

Lincoln boasts unusual talent tonight

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Asleep at the Wheel, at the Zoo Bar tonight at 9 p.m.

Band Preview

Pat Travers, at the Royal Grove, tonight at 9 p.m.
In Austin, Texas, Bob Wills is still

the king. Waylon Jennings told us all that a while back and since 1970 Asleep at the Wheel has been out to prove that Wills is King everywhere.

Asleep at the Wheel are the most visionary and competent band in the regal bloodline of country swing as it was handed down by its patriarch, Bob Wills.

Through 11 albums, including the Grammy award-winning "Served Live," Asleep at the Wheel has resuscitated

classics ("Will the Circle be Unbroken"), penned classics ("The Last meal," "Miles and Miles of Texas") and lived up admirably to an honorable tradition.

If you can shuffle and swing like a pro, tonight at the Zoo Bar is your big night out. If you prefer slam dancing you might want to take a look at this anyway, just so you know where rock 'n' roll came from.

However, you just can't fight off the

rock 'n' roll bug tonight, or if you just plain break into hives at the sight of a cowboy hat or a steel guitar, Pat Travers, the Canadian guitar virtuoso will be playing The Royal Grove at the same time.

In 1976, Travers toured out of Toronto with a sound that blends elements of both Jeff Beck and Eric Clapton technically, with a more conventional straight ahead rock 'n' roll formula in the songwriting.

Travers' newest album, "Hot shot" (produced by Styx's knob twirler, Barry Mraz) finds him teamed with ace session men Jerry Riggs (guitar) and Pat Marchina (drums). This current tour band is, according to Travers, his "tightest band ever."

Although tonight isn't traditionally a party night, there just may be too much going on out there for anyone to sit at home contemplating TV's John and Yoko story.



Asleep at the Wheel

Courtesy Variety Artists



Travers

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"Slash has a hard time deciding if they're lackeys of Warner Brothers or the great righteous independent record label. We didn't want to get caught in the middle," Kinman said, with just a

slight edge to his voice. He immediately returns to his "tension-to-the-wind" mode to encourage the next question.

Kinman said he's ecstatic about the response the band's been getting, especially the crowd's reaction to new guitarist Jeff Ross.

"Does he ever play guitar! In Salt Lake City the crowd went wild. On the new album, when we find a label we like that is, there'll be 500 percent more guitar and it'll be 1,000 percent rougher than the other albums. We'll try to capture the gnarly live sound more accurately," Kinman said.

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