APPEARANCE SCHEDULE

January

4 Saturday Bavarian Bierhaus 700 W. Lexington Blvd. Glendale, WI 5:30-8:30 PM

9 Thursday Old German Beer Hall 1009 N. Old World 3rd St. Milwaukee, WI 7:00-10:00 PM

25 Saturday Bavarian Bierhaus 700 W. Lexington Blvd. Glendale, WI 5:30-8:30 PM

30 Thursday Old German Beer Hall 1009 N. Old World 3rd St. Milwaukee, WI 7:00-10:00 PM

February

7 Friday Old German Beer Hall 1009 N. Old World 3rd St. Milwaukee, WI 7:00-10:00 PM

22 Saturday Bavarian Bierhaus 700 W. Lexington Blvd. Glendale, WI 5:30-8:30 PM

28 Friday Old German Beer Hall 1009 N. Old World 3rd St. Milwaukee, WI 7:00-10:00 PM

March

4 Tuesday National Bakery 3200 S. 16th St. Milwaukee, WI 6:00-11:00 AM

6 Thursday Old German Beer Hall 1009 N. Old World 3rd St. Milwaukee, WI 7:00-10:00 PM

All dates subject to change without notice. Please visit the Schedule page at mikeschneiderband.com for up-to-date information.



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PINT SIZE POLKAS

What a year 2024 was! For Pint Size Polkas, it marked my very first trip to the West Coast. In June, I spent two weeks visiting libraries in Central and Northern California, making Pint Size Polkas a true Coast-to-Coast touring act. I also had the chance to visit some favorite stops in Colorado, Kansas, Minnesota, New Mexico, Wisconsin and Wyoming. In 2025, I'll be back in Iowa after a year off, plus Texas for my first time since 2019. Looking forward to more great travels next year!

THE MIKE SCHNEIDER BAND

Oktoberfests, festivals, the Old German Beer Hall, and even a stop at the huge Christkindlmarkt in Carmel, IN all contributed to another successful year for the Mike Schneider Band. We also helped kick off one of the largest Oktoberfests in the United States in La Crosse back in September for the second straight year, and they've already asked us back for 2025! I have also been invited to be one of the regular performers at Glendale's Bavarian Bierhaus. Plus, if all goes well, you will be able to hear my music in a brand new venue starting in Spring 2025. Suffice to say, this opportunity will be bringing my music to thousands of new listeners each week, and in a format I don't believe has ever been done before in polka music. Stay tuned to www.mikeschneiderband.com for details when the official announcement is made early next year. Exciting news is just around the corner!



MOLLIE B EVENTS

With Ted Lange taking some welldeserved time off, I had the chance to play accordion with Mollie B and Friends as my schedule permitted this past year, including a theater-style production in Reedsburg, and the Helen Oktoberfest in Georgia. Between my commitments with Pint Size Polkas and the Mike Schneider Band, it looks like there may be a couple more opportunities to work with Mollie B in 2025. Stay tuned for details!

PERSONAL YEAR IN **REVIEW**

As if 2024 wasn't exciting enough with all the various performances and developing



opportunities, behind the scenes it was an equally amazing year! In May, my kids competed in a National F.I.R.S.T. Lego League competition in New Jersey and won the 2nd Place Champions Award. My wife Heather coaches the team along with another team parent. They do amazing work! Plus, I mentioned I went to California in June. Well, I had to take my golf clubs, and I just happened to get very lucky and get a tee time at Pebble Beach, which was at the very top of my bucket list. The only thing that could top it would be Augusta, but that's just a little harder (i.e., nearly impossible) to get on. And then to cap off the year and celebrate our anniversary in November, Heather and I went to see what could very well have been Stevie Wonder's last concert in Milwaukee. He's 71 and sings and plays like he's 39. I almost didn't go, but am so glad we did. Another bucket list item for the books!



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