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Dan Emmett Music & Arts Festival

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Reserve Seating for Sonny Geraci

MOUNT VERNON –Who can forget the moment the love ballad, “Precious and Few” became something magical? Many listen to this song and reminisce about the love of their youth. Sonny Geraci is the voice that takes us back to memory lane where we can vividly recall a clammy-handed couples skate in middle school, a slow dance at senior prom, or the celebratory first dance at a wedding.

Under the sponsorship of Ariel and First-Knox National Bank, the Dan Emmett Music & Arts Festival will host Sonny Geraci and The Outsiders as their main headline event on Saturday evening, August 15th. A native of Cleveland, Ohio, Sonny Geraci has been in the music business for nearly all his life. He is one of few musicians to have top selling hits with two bands – Climax and The Outsiders.

It was with Climax that the hit “Precious & Few” warmed the hearts of many starring Geraci as the lead vocalist. Other hits for the group such as “Bend Me, Shape Me” and “Rock & Roll Heaven” were also a part of the Climax line-up and were written specifically for Sonny’s smooth voice.

“Time Won’t Let Me”, an overnight hit, boosted Sonny Geraci and The Outsiders to begin touring. Among touring with Chad and Jeremy, Gene Pitney, The McCoys and others, Sonny Geraci and The Outsiders also toured with Paul Revere and the Raiders, a recent headliner for the Dan Emmett Music & Arts Festival. Sonny Geraci and The Outsiders went on to have three more top 40 hits, including “Respectable (What Kind of Girl is This)”, “Girl In Love”, and “Help Me Girl”. Sonny Geraci’s eclectic sound reaches from Crooning to the good old Rock N’ Roll. Once said to be “on his way towards the Frank Sinatra of the 70s”, Geraci will mesmerize you with his incredible vocals and keep you entertained all night long.

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Reserved seating for the Sonny Geraci performance is available. The reserved area is preferred, up close seating, available on a first come first serve basis. The cost will be \$20 per seat. Tickets are available from the Knox County Convention & Visitors Bureau, 107 South Main Street, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050, by phone at (740) 392-3378 or Toll Free at 1-800-837-5282. Advanced purchase is recommended to guarantee seating. Advanced reservations require prepayment. You may also email your request from the Festival website at www.DanEmmettFestival.org.

Highlights of this year's Festival will include performances by a wide variety of musicians and performers including Kokosing River Surf Club, Sweet Adelines, Apple Valley Singers, Carole Dance Studio, and many more, a juried Arts & Crafts Fair, the Homemades & Trades Show, a chance to meet Bob and Larry of Veggie Tales, the Knox Idol competition, a cheer competition, various civil war era re-enactment activities, a flower show, a quilt show, a motorcycle show, the annual antique & classic car show and a wide variety of delicious foods to choose from.

The 2009 Dan Emmett Music & Arts Festival runs August 13th – 16th in Downtown Mount Vernon with various activities each day. For additional information, contact the Festival at (740) 392-FEST (3378) or by email to director@DanEmmettFestival.org. Additional information of the Festival can be found on the web at www.DanEmmettFestival.org.

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