Duprees / Sumter, South Carolina		Band Directories Copyright 2005		
Brief Description	Seven students at Edmunds High School with exceptional talent formed the band in 1961, and soon they were in demand throughout South Carolina. Originally called The Nomads, the name was changed in 1962. With strong lead vocals and back up harmonies, they covered the Top Forty hits of the day with a strong preference for R&B. After graduation several members of the band continued on with other bands such as Second Nature who is featured on the soundtrack to The Heeey Baby Days of Beach Music.			
Year Established	1961-1962			
Favorite Venues	Private parties, Proms, Friday night dances after HS football games throughout SC, and The Myrtle Beach Pavilion (later known as The Magic Attic).			
Music Genre/Recordings	R&B			
Performer	Now Resides	Instrument	Years In The Band	Notes
Martin, Hank	Nashville, TN	Vocals	1961-1962	Imperial Show Band (Miss)
James, Tommie	Camden, SC	Piano, Vocals	1961-1962	Footnotes(C), Caravelles, Footnotes (S), Persians, Second Nature
Stafford, Charles	Lexington, SC	Guitar	1961-1962	Villagers, Persians, Billy Stewart Band, Footnotes, GA Prophets, Second Nature, Mama's Home Cookin'
Camden, Sam	Crystal Lake III	Guitar	1961-1962	Travelers
Arledge, Buzz	Nashville, TN	Vocals	1961-1962	Imperial Show Band (Miss)
Blume, Willis	Orangeburg, SC	Drums	1961-1962	Persians, Shagtime
High, Harry	Asheville, NC	Vocals	1961-1962	
Turner, Ronnie		Bass	1962-1962	Military Personnel-fill in; Johnny Tillotson Band