Chippewa Valley Blues Society Meeting August 12, 2008

The meeting of the Chippewa Valley Blues Society (CVBS) was at Jake's Supper Club in Menomonie on August 12th at 7:00 pm. Introductions were made, and those in attendance included: Dan Michaels, Mike and Debbie Fischer, Steve Stead, Snapshot, Al Albrecht, Sam King and Mary Dettmann.

Items on the agenda:

Blues on the Chippewa: We didn't have an update on the numbers for this event. We made some money selling t-shirts and CD's for the artists that played. We hopefully will have an update at the September meeting. The event seemed to be a great success with everyone that attended impressed with the music and how well run it was. Next year is in the planning, and may be expanded to two days.

Blues Coalition: Ken was not present to update us on the events for the Coalition. It will be held at Owen Park in Eau Claire on September 13th, starting at 11:00 am. It was motioned and seconded to table the discussion until our next meeting in September.

Future Events:

A 1st Anniversary Party of the CV Blues Society will be held at the House of Rock on Water St. in Eau Claire, on November 15th, starting at 4:00 pm. The line up is as follows:

4:00 pm: Sue Orfield Band

6:00 pm: Eau Claire Blues All-Stars

9:00 pm: Deep Water Reunion

The cost will be \$10.00 per person. We hope to record a CD of the event and sell for fundraising. We plan to have a membership table with shirts and hats to sell and will need volunteers to help with the event.

There was discussion about Clear Channel Radio 92.1 cancelling the Sunday Night Blues programming. We suggest writing, emailing or calling the station to voice your support of resuming this important program. The station address is: Attn: Rick Hencley, 619 Cameron St., Eau Claire, WI 54703; phone: 715-830-4000 or email: RickHencley@ClearChannel.com.

Snapshot has been in contact with some other possibilities, but as of now there isn't any blues programming in our area.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 9th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sheeley House in Chippewa Falls. Meeting was adjourned.