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Beach music book wins

“The Heeey Baby Days of Beach Music — Stories and Remembrances of a Southern Music Genre” by Greg Haynes has added a chapter, as an award winner.

The book, published in 2006 by Rare Reads Publishing, earned the 2007 Independent Publisher Bronze Medal Award for books in popular culture.

Chronicling the history of beach music, the anthology includes about 800 photos and images and 552 pages.

Haynes credited a slew of musicians nationwide who helped him in his five-year project to produce the book.

Independent Publisher is a magazine trade journal covering the field of independent publishing.

“Heeey Baby” costs \$59.95 and is available at Barnes & Noble in Myrtle Beach, Judy’s House of Oldies in North Myrtle Beach and www.heybabydays.com.

— Steve Palisin,
The Sun News



By JOHÁNNA D. WILSON
The Sun News

Todd Sutz is a dusty man. From his sneakers to the top of his scruffy black hair, the fine particles of fiber that fly when he makes surfboards are scattered all over.

Even his wedding band, which was a bright, shiny gold before he began his day, is covered in a white glaze of dust.

The life of a board builder — that’s a surfboard, dude — is a dirty one. However, the deeds of skilled laborers, such as Sutz, result in craftsmanship

worth its weight in grime. Just as a wet piece of clay goes through stages to eventually become a fine vase, surfboards start out boring and end up looking spectacular.

At Island Inspired Inc., owner Sutz and employees take about five to six hours to transform a plain piece of foam into a surfer’s hot ride.

The shop, at 8500 S.C. 544, is where every step of surfboard making takes place in-house, an industry rarity.

A thick glass partition located inside

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Nick Edmiston wraps the edges of a fiberglass sheet around a surfboard he’s making in the shop at Island Inspired.



On the Web
 Go to myrtlebeachonline.com for video of surfboard making.

fickle. Pete Rose was seen last week standing around in Vegas trying to sell his autograph for 20 bucks and there were no takers. Well. It’s not like he’s Sanjaya or anything.

And Howard K. Stern? His current celebrity status rivals that of the guy who used to play the blind girl’s husband on “Little House on the Prairie.” Like I said, fickle.

You can probably see where I’m headed with this.

As a bona fide “Z list” celebrity, I’ll show up at your birthday party, hog killin’, bris, shrimp-a-roo, chicken bog, cockfight or chili cook-off for, well, snacks.

I’ll even sing “Happy Birthday” for a whole lot less than J Lo, although, as a mom, I’m used to singing it twice while washing my hands so I may require a small sink while singing. Oh, and no fruit. I hate that stuff.

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