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MAILBAG



Hello,

My name is Kate, a friend of mine gave me one of your Monthly magazines for April. I wanted to know how or where I can get another one??? I would like to have a new one for every month.

By reading the Sound Waves... the 12 of us went out last Friday night to Stash's Cafe to see Wicked Peach... we had a ball!!! Tonight we are going to Christopher's in Groton to see Fat Betty.... It would be great to plan out our Friday nights by knowing where the hot spots are.

Can I be added to a mailing list and have it sent to me??? Is there somewhere in the Norwich area that they are so I can pick one up??

Thanks,
Kate

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BAR FLY JOURNALS

By Stephanie Shawn

It's Saturday Night and Spring is in the air. The weather has been gorgeous and it's a perfect night to begin my journalistic bar fly wanderings.

I began my evening at about 9 o'clock in mid April, at CC OBRIENS in Pawcatuck. I was so excited to be going out with my future sidekick, who shall remain nameless at this time, for reasons we will soon see. Nameless and I arrived separately. At the door we met up with Texas Todd, one of CC's bartenders and Mark Dullea, lead singer of the band we were there to see, Fat Betty.

As we came in, I saw an old friend of mine, Andy McG. He was looking very nice. The place was not as busy as I had thought it would be, but that soon changed. Our first drink was made" especially "for us by Todd. Two lovely Stoli, 7's, splash of cran. It really hit the spot. We sat on the upper level at CC's, the better to view the going on's with the band. We then ordered an appetizer from our friendly waitress Dawn. Having eaten at CC's before, I knew anything we ordered would be good.

Our nachos arrived and let me tell you, I must say, very nice presentation. A large, round plate with tortilla chips, refried beans, lettuce, tomatoes, and lots and lots of cheese. A slathering of jalapenos had me salivating, as I scooped out some sour cream and salsa to pile on top. MMMmmmmmm.....I was already in heaven!

Meanwhile.....back at the band, our sexy lead singer was warming up, along with his brother Rob. Check, Check... check 1 check 1, 2..... really gets you going. I LOVE that sound! Mark has a cool voice, and I was excited to hear what this band could do.

At this point my possible, future sidekick deserted me to meet a man.....Ugh, not nice. Kinda an unwritten girl rule here.. Don't leave your friend, who you're supposed to hang out with to meet a man. Big girlie no-no. So there I sat, all alone waiting for the band to start. I know, I know, I'm getting old, but a 10:15 start really kicks my ass.

Fat Betty's drummer, Mike Beebe and lead guitarist, Ben Escobedo joined Mark and Rob up on stage and they were ready to jam. Mark did a fantastic job with Chris Isaaks "wanna fall in love" and Pearl Jam's "black".

They played rock and roll and they really rocked. Jimi Hendricks and Nickelback sounded awesome being covered by these four guys. They definitely had a kickin'sound that night and I should have been enjoying myself, especially since I had the manager from CC O'BRIEN'S, Gary, doing his best to keep me entertained, along with the Shane, part-time Ginger's worker and CC's bouncer.

At this point the band was rockin' and the crowd was arriving in small groups. We started to draw in a good crowd. I gotta tell you some of the girls in there were smokin'hot and the guys (Dan) were pretty freakin' hot too. Fashion Tip: Short skirts and low cut tops are definitely in this spring.

I have to be honest, after being dumped by the old nameless sidekick, I was more than a little annoyed. I couldn't give Fat Betty the attention they deserved. I must say

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though, while I was there, they did a fantastic job and everyone in the place, honestly seemed to be really into the band and rockin' with them. Who knows maybe next month someone will dance with me?

Fat Betty plays locally and will be playing at Stash's on May 3rd. They're definitely a band you want to see! You can find their schedule, along with many other area bands in Sound Waves Magazine every month. Get out and enjoy the local color...there's alot going on in our area, but ya gotta get off your ass and get out there. Until next month....if there is anything you need to tell me barfly2u2@yahoo.com . Hope to hear from you soon!



Mark Dullea - lead singer of Fat Betty & The Roaming Bar Fly

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"Mourn The Phantom"

By Mark T. Gould

For the more than 30 years that I have listened to his spell-binding music, Bruce Springsteen has never ceased to move me, emotionally. And now, sadly, a major reason for that emotion has left his music.

"Phantom" Danny Federici, whose majestic keyboard playing graced Springsteen's magnificent E Street Band for over 30 years of marathon concerts and classic records, passed away as the result of melanoma last month, at the far too young age of 58.

Such was Federici's gift to Springsteen's music that his considerable contributions affected my emotions far before I even knew who he was, or even what he was playing on those keyboards.

I remember it was back in late '73, during my freshman year in college. Someone came up with a copy of Springsteen's second album, "The Wild, The Innocent & The E Street Shuffle." And, while everyone went musically gaga, and rightly so, over the epic "Rosalita," I was drawn to the song-stories of "4th of July Asbury Park (Sandy)" and "Kitty's Back," both of which featured the haunting accordion and keyboard work of Federici that I found equal parts mystifying and mesmerizing. His work literally cinched the atmosphere and emotion of Springsteen's tales of the Jersey shore life.

After the righteous hype following the release of the titan-ic "Born to Run" album I noticed Federici's contributions even more, although at the time, I still didn't know it was him, and how or what he was doing to add such flourishes to Springsteen's music. The beauty and the grace of his work were simply there, for the listening and the feeling, which, to me, is the essence of musical genius.

Even now, all these years and listenings later, I still may not describe it properly. As it has been reported since his passing, Federici played something called an "electronic glockenspiel," which I take to mean getting a glockenspiel sound from his myriad keyboards. Whatever it was, and however it was played, Federici managed to produce such a moving sound that it was a crucial staple of Springsteen's music, propelling it to the next level. Add that to his organ and accordion playing, and he created such a special and unique musical presentation.

That's what struck me most about Federici's contributions to Springsteen and the E Street's sound, predominantly on classic albums like "The River," and "Born In The USA," and what, as a fan, hurts me the most over his passing.

Put all together over the years, and it sounded equal parts like the Asbury boardwalk of Federici and Springsteen's youth, coupled with Phil Spector's "wall of sound," all tossed into the best of bar band rhythm and blues.

Simply, "Phantom Dan" made E Street the ultimate destination for finding a very special kind of music.

Federici was born in Flemington, N.J., and first met Springsteen at Jersey shore bars and clubs in the late 1960s. The pair often jammed at the Upstage Club in Asbury Park, N.J., a now-defunct, after-hours club that hosted the best musicians in the state. It was Federici, along with original E Street Band drummer Vini Lopez, who first invited Springsteen to join their band after seeing him perform at the Upstage.

By 1969, Federici, who was often introduced in concert by Springsteen as "Phantom Dan" after the keyboardist allegedly evaded a police crackdown after an on stage incident, was playing with Springsteen in a band called Child. Over the years, Federici joined his friend in acclaimed shore bands Steel Mill, Dr. Zoom and the Sonic Boom and the Bruce Springsteen Band, before becoming one of the original members of the incredible E Street Band.

Yet, in a powerhouse band full of bigger than life musicians and characters like Springsteen, saxophonist Clarence "Big Man" Clemons and guitarists 'Little Steven' Van Zandt and Nils Lofgren, Federici's musical contributions, at least to me, were the most significant of all.

I was fortunate enough to see Federici on his last leg with the band at the XL Center in Hartford last fall. As luck would have it, I had a seat just above and to the right of his keyboards. From there, I was able to watch him work his illustrious magic (no pun intended, Bruce fans).

When Springsteen returned to Hartford last February, Federici was on leave from the band and Charlie Gior-

dano was behind the keys. Don't get me wrong. Giordano is a fine player, but it is impossible to replace "Phantom Dan."

Springsteen and E Street Band fans will miss him, forever.

Thank you, Danny. Take your bows. The aurora's risin' behind you.

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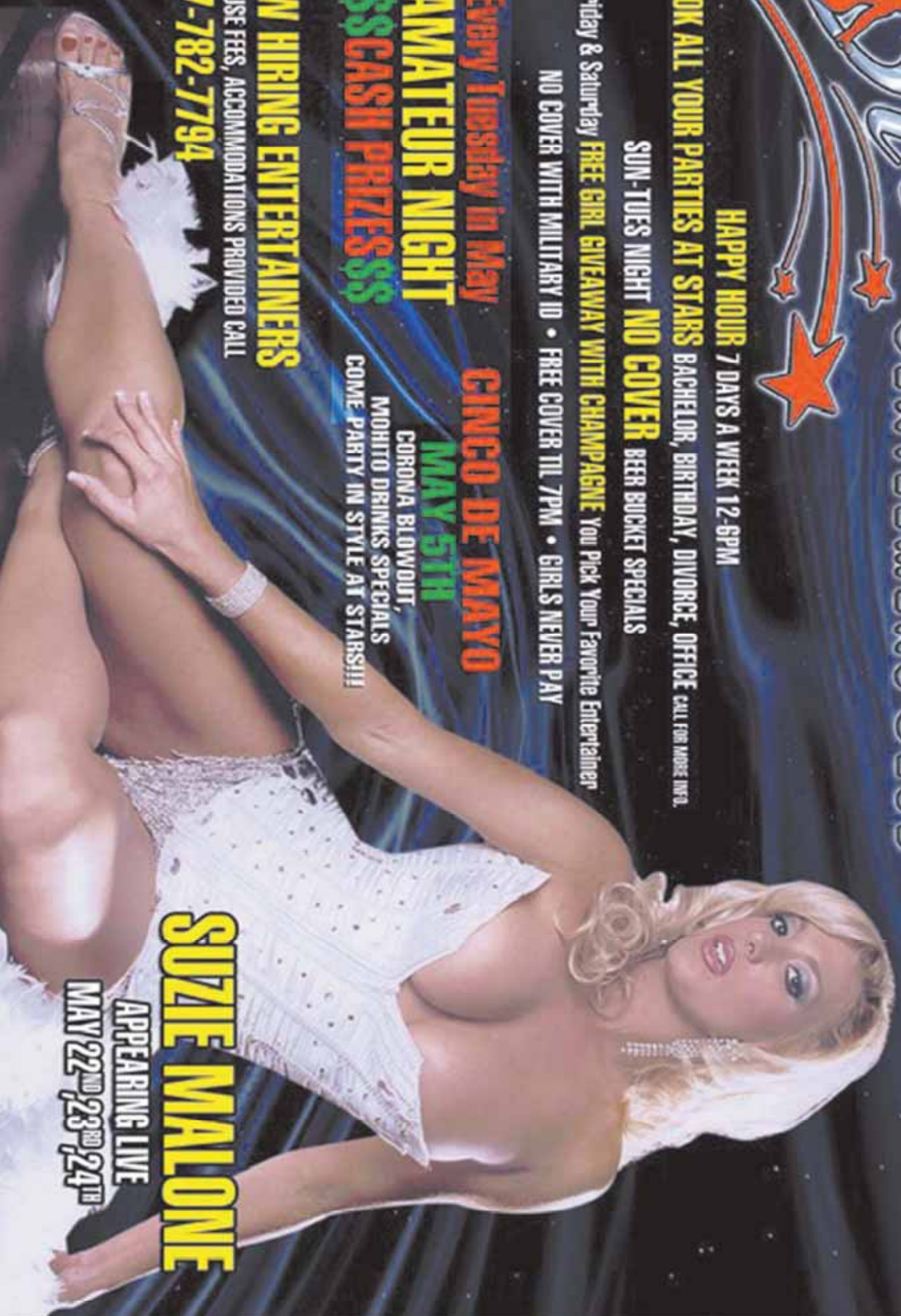
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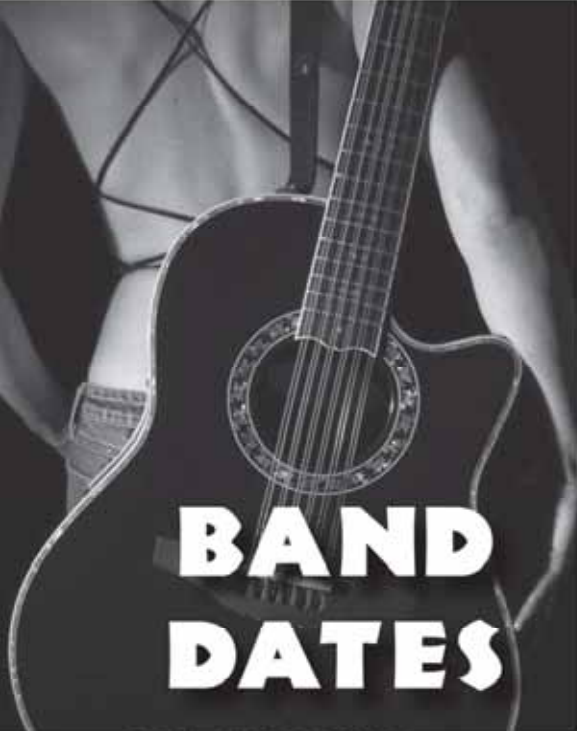
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GLORIA ESTEFAN

By Rex Rutkoski

Others debate if it is a burden, Gloria Estefan, though, does not shy from the role model status that many have assigned her.

The entertainer, who inaugurates the new MGM Grand Theater at Foxwoods over Memorial Day weekend, May 23-25, knows that she is viewed as a person whom Hispanics, women and others hold in especially high regard, and she insists she does not feel weighted down in being accorded such respect.

The way she sees it, it comes with the territory. "When you're a public person, you are considered a role model in a lot of ways," she acknowledges. "If it's something parents want kids to look up to or be, or even if they don't, it happens to be that way because kids who are fans are very impressionable. They feel if someone is famous they have done something they might want to do.

"I feel honored the Hispanics look at me as a role model. It is important to me. I do consider them in a lot of things I do in my life. I try to do the best I can and erase stereotypes."

As a strong woman, a proud Cuban American, a record-setting artist whose music has touched the world, as a selfless humanitarian, Gloria Estefan's best is awfully good.

"She has not just performed for America, but she has served America," said Dr. Pedro Jose Greer Jr., physician-founder of homeless clinics in Florida, when he presented Estefan and her husband-producer Emilio Estefan with the Hispanic Heritage Award in 1993 for excellence in the arts.

After South Florida was devastated by Hurricane Andrew, the Estefans arranged an all-star benefit concert which resulted in raising about \$3 million for relief and re-building efforts.

The Estefans have been described as two extraordinary people whose love for life is so well reflected in their music.

Gloria once personally distributed tents to the homeless living under Miami's bridges and she and Emilio staged a private concert just for them.

They not only display their Hispanic heritage, Greer said, but they also build upon it. They received the Heritage Award, said Greer, "not for the obvious, not what the world knows, but more importantly for a tradition and

heritage that the world should follow, for they are that example of love, of life and of joy."

Gloria says that she feels fortunate to be able to enjoy and receive a kind of love that she calls "cross-cultural," which comes from a united Hispanic community. "I feel the love of all Hispanics," she says.

Little wonder. It is said her passion for children and their plight has earned her a reputation as "Miami's Mother Teresa." She is a driving force for those in need.

Former President George Bush appointed her a public member of the U.S. delegation to the 47th General Assembly of the United Nations.

She has been recognized by the United Way's Alexis De Tocqueville Society for "outstanding philanthropy," and has been named "humanitarian of the year" by the B'nai B'rith Performing Arts unit.

In addition, she performed a benefit concert with the New World Symphony which raised significant donations for various organizations.

In May of 1993, she was presented with the Ellis Island Congressional Medal of honor. The readers of VISTA magazine named her "Hispanic Woman of the Year."

One senses that while she is grateful for the recognition, she accepts it, not for herself, but as a symbolic way to send the message we all can do more for one another, that we all can and should believe in our own abilities, that we all should be proud of our heritage.

Estefan expressed hope that her 1993 "Mi Tierra" album, her Spanish-language solo debut, helps educate young

Cubans about their musical heritage. "Emilio and I dedicated this record to our parents, because they really kept the culture alive for us and for (others), so that (they) know a bit more about our musical roots," says Estefan.

She is quick to point out, too, that the album's title song, "Mi Tierra," which means "my homeland," could apply to an immigrant from any country.

Estefan came to the U.S. with her family before the age of 2. Her father had been a motorcycle escort to the wife of former President Fulgencio Batista. Her dad joined the Bay of Pigs invasion force and was captured and imprisoned in Cuba for more than two years. He later joined the U.S. Army and became a captain before going to Vietnam.

Estefan senses that freedom sometimes is taken for granted in the U.S.

"Sometimes when you have had something for a long time and never lost it, you take it for granted," she says. "It's easy for people to complain. But I've been everywhere and there's more freedom here than anywhere else, whether it's economic freedom or the ability to go out and



make of yourself whatever you want. In the democratic process you can say whatever you want. Any system has its down side, but ultimately there are so many good things. I wish everybody would feel proud."

She and Emilio can feel proud of their efforts.

"I feel fortunate I'm able to make a living at what I love the most," says Gloria. "Music has always been a solace to me and a wonderful escape from troubles, and also a beautiful way to fill my life and touch the lives of others, because music truly did a lot for me."

"Hopefully in some ways my music will inspire people – inspire goodness and positive feelings."

If her children are inspired by her, Estefan says she hopes it is "to be giving and respect other human beings and be a happy human being. We are taught so many things, but we're not taught how to deal with ourselves, how to enjoy things and move ahead."

Estefan, who has sold 70 million records, recorded 24 albums and received the music industry's highest honor (a Grammy) five times, has enjoyed a most fruitful career that is still very much ongoing. She currently is working on a script based on the life and career of a '60s pop icon, and she has written two children's books that were on the best-seller list of the New York Times.

She considers her latest CD, "90 Millas," produced by her husband, historically significant in many ways, including the fact that it is the first time, and probably the last, that all the legendary artists that are guests will play together on an album. Joining Estefan are Carlos Santana; the legendary Johnny Pacheco (referred to by many as "salsa's godfather"); trumpet virtuoso Alfredo "Chocolate" Armenteros; conga diva Sheila E; actor and musician Andy Garcia; and Cachao, considered the creator of the mambo.

The CD's title "90 Millas" (90 Miles) references her roots 90 miles away from Miami in Cuba.

It is a collection of 14 original songs in Spanish paying tribute to the roots of Cuban music, while simultaneously injecting a modern sensibility to the traditional rhythms. It also pays homage to the world's most influential and respected Latino musicians of the past 50 years.

Regardless of her repertoire, she expresses hope that people take a very positive feeling from her music. "I hope it makes them feel good, expresses feelings they have for another human being," she explains. "Music is a wonderful way to feel emotions, remember memories, to tie down memories in a physical way. I know it works that way for me. It just takes me back sometimes (to another time in her life). I hope in some way my music does this for people, makes them feel good or cry and lets some things out, just touches people."

"...Our main concern (in concert) is enjoying it, letting people see how much we enjoy what we are doing and ultimately they can join right in. We want them to take a feeling of who we are as people, and that we're not just standing there and performing."

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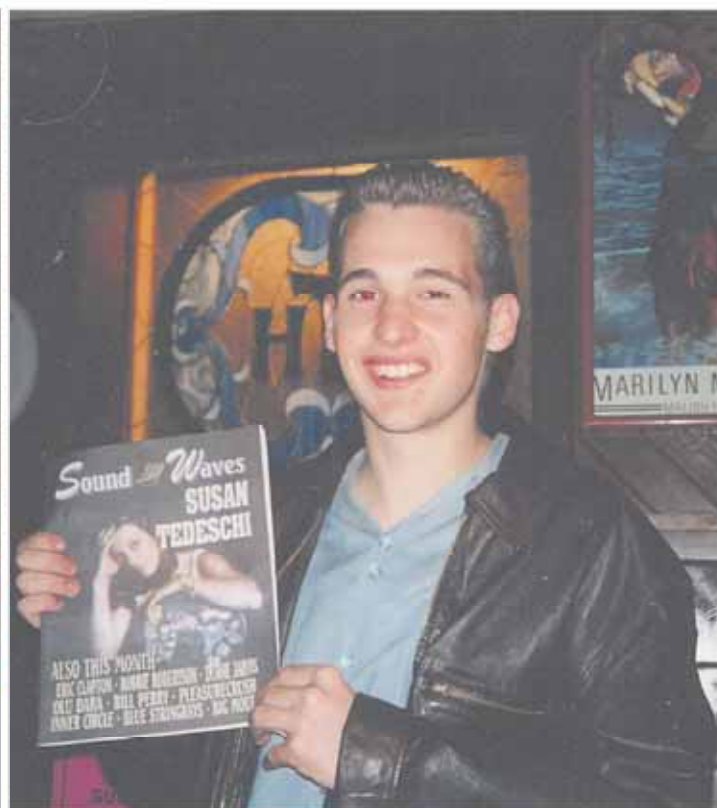
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Ronnie Earl is one of those very unique guitar talents that possess the ability to intertwine the roots of jazz and blues and deliver each note with a signature stamp that reveals the undeniable heart and soul of the performer. The Massachusetts based Earl and his band The Broadcasters latest effort, "Hope Radio", successfully captures that heart and soul, their personal message of the blues. Recorded in front of a live audience in the studio, "Hope Radio" features the classy and creative chops that Earl and his bandmates have become known for. The disc features eleven all instrumental tracks, diverse in offering sprinkled with jazzy progressions, Latin rhythms, and pure blues riffs played with all the fire and intensity that is pure Ronnie Earl at his soulful best.

"Eddie's Gospel Groove", which opens the disc, is Santana-esque in presentation and bleeds of Earl's trademark note bends and distinctive Stratocaster style. The jump blues of "Bobby's Bop" soon follow before Earl and company slow things down a bit. "Kay My Dear" and "Beautiful Child" are two prime examples, featuring Earl's signature phrasings and sincerity in every note. "Blues for Otis Rush" is a fitting tribute to the blues legend, offering the complete catalog of riffs presented in authentic fashion. Bandmates Dave Limina (Piano, B-3), Jim Mouradian (Bass), Michael Ward (Bass, Piano), and Lorne Entress (Drums) support

Earl in admiral fashion throughout.

Guitar players at the Ronnie Earl level are few and far between. "Hope Radio" clearly exemplifies the soul and depth that Ronnie Earl is known and admired for.

**** 1/2 - Don Sikorski

GIRL IN A COMA

*"Both Before I am
Gone"*

"Both Before I'm Gone", by all girl band Girl in a Coma is one of the best new albums of 2007. The trio signed with Black Heart Records early last year, has a truly unique sound that is unlike any other artist. Hard bluesy rhythmic sounds and extreme rock melodies are very potent.

The lyrics and music can be categorized as a punk sound, but also adds a few distinct flavors to its versatility. This album can in a way be compared to Gun's and Roses "Appetite for Destruction" in the sense that it unifies many other unknown genera's to create a sound that is more accessible to the general public ear.

The uniqueness of the band can't be categorized into words; they are very well adapted and can do no wrong with what they have. This album can allow you to rock out, calm your fears, wonder about lost love, and zap you into a fantasy world. In comparison there are two bands that had this same invincible music effect "Queen," and "Pink Floyd."

Lead singer/guitarist Nina Diaz has a Johnny Cash, Freddy Mercury tone to her Lyrics, which both as a singer and as a allow her to performer blossom on this

album.

"I watched in astonishment when saw them perform a while back, that these girls are going to be the next big thing" said Multi Platinum artist Leslie Knauer.

Girl in a Coma are the new answer for what the Donnas left behind. They are three times as talented and have a guitar slinging old west grit about them. "Clumsy Sky" won an award at the 7th Annual Independent Music Awards. For more information go to <http://www.blackheart.com/artists/girl-in-a-coma/news.shtml>

**** - Chris Annino

MONSTER MIKE WELCH

"Just Like It Is"

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Although the name, penned by Dan Aykroyd years ago, was first brought to the forefront marketed as a teen guitar prodigy, "Monster" Mike Welch has aged like a fine wine. And from the sound of things, having fifteen years of musical experience under your belt yet being only 28 years young is a pretty good gig.

Mike Welch has continued to develop and expand his musical chops since his debut CD "These Blues Are Mine" hit the streets now many years ago. Sharing the stage with blues legends James Cotton and Junior Wells and touring the world has provided Welch with a ton of experience, and "Just Like It Is", his most recent recording effort, presents that experience musically. Welch and his bandmates offer 13 new tracks rich in rhythm and soul and diverse in musical styling, from the swing and swagger of "Keep On Walking" to the haunting "A Perfect World". Supported by the rock-solid rhythm section of Anthony Geraci (piano), Mark Teixeira (drums), and Brad Hallen (bass), Welch and company have clearly found their niche, offering a healthy dose of New England rhythm and blues. Welch's intense guitar playing, which offers hints of Freddie King, Otis Rush, and Buddy Guy, is the highlight, especially evident on the jazzy opener "She Makes Time" and the blues shuffle of "I'm Not A Stupid Man".

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If you're a fan, as I am, of the early days of country rock, that is, Poco, the Eagles, and Jackson Browne, from the halcyon days in the 'Hotel California' of early to mid Seventies L.A., you will absolutely love Scott Dale's "Tiny Diamonds."

A native of Oklahoma City, who is now based in Boulder, Colorado, Dale combines great songwriting and guitar playing with a dual combination of hard, yet easy, edges that combine to create a warm, confident, yet carefree, style that any fan of that genre will enjoy.

Dale's a bit of a gambler, too, judging by his bold and intelligent choice of covers on this record, where he mixes among great originals like the title

track, "Daddy Let Go," and "Let Me Be The Rain," original interpretations of the Beatles' "While My Guitar Gently Weeps" and "With A Little Help From My Friends," doing a great job with classics that wouldn't song anywhere nearly as good in lesser hands.

It's also testimony to Dale's talent that he's got some great players on this release, including the always amazing Rusty Young, co-founder of Poco, who contributes tasty pedal steel guitar and mandolin to a few of the tracks.

It can be argued that this type of music went out of the mainstream a bit over the years, but it is refreshing for it, and for us listeners and fans, when it's still played as well as it is by Scott Dale.

***** - Mark T. Gould

Bobby Whitlock & CoCo Carmel

"Lovers"

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If you thought Bobby Whitlock had soul in the halcyon days of the megaclassic album "Layla," when he played

the "yin" to Eric Clapton and Duane Allman's twin guitar "yang" to complete their music's essence and depth, just listen to this terrific new release, and it's vitally obvious that the multi-talented songwriter, player and performer is just as strong and essential, vocally and musically, as he's ever been.

Ironically, just as he was in those early days, Whitlock's got his own similarly talented, secret weapon, just as he was for "Slowhand" and "Skydog," and, judging by the sound of "Lovers," it remains crucial to his latest sound. That's the voice, arrangements and playing (sax, bass and flutes) of the amazing Coco Carmel, who, like on the duo's last release, "Other Assorted Love Songs," provides the perfect addition to the mix. In their much more than capable hands, this makes "Lovers" an exquisite duet, recalling so many of the classic sounds that are so sadly gone missing in today's contemporary music.

Roaring out of the gate like a latter day Delaney & Bonnie (with whom Whitlock also played), sprinkled with a dash of Ike & Tina, the soulful and soul-laden Whitlock and Carmel have constructed another gem of a record, perhaps even more rocky and rootsier than "Assorted Love Songs," which was great on its own.

Here, just listen to the title track, "Dice of God," "Power of Love," "You Don't Know," and just about all the others to hear a hint of the best of American soul music, with more than a dash of the great rock 'n' roll spirit and voice that Whitlock brought as the absolute cutting edge of the ill-fated Derek & The Dominos, all augmented by Carmel's steady and skillful flourishes to the mix. The album even concludes with a great nod to the past, with a slowed down, soulful duet remake of "Layla," similar to some of the reworked classics the duo put into their last release.

Add to that a stellar musical cast, that, in addition to the multi-faceted Carmel, includes guitarists Stephen Bruton, Eric Johnson and David Grissom, along with a guest turn on two tracks by the likewise incomparable Willie Nelson, and, man, does this record literally drip with talent.

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- Organic Spinach and Arugula Salad**
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- Grilled Atlantic Salmon**
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- Grilled Stonington Sea Scallops**
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- Cavatappi with Seafood**
 - shrimp, scallops, julienne vegetables, garlic, parmesan, cream \$18.95
- Rigatoni with Braised Chicken**
 - chicken sausage, roasted tomatoes, black pepper \$16.95
- Orrecchiette with Shrimp**
 - baby spinach, tomatoes, white wine, garlic, fresh herbs \$16.95
- Linguine with Littleneck Clams**
 - fresh corn, Portuguese linguisa, garlic, white wine, basil \$16.95

Meat

- Pan Roast Chicken**
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- Blackened New York Strip**
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- Grilled Pork chop**
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SALADS

Guytanno's Salad Mesclun greens, pears, sun-dried cranberries pistachios, plum tomatoes, crumbled gorgonzola cheese with raspberry grapeseed vinaigrette	7.95
Grilled Asian Marinated Duck Salad Baby spinach, spiced pecans, bean sprouts, dressed with spicy chili soy vinaigrette	9.95
Classic Caesar Salad Anchovy balsamic Dijon vinaigrette, garlic herb crouton, Pecorino romano	7.95
Appetizer portion	5.95
Add Chicken	3.25
Add Grilled Cajun Shrimp	each 2.50
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Crab Stuffed Sea Scallops with Gruyere cheese & sherry butter sauce	17.95
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Fettucini with Chicken with almonds, broccoli, Alfredo sauce	12.95
Sauteed Grilled Chicken & Prosciutto with baby portobello mushrooms, pine nuts, plum tomatoes fresh rosemary, & marsala demi glaze cream over penne pasta	15.95
Linguini Aglio Olio sauteed with garlic, crushed red pepper, extra virgin olive oil & Pecorino Romano cheese	9.95
Add Chicken	13.25
Add Shrimp	each 2.50
Add Sautéed Calamari	14.95
Baked Filet of Sole stuffed with shrimp, spinach, julienne vegetables & citrus buerre blanc	16.95
Sauteed Lobster Plum tomatoes, scallions, white wine, Tomalley basil butter sauce over fettucine	19.95
Seafood Pasta Jumbo shrimp, scallops, calamari, with baby spinach, fresh tarragon, tomato parmesan cream sauce, or Guytanno's red sauce, over Tagliatella pasta	18.95
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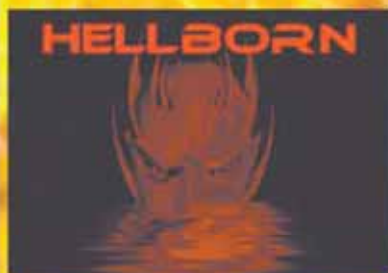
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