

Rocking and Writing: Scenes from a memory

Perhaps my favorite album of all time is “Metropolis Pt. 2: Scenes from a Memory” by Dream Theater, released in 1999.

On Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001, the progressive rock/metal band released “Live Scenes from New York,” featuring songs from the 1999 album they performed in New York City on Aug. 30, 2000.

The original cover depicted a Big Apple wrapped in barbed wire below the New York City skyline, including the Twin Towers, in flames. It was immediately co-

incidentally controversial for obvious reasons.



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The shocking visual ultimately led to a recall as a scramble ensued to pull CDs from the shelves. The band replaced the album with a modified cover with its logo — what they call its Majesty symbol — instead of the fiery skyline. The concept album — again, which came out in 1999 — and the live NYC

album contains song titles that poignantly fit the tragedy that rocked our country, such as “Fatal Tragedy,” “One Last Time” and “Beyond This Life.”

Even some of the words of “Fatal Tragedy” — “this fatal tragedy was talked about for years” — rang true in a different way than ever intended.

While these songs obviously had nothing to do with actual events that occurred on 9/11/01, the live album instantly became entangled in controversy, and the original cover is a rare find these days.

According to some

quick online research, copies featuring that original cover are worth anywhere between \$40 (opened) and \$400 (unopened).

Where can you check out local live music this weekend?

• Kentucky Bluebird Grill & Pub: Redefyned, Friday, 8-11:30 p.m.

• Kentucky Bluebird Grill & Pub: Dwain Messer Band, Saturday, 7-10 p.m.

• Jerk Riley’s Irish Pub, Ashland: Louie McNeal, Friday, 9 p.m. to midnight

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• Frankie’s Plaza, Morehead: The Levee Band, Saturday, 9 p.m. to midnight

• Patties and Pints, Ironton: Aces and Eights, today, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

• Sawstone River Room, Ashland: DeBraun Thomas, Friday, 7-9 p.m.

• Ashland Moose Lodge: Hillbilly Shakers, Saturday, 6-10 p.m.

• Murphy’s Pub, Ironton: Legacy Southern Rock Duo, Friday, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

• 2 Cousins Grill and Bar, Greenup: Huck Brown, Saturday, 8-11 p.m.

• Shorty’s, Ironton: Chasing Yesterday, Friday, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

• Shorty’s, Ironton: Wheelhouse, Saturday, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Check out Kel’s Tavern (Ashland), Guitar Bar (Ashland), Wings Etc., Jerk’s-Pullman Square and other local venues to see other scheduled shows.

Please let us know who’s playing where each week by emailing me (email address below). We love to highlight the local talent in our area.

Rock on, readers.

Reach AARON SNYDER at asnyder@dailyindependent.com or (606) 326-2664.

Sexagenarian ‘problem child’ disrupts family harmony

Dear Abby: I have a younger brother who has moved back to the area where the rest of our siblings live. He went for 30 years without keeping in close contact with anyone during that time. He’s the youngest of 10 children, and our mother spoiled him rotten. He’s in his 60s now and still acts like an immature



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spoiled child. Our father had to bail him out of financial situations more times than I can count. Despite that, he hated our father and announced it when he came home for Dad’s funeral.

The problem we’re having now is that he constantly tries to stir up problems between the rest of us. Until he returned, we were a close-knit family. None of my other family members want anything to do with him, and they refuse invitations to get together if he will be there.

Abby, I love my brother, but I’m tired of his behavior. He had a drug problem when he lived out of state. He claims he’s clean now, but he has now replaced the drugs with

alcohol. How can I get my family back without him if he isn’t willing to admit he is the problem? - Sibling Situation in Wisconsin

Dear Sibling: Stop inviting your brother to these gatherings. The sooner you do, the sooner he will learn the consequences of trying to stir up trouble among the siblings. Unless there are consequences for his behavior, it won’t stop. His behavior isn’t unusual for an addict. By that, I mean it is common for an addict to replace his drug addiction with another one and even more common to deny having a problem.

There’s a program that was created decades ago called Al-Anon. Al-Anon (al-anon.org) is an offshoot of Alcoholics Anonymous, created for anyone who is affected by a loved one’s drinking. It holds meetings everywhere, and you should have no trouble locating one near you. Attend some of those meetings, which are free of charge. When you do, you will meet others with problems similar to the one you are having.

Dear Abby:: I have been planning a dream trip to Europe with some family members. The people I’m traveling with are young and like to

take selfies everywhere, which takes a lot of time. I don’t care about doing that type of thing. They are “girly girls,” and I am plain. I never know what to do while they are doing these things. They love hair and makeup and take up valuable time with these activities. I don’t begrudge them this, but do you have any advice on what to say or do while I wait around? - Fretting this trip

Dear Freeting: When people take selfies as they travel, part of the fun is capturing themselves against picturesque landscapes, famous landmarks or works of art. If you don’t want to be in the photos, keeping a visual record of your journey can still be fulfilling. Develop your photo or video skills by focusing on the scenery the girls are using as backdrops. If you are artistically inclined, a sketchbook may be more your speed. If images aren’t your thing, bring a travel journal in which you can jot down your impressions and favorite aspects of the places you visit.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren. For nearly four decades, Jeanne Phillips penned this column, which was founded in 1956 by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 270135, Kansas City, MO 64127.

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• The JSF Bookstore is open to walk-in customers Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm. In-store shopping at other times is available by appointment; call 606-326-1667 or e-mail jsf@jsfbooks.com to make an appointment. Curb-side pick-up is available from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Monday – Friday.

• The Regional Readers book discussion group meets Tuesday, September 29 in the Jesse Stuart Room; coffee and conversation at 2:00 pm and the book discussion at 2:30 pm. The September selection is “I am a Soldier, Too: The Jessica Lynch Story” by Rick Bragg. The book group is open to all and new members are always welcome.

• Jesse Stuart Weekend will be Friday – Saturday, September 25 – 26 at Greenbo Lake State Resort Park. To make room reservations, contact the Jesse Stuart Lodge at GLSRP at 606-473-7324. For more information, contact the JSF at 606-326-1667, e-mail jsf@jsfbooks.com, or visit www.jsfbooks.com.

• The Jesse Stuart Foundation is located at 4440 13th Street in Ashland. For more information, call 606-326-1667, e-mail jsf@jsfbooks.com, visit www.jsfbooks.com.

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