

Entertainment

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Back in town

Debut album makes things happen for Flash Kahan

After two months on the road performing in concert, local rock band Flash Kahan returns home this weekend, to play Saturday night at Harpo's in Detroit.

The band has been getting good radio airplay with its debut single "One at a Time," as well as excellent coverage on music video programs across the country.

Its debut album is a slick rock package that includes some tasty and listenable cuts, including "One at a Time" and a version of the old Fats Domino hit "I'm Walkin'." The album is selling well, which means the band isn't going to be at home long.

"Everybody in the band is from the Detroit area," says Susan Murphy, publicist for Flash Kahan. Murphy handles promotions for the Birmingham-based Punch Enterprises, the company that manages Bob Seger and Flash Kahan.

Heading back on the road soon to open shows for Joan Jett, Flash Kahan band members include guitar player and co-leader Bruce Flash, who was raised in Allen Park and now lives in Waterford; songwriter, guitarist and bassist Doug Kahan, a resident of Troy; "Franz Baron" DeRaad and Matt DeRaad, who both also live in Troy, and saxophone player Tomo Thomas, who grew up in Livonia and now has a home in Mt. Clemens.

Murphy has been watching the band develop over the last three months, ever since Capitol Records released its album ("Flash Kahan") in March. She is very pleased with the group. "They've really grown," she says enthusiastically, "and they've found their niche in the business. They were all born to be on stage."



on music
James Windell

IF YOU LIKE to live in the past when it comes to music, maybe even fondly remember big band nights at the Walled Lake Casino and Edgewater Park, then Dearborn nightclub Angie's has something for you.

It's the New York, New York Orchestra, produced by Southfield resident George Young and conducted by Dan Burger. The band plays the best big band charts it can find.

"I wanted a band that would play tunes you hardly ever hear anymore," says Young, a Southfield resident and former musician and bandleader. "I thought a lot of people weren't interested in the heavy brass sound of a big band but wanted music that was pleasant so they could dance to it."

The response to this format reminiscent of CKLW radio's successful "Music of Your Life" shows that Young is right.

The 14-piece band starts playing at 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at Angie's at Michigan and Telegraph.

IT'S A WARM spring, and what better to do on great evenings than listen to music?

As always, the festivals and music series begin in earnest as May closes. The New Center Swings extensive music series opens up with flutist Alexander Zonjic on Thursday, May 30, and presents a summer full of free concerts at lunchtime and after work.

Other groups scheduled this summer outdoors in Detroit's New Center Park include Norma Jean Bell and her All-Stars, Orhela Barnes and the P-Jazz Band, the Sun Messengers, Ursula Walker, Loving Cup and Larry Nozaro.

The park is across the street from the General Motors Building on Second Avenue.

The sixth annual Motor City Bluegrass Festival takes place Saturday, June 1, at the Meadow Brook Music Festival site in Rochester. Among performers in the festival that starts at noon will be guitar and fiddle champion Mark O'Connor, the Balducci Mountain Ramblers and Roy McGinnis and the Sunnysiders.

A sure sign of summer is the P-Jazz festival on the terrace of Detroit's Pontchartrain Hotel. Its 14th season of jazz begins Wednesday, June 5, when Flora Purim and Alirio Moreira take to the outdoor stage that overlooks the Detroit River.

Among the local acts are Norma Jean Bell, Doug Jacobs and the Red

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Vocalist Ursula Walker and the Buddy Budson Trio, with Budson on keyboard and Dan Kellon on bass, entertained at a recent afternoon press conference announcing this season's P-Jazz

lineup. The trio will be among musical groups performing at the outdoor concert series at Detroit's Hotel Pontchartrain.

Boblo boat cruise benefits Focus:HOPE

Focus: Hope's fourth annual moonlight cruise on Boblo's S.S. Columbia will be held from 8-11 p.m. Tuesday, June 11. Boarding is at 7:15 p.m., with

an 8 p.m. departure, from the downtown dock on the Detroit River.

At the upper deck Folk Cafe, there will be songs by Ron Oden, Ursula

Walker and Buddy Budson, Stewart Mitchell, and Pat's People.

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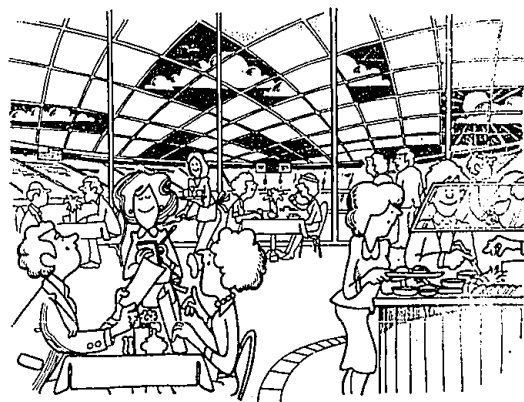
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