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From left, Kyle McClan-ahan, Matthew Davidson and Greg Walton make up The Matthew Davidson Band. The band will perform Friday at AlleyFest.

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From Staff Reports

**Name of band:** The Matthew Davidson Band

**Year formed:** 2010

**Genre of music:** Pop/rock and blues/rock

**City of residence:** Shreveport

**Members and place in band:** Matthew Davidson, guitar/vocals; Greg Walton, keyboard/vocals; Kyle McClanahan, drums

**How did the band get together?** Veteran musician Bruce Flett of The Bluebirds helped Matthew start The Matthew Davidson Band in 2010. The current band members met at school.

**Where do you play?** Regionally and locally, festivals, restaurants, private parties.

**What/who are your musical influences?** The Beatles, John Mayer, Stevie Ray Vaughan, Maroon 5.

**How would you describe your musical style?** A mix of pop/rock and blues/rock

**How often do you practice?** The band practices weekly. Matthew practices guitar daily.

**Where do you get your musical inspiration?** Listening and watching my favorite bands.

**What have been some of your band's challenges?** Finding teen-friendly venues and replacing band members as they move away or graduate from high school.

**What are some of your biggest accomplishments/what are you most proud of?** Featured in September 2013 issue of At: Guitar Center magazine, performed at 2012 New Orleans Jazz Fest, 2011 Robert Johnson Foundation New Generation Award Winner, 2011 Kidd Kraddick Rock Camp guitarist.

**What are your goals?** To be a successful touring/recording musician.

**Recordings?** "Step Up" (EP) and "Cross My Heart" (EP), "Heartbreaker" (single)

**Anything else you'd like to mention?** The Matthew Davidson Band will be performing at 4 p.m. Friday at AlleyFest and Sept. 12 at the T-Bone Walker Blues Festival in Longview. The band appreciates the support they have received performing at festivals and venues in East Texas.

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