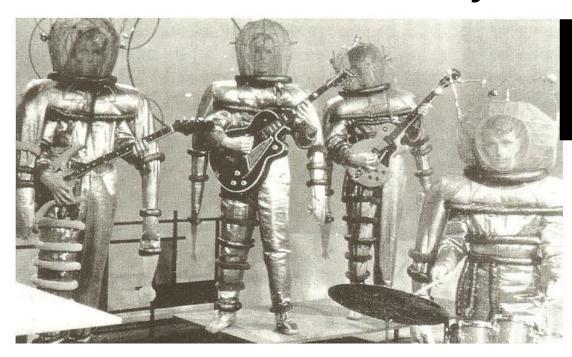
### BIRTHDAY PARTY

at Fritz-Henßler-Haus!!!

# SPOTRICKS

celebrate their 50th Anniversary in Dortmund



DIZZY FINGERS Special!!!

### 12th January 2008

Concert starts: 8 p.m. Doors open: 12 o'clock (noon-time)

**PROGRAM** in the foyer and in the cafe: \_ - Info & sales stands -

Dia-Slide-Show "50 years SPOTNICKS" – Rare SPOTNICKS-Video-Clips.

From 2 p.m. on 'live'-music with following bands: "Two Generations" –

"Tommy & the Blue Boys" – "Just For Fun" – "Timeless" –

"The UB-Hank-Band" and more.

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**In the cafe, from noon time on:** Snacks – Coffee & Cakes – Drinks.

Entree: (advanced booking) 25,00 €//(Box office) 27,00 €(www.fhh.de)

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#### The SPOTNICKS IN DORMUND (a few short facts and info)

From 1973 to 2005, the SPOTNICKS played Dortmund thirty-one times:

- Eleven times between 1974 and 1984, at the famous BONANZA-discotheque in Dortmund-Nette. These were legendary concerts and very often the discotheque was overcrowded.
- Twelve times between 1994 and 1998 at THEATERKLAUSE pub in the inner city of Dortmund (ten times as PAPA'O and two times as SPOTNICKS).
- Three times between 2001 and 2005 at FRITZ-HENSSLER-HAUS, also inner city .of Dortmund.
- Two times, 1973 and 1980, at the famous Dortmund WESTFALENHALLE, where, on 3rd March 1973, the SPOTNICKS received Radio Luxembourg's Bronze Lion Award for their successful song IF YOU COULD READ MY MIND.

We think that, with the exception of their home town Gothenburg, there is no other town worldwide where the **SPOTNICKS** performed as often as in **Dortmund.** 

The SPOTNICKS' gigs in DORTMUND became a tradition. This tradition will continue at FRITZ-HENSSLER-HAUS: On Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2008, with their 32<sup>nd</sup> concert in town And a big birthday party for their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

#### The first 50 years of THE SPOTNICKS

In 1957 the U.S.S.R. shot the very first satellite into space: Its name: **SPUTNIK I**.

Also in 1957 in Gothenburg, Sweden, four music-crazy youngsters met each other for the first time and formed a rock and roll band. Their names: **BO WINBERG, BOB LANDER, BJOERN THELIN** and **OVE JOHANSSON**. Around 1958 they called themselves **THE SPOTNICKS**.

The start of SPUTNIK 1 resulted in a technological revolution worldwide. In the musical field THE **SPOTNICKS**, together with <u>THE SHADOWS</u> (in England) and the American <u>VENTURES</u>, invented the instrumental rock and roll guitar sound. These bands made history as they created the so called TWANG-sound. Countless guitarist such as Eric Clapton, Brian May, Pete Townsend, Gary Moore, Ritchie Blackmore, Eddie van Halen and Mark Knopfler, to name but a few, still call these bands their greatest influence for their own playing

In the sixties the SPOTNICKS toured all around the world and released countless LPs. Their hits HAVA NAGILA, AMAPOLA, MOONSHOT, ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIAL, HAPPY GUITAR JOHNNY GUITAR became evergreen. In 1972 they got a big hit in Germany with IF YOU COULD READ MY MIND. THE SPOTNICKS continued worldwide touring and releasing records in the seventies and eighties. In 1992 the SPOTNICKS' leader BO WINBERG took a five years break from heavy touring but his band continued under the name PAPA'O. In 1997 Winberg returned to the band. There were several personal changes in the band's line-up since 1957 but the original founding members BO WINBERG and BOB LANDER are still on board today (the third founding member, drummer OVE JOHANNSON, today runs their fan club).