

"I don't know...ask Sharon."

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izon Wireless Amphitheater in Maryland Heights, for an upcoming hi-def. "I'm so excited about this thing," says frontman **Michael**. "We said, 'Let's shoot it as fun and in a way that's exciting. Involve the audience. We want a sweaty, face rock 'n' roll party.'"

... **Quiet Riot** drummer **Banali** assembled a group of musicians for *65—The Tribute To Led Zeppelin*, which came out on September 18 from RSM Records under the moniker **Banali & Friends**. The CD features covers of Zeppelin songs like "Cashmere," "Ramble On" and "When the Levee Breaks" produced by Banali and featuring artists like **Don Dokken**, **DuBrow**, **Jeff Scott Cooney** and **Robin McCauley**. Other guitarists like **Gilby Clarke**, **Reb Beach**, **Bill Dwyer** and **Doug Aldrich**... **Ratt** bassist **Juan Rodriguez** has formed a new

three-piece outfit with guitarist **Carlos Cavazo** (ex-**Quiet Riot**) and drummer **John Medina**... **Rage Against the Machine**, **Smashing Pumpkins**, the **Black Crowes**, **Fall Out Boy**, **Coheed & Cambria** and many more acts will perform at this year's **Voodoo Music Experience** October 26-28 at New Orleans' City Park. All of the details can be found online at voodoomusicfest.com... The **Halloween** festival and extravaganza dubbed **Vegoose** will take place at Las Vegas' Sam Boyd Stadium October 27-28. **Rage Against the Machine**, **Queens Of The Stone Age**, **Iggy & The Stooges**, **Mastodon**, **Public Enemy** and many other artists are slated to perform at the two-day event, which will also feature interactive attractions, art installations and elements of the Vegas entertainment and performance community. Check out vegoose.com for more information.

John Bettencourt and drummer **Kevin Figg** have left **Mill's Satellite Party**. Six-stringer **Nick Perri (Silvertide)** and **Jordan Plosky** have been playing with the group... **Dying Fetus** has parted ways with drummer **John**, replacing him with **Trey Williams**. "Trey gave us a lot of new energy," says the band. "We have seen firsthand that professionalism and dedication we would expect."



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Testament: Old, grumpy, and ready to rock.

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"Dude! I haven't seen you since the *Gilmore Girls* wrap party!"

Thrash legends **Testament**—original members **Chuck Billy** (vocals), **Eric Peterson** (guitar), **Alex Skolnick** (guitar), **Greg Christian** (bass) and new drummer **Nick Barker (Dimmu Borgir/Cradle Of Filth)**—recently signed with **Nuclear Blast**. "We are very happy that we are signed to one of the best metal labels in the world," says Billy. "It's a great feeling [to be] in a house that will not crumble." Adds Peterson: "This is going to be our best record to date, and it will be the essence of what Testament is." No word yet as to when fans can expect the record to drop... **Sebastian Bach's** long-awaited album *Angel Down* is set to come out before year's end on a yet-to-be-named label owned by Bach, in conjunction with **Merovingian Music, Ltd.**, which is owned by **Caroline/EMI Music Group**. "Sebastian has proven himself to be a

true multimedia star of music, stage and television," states **MRV CEO Jack Ponti**. "He has delivered a record of incredible depth and intensity that displays his growth as an artist. We look forward with eager anticipation to this journey together and are honored to be a part of it."... **California** deathcore band **Elysia** has inked a deal with **Ferret Music**. The average age of band members **Zak Vargas** (vocals), **Mark Underwood** (guitar), **Danny Lemonsqueeze** (guitar), **Steven Sessler** (drums) and **Jeremy Chavez** (bass) is a mere 18. **Elysia**, who will hit the recording studio in December, is shooting for an early 2008 release for their debut... **Italian** horror-themed deathcore act **Stigma** has landed at **Pivotal Rockordings**. The group is currently recording their debut, *When Midnight Strikes*, which is set for an early 2008 release.



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