-Y	Bob Marshall & Crystals		
	You Got Me Crying / I'm Going to Pay You Back	L-Rev 968	1968
LR-62068	Charlie McClendon & Magnificents		
	Need Love / Put Me Down Easy	L-Rev 62068	('68 ?)
LR-911168	Bob Marshall & Crystals		
	I've Been Hurt / The Indians	L-Rev 911168	('68?)
LR-5669	Charlie McClendon & Magnificents		
	We're Gonna Hate Ourselves In The Morning / Thing It Is	L-Rev 5669	1969
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	We're Gonna Hate Ourselves In The Morning / Thing It Is	Colossus 101 (debut)	1969
LR-5669 PC	Charlie McClendon & Magnificents		
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JB 3 PC	Charlie McClendon & Magnificents		
	We're Gonna Hate Ourselves In The Morning / Toot Toot Toot (Gan	ip Ganop) Saint Martin R	ec JB 3 1969
LR-22770-G	Bob Marshall & Crystals		
	Gimme Some Lovin' (instr) / Raise Your Hand	L-Rev 22770	('70 ?)
LR-61471-0	Charlie McClendon & Magnificents		
	Over Lovin' You / Track One	L-Rev 61471	('71 ?)
FV 28392	Bob Marshall & Crystals		
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LR-5273	Charlie McClendon & Magnificents f. Peyton		
	Keep On Doin' / Stone Me	L-Rev 5273	('73 ?)
LR 40601	Charlie McClendon & Magnificence (sic)		
	Let Them Talk / What Can You Bring Me	LRrecords 40601	1979
SOG 0001	Charlie McClendon & Sounds of Glory		
	I Don't Know / Still Holding On	Sounds of Glory 0001	Unkn



The world where these entertainers crossed paths was relatively small -- Church Street and Princess Anne Rd intersection above (courtesy of the Virginian-Pilot). In the 40s, 44,000 African Americans spent time with jobs and entertainment in this relatively small area.

Frank Guida bought a rundown record store, renaming it 'Frankie's Birdland, at 817 Church St. in 1953. Guida bought the Norfolk Recording Studio located on Princess Anne Rd in 1959.

Nearby was one of Daddy Grace's 350-temple franchise -- Daddy Grace's House of Prayer -- spread across the U.S. and a musical inspiration to many musicians in Hampton Roads and beyond. ***

Among the many musicians who are part of this story's scope is Bob Marshall, born in Greenwood, SC, 1938. Marshall left town on a football scholarship landing eventually in Norfolk, VA.

Roy Hines, born November 22, 1938 in Effingham, (a small unincorporated community south of Florence and Danwood, SC), and later a lifelong resident of Newport News.

Bill Deal, born July 8, 1944, went on to lead one of the great Virginia Beach music, and rock and roll bands.

These and others will step in and leave the story as befits our spotlight on Charlie McClendon, and giving a greater sense of the musical community he belonged to.

We don't know with certainty the enticement may have been when McClendon moved over to L-REV records in the late 60s/early 70s. He had a recording contract with Guida from 1964-66. Maybe Guida didn't offer a new contract, enough compensation, or maybe McClendon wanted to be the frontman rather than a sidemen on his future recordings.

One of his last, or may be the last, recordings with LeGrand

was backing Lenis Guess on "Just Ask Me" in 1966.

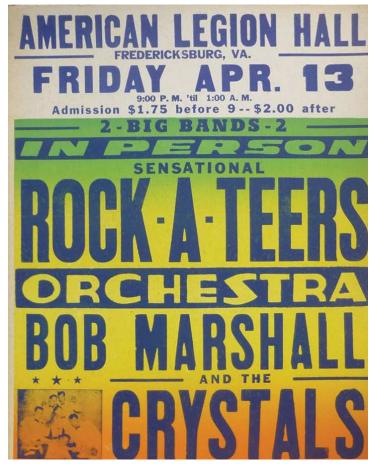
Richard Levin cited his first encounter with McClendon earlier in our story. Tom Herman, who eventually became a co-owner of L-REV records, tells that story differently,

Herman says that when he and Levin were 15 and 16 years old they got together ca 1963 to form the Rebel Booking Agency. So far that's a close match to Levin's story.

According to Levin it was around 1963 that he and Tom, 15 and 16 years old, joined to form the Rebel Booking Agency and were soon booking Norfolk venues like Nansemond Hotel, Ocean View and the Golden Triangle exhibition hall, "We picked up on African-American bands that weren't getting any exposure at non-black venues. In particular we found ourselves booking Charlie McClendon and the Magnificents and Bob Marshall and the Crystals a lot,' he added.

Levin thinks the two bands didn't really know each other, Charlie was based in Norfolk and Bob mainly played the Carolinas at the time.

According to an interview with Herman in the 2000's, "Richard and I had heard Bob was popular at Nags Head Casino and other venues. The band would play both black and white clubs, and their repertoire consisted of a mix of white pop covers and R&B songs."



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"Senorita"



The Carolina Blue Dots'
Powerhouse Release
2021



50 Years Ago Today -- Beach Music Was Dying

1971 Beach Music Top 20

Vks	Rank	Title Artist	BPM (<i>LP or CD</i>)	Year Record Co. & #	:	Title Artist	BPM (LP or CD)	Year Record Co. & #		
	1	Far Away Places	114	1970	11	Flim Flam Man	120	1971		
		Embers		MGM 14167	-244-10	Streisand, Barbra		Columbia 45384		
	2	I Dig Everything About	You/Love's G	Got A Hold On Me	12	Sweet Magic	132	1971		
		Mob, The 120/125	1971	Colossus 130	99	Presidents		Sussex 212		
	3	Can't Find The Time	114	1971	13	Deeper and Deeper	108	1970		
		Rose Colored Glass		Bang 584	1 1	Payne, Freda		Invictus 9080		
	4	Treat Her Like A Lady	/ 134	1971	14	Spanish Harlem	114	1971		
		Cornelius Brothers &	Sister Rosel	United Artists 50721	3934900	Franklin, Aretha		Atlantic 2817		
	5	This Love Is Real	120	1970	15	There It Goes Again	n 120	1970		
		Wilson, Jackie		Brunswick 55443		Barbara & The Unio	ques	Arden 3001		
	6	Stoned Love	114	1970	16	Bring The Boys Hor	ne 126	1971		
		Supremes		Motown 1172	1 1	Payne, Freda		Invictus 9092		
4.5	7	Girls In The City	114	1971	17	Don't You Think It's T	ime/Nobody Lov	es Me Like You Do		
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	8	Tams Medley	126	1971	18	Love Makes the Wo	orld Go Round	108 1971		
		Tams		Capitol 3050		Odds and Ends		Today 1003		
	9	Pay To The Piper	121	1970	19	Tears of a Clown, 7	The 132	1970		
	1 1	Chairmen of the Boar	d	Invictus 9081	1 1	Miracles, Smokey F	Robinson &	Tamla 54199		
	10	Take Me Girl, I'm Read	dy 116	1971	20	Sweetest Thing This	s Side of Heave	n, The 108 1971		
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Two trends contributed to the first chart with less than 40 songs eligible to fill it out.

Trend 1) The country was in a funk, depression, resignation and anger, spilled over from the 6os: Vietnam, Civil Rights, and lots of political unrest from the right and left.

Trend 2) New musical trends were sweeping across the country. What self-respecting band could resist evolving and growing with new trends.

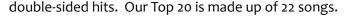
1 for the year was a milestone for the Embers and their fans. "Far Away Places" has become an evergreen hit for them. Altogether 4 of the 20 year-end songs weren't on any national charts, which includes "Far Away Places."

Seven other songs 'bubbled under' the year's Top 20, but there wasn't enough consensus in research in the Mid-Atlantic and Southeast. What we had for a Top 20 of the year was a collection of great music. Two entries, # 2 & # 17, were

"Senorita"



The Carolina Blue Dots'
Perfect follow-up to a 3-Hit
Year in 2020



The National Pop Top 40 year end chart, had "Joy To the World" in the number 1 position. Not because there was an overflow of joy at the time, the U.S. was in pain, and there was more to come with Watergate ahead.

The early 70s has been described, in many magazine articles of that day, as the time of 'Bittersweet Rock.' That would include Rod Stewart, Carole King, James Taylor, Janis Joplin (Me and Bobby McGee), Paul Revere and the Raiders (Indian Reservation), Bread, Neil Diamond, Carpenters, John Denver, and so forth.

There were indications that this was the direction music was adjusting to.

A good friend told me about his experience in the Army. He and his family had been traveling to the beach for summer vacation 1959 forward.

He left for the Army in '68. And couldn't wait to hit the Beach a year later, when he went home on leave.

Straight to Ocean Drive, Main Street, and the Poor House (where Pirate's Cove was for the last several years). As he walked in the front door, a song started playing from the jukebox and everyone in the Poor House reached for someone's hand and they all Shagged to the Zombies "Time of the Season." #36 on 1969's Year End Top 100. Things were changing.

1971's Top 50 Soul Songs of the year count four, maybe

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five, Shaggable tunes. Soul music was becoming less of a resource for new music and talent each year.

Preamble to the Second Golden Era of Beach Music

How slow were the 70s? Consider this, the Catalinas recorded "Summertime's Calling Me" in 1975. It took the rest of the 70s to generate enough momentum for the Catalinas to break out of the national doldrums. Changing a national mood takes time and patience.

There were enough Beach songs for a

1972 Top 20

1973 Top 20

1974 Top 20

1975 Top 20

1976 Top 20

1977 Top 10

1978 Top 13

1979 Top 20

There wasn't a Top 40 for the year again until 1980. Along the way there were some radical adjustments to Beach Music and the Shag community which generated an entirely new growth trajectory -- acceptance of Disco, inclusion of Jump Blues, Crossover Country, and of course the Regional bands were embracing Beach Music with a new fervor for recording and performing.



Bill Lyerly -- bustin' into 2021 with "Juke Joint Jimmy's" on the Beach Music Top 40

Beach Music Top 40 News

-- Fessa' John Hook

The Beach Music Top 40 chart has exploded!

There are 15 new entries on the January 30th chart.

Joe Graziani arrives at 39. Jason Adamo, a Raleigh native, puts his band at # 38.

The Misty Blues with Gina Coleman is a first timer at # 37 and this is a band I expect we'll be hearing much more of -- they already have 11 albums out.

James Carter and the Tuxedo Sleepers are an Old School throwback offering up an Ivory Joe Hunter classic.

Steve Salas has put a Latin tinge on a song you may find hauntingly familiar -- it's the male's point of view on a Patti Drew Beach Music hit - also from the Old School era (not to be confused with the Old, Old School of the 50s and back).

Texas performer LaTasha Lee puts her second song on the Top 40 with this new chart.

"Gonna Stop My Lookin" is a song strong as train smoke by Sylvia Johns Ritchie, while Bill Lyerly is back on the chart again with his latest, "Juke Joint Jimmy's."

Reverend Bubba hits the chart at # 31 with a song that



Diane Shaw - Northern Soul Diva, climbing the Top 40 with "Leave A Little Love"

comes from the very heart of his style and included on his forthcoming CD.

A surprise entry, for Dion as well as everyone else, is "Shu Bop" at # 30. For years Dion and colleagues called it "The Lost Track." It was supposed to be on a 2000 CD, but when they were putting it together, they couldn't find the recording! When they finally found it, they decided to put it on the next two LPs. Surely not just for redemption, Dion probably just liked it a lot!

"Senorita" is a departure from what we heard on the Carolina Blue Dots debut CD last year. Makes one wonder what other surprises they have in store in the coming year.

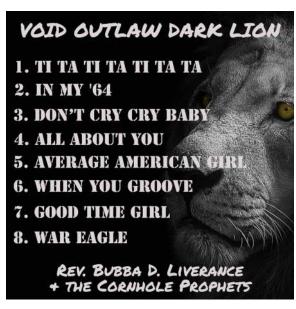
Gary Lowder and Smokin' Hot -- never ones to waste a minute if they can help it -- are, well, not 'back' as much as adding to their stake in the Top 40 with "Let's Go Round."

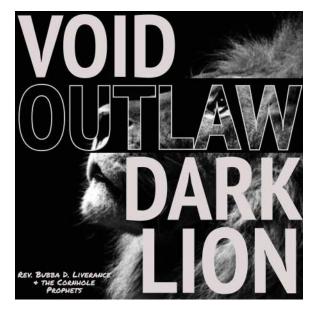
Greensboro's extraordinary Smitty & the Jumpstarters have a fine followup to last year's success with "Hey Ba Ba Re Bop."

Archie Bell, Yes, Archie Bell, debuts at # 26 with dreams of "Ocean Drive."

Oakland, California's Tower of Power, Yes, Tower of Power, have landed with the renaissance of a particularly well-liked Mel and Tim favorite, "Backfield In Motion."

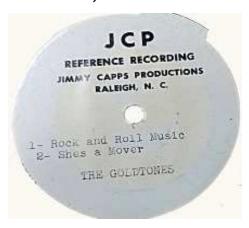
Diane Shaw, who just popped onto the chart 9 weeks ago, is simply awesome with "Leave a Little Love."





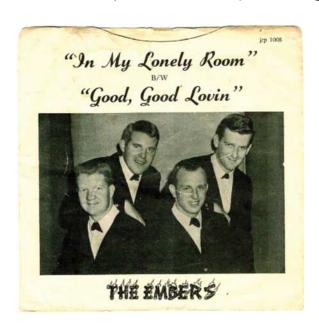
Reverend Bubba D. Liverance and the Cornhole Prophets -- Preparing to storm their way to the top of the charts with "All About You"

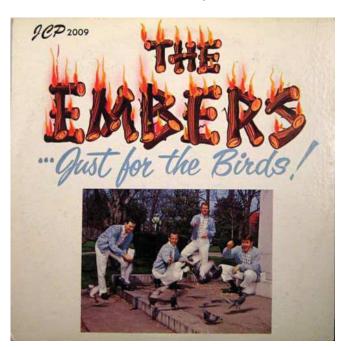
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(Just in case you forgot who else was on JCP)





The Beach Music Top 40

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Bubbling Under Spotlight

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Top Beach Music Ballads

1 WHEN WE ARE
2 YOUR EYES, MY HEART, OUR SOUL
3 MR. DREAM MERCHANT
4 YOU RAISE ME UP
5 ONE DAY I/LL FLY AWAY

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Roadhouse Blues & Boogie Top 40

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Rising Stars

SAY ITLIKE MAGIC SAM
EVERYBODY'S GOTTA GO
DON'TYOU KNOW
CHECKIN' ON MY BABY
WALKING BLUES
LOST ALL I EVER WANTED
ALL ABOUT YOU BABY
NEVER GONNA CRY
SUGAR MAMA
OCTAVATE'N
IS YOU IS OR IS YOU AIN'T MY BABY

YOURBLUES
LOUISE

BARREL HOUSE JOE'S ROLL YOUR COAL DON'T STAY OUT ALL NIGHT YOU'RE NOT IN TEXAS ADLER, JIMMY
ALABAMA LOVESNAKES
ATKINSON, BIG JON
BACKTRACK BLUES BAND
BLACK CAT BONE
ELLIOTT & THE UNTOUCHABLES

FAT DADDY BLUES BAND FISH, SAMANTHA FLAMING MUDCATS HANCK, TERRY BAND HARRIS, PAULA HITMAN BLUES BAND HOWLIN' BLUES BOOGIE BAND

HURRICANERUTH JAMES, CHEYENNE KASHMAR, MITCH LANZA, BOB BLUES BAND RAINING IN PARIS
FINE FURRED MAMA
STOP KNOCKING
IF IT'S NEWS TO YOU
LEAVING HOUSTON
LIFE IS TOO SHORT
CAN'T CALL HER NAME

NEVER MAKE YOUR MOVE TOO SOON

MOVE ON
BIG-BONED BABY
MY BABY LIKES IT
BLOOD RED MOON
COME BACK TO ME
THAT'S HOW I FEEL ABOUT YOU
HIP SHAKE SHUFFLE
BLUES ELIXIR (RONNIE'S HERE)
BLUES BOSS SHUFFLE
SITTIN'HERE THINKIN'
I CAN'T SHAKE THAT GUY

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LUECK, COREY & SMOKE WAGON BLUES BAND LUETJEN, CORY & TRAVELING BLUES BAND

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MAY, MARK BAND W SATYR HORNS

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PUORTO, SHARI ROBB, TERRY

ROGERS, JAMES 'BUDDY'
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STEEL, A.C. & GALVANIZERS
WARD, PETER WRONNIE EARL
WAYNE, KENNY 'BLUES BOSS'

WHEAL, CHARLES WILDE, SUNDAY



And that's not all. I stepped into a "deeep hole" with this issue. The Charlie McClendon and the Magnificents story opened a musical 'Pandora's Box' -- (Pandora as in the Avatar where the Na'vi live -- not the Pandora who released all the misery into the world).

There's been so little written about the Magnificents, and many other Virginia groups, that I didn't expect the deluge that followed (the opening of the 'box'). Although I don't intend to go through every layer of detail, there is SO much to uncover and share that I decided to put in more than I intended. It will make a broad and wide foundation for additional future stories on the Virginia Beach Music scene.

As the headline above trumpets, I'll be supplying patrons like you with a broad overview of the history of the Pad (launched July 4, 1955 as an alternative to Roberts Pavilion across the street which Hurricane Hazel took out in October 1954).

And of course there are the Bonuses that tier 3 patrons get in addition to all I've described.

I love it!

--Fessa' Hook