



An adventure, and Motorpsychos have had their share of them on the road, from minor run-ins with the law ("Amy got pulled over within the first 5 minutes of entering NYC!") to the time Buddy Greene was locked **INSIDE** the Broadzilla RV and they had to rescue him by climbing through a window because Broadzilla was onstage. But any time you can alter real estate values, you know you had a real impact. "We were in Chicago with **4 Barrel Ghost**. We stayed with **Destroy Everything** in a nice, quiet suburban neighborhood. We were hanging out drinking some beers with all of our equipment on the front lawn, getting ready to load up. Across the street, an agent was showing a house to a nice, white, well-dressed couple with a baby. What a sight it must have been for them: almost 20 black clad, blue-haired, mohawk-sporting, loud, drunk, jingly-chained freaks, with loud equipment sprawled everywhere! I'm sure the couple passed on that property. I wonder if it ever sold!"

And they are no strangers to change, welcoming new guitarist/vocalist Abby Krizner into the band in November of 2003. With the new lineup, were they looking to break new ground? "Absolutely. The extra vocalist is new ground for all of us. There are more back-up vocals and harmonies now. We didn't want to change too much, but now some people say we sound even more metal. We wanted to come back more dynamic than before and were looking to sound better than we did with our original singer. Based on the reactions we've had, we pulled it off."

When not on the road, they are busy in the studio, recording their newest release, *Pistonwhipped*, at Soundscape Studios. Engineered and mixed by Kevin Facer, this album has a cleaner sound than their debut. They feel that they learned from their first recording and put that experience into *Pistonwhipped*. The new album required a more subtle approach than their first. "We had to pay more attention to detail and there was more of a team effort during recording. It was a new experience with all three of the girls taking on vocals where as before, it was just instrumental responsibility and minor backups. This CD is a bit more diverse and multi-faceted than the first one because our individual

The Steel City has bred a plethora of top-notch punk and rock bands over the past two decades and bands like **MOTORPSYCHOS** continue to build upon and refine that tradition. There's something about chicks, bikes and rock & roll. It's leather and lace, tough and sexy and uniquely American. It's something the Motorpsychos know well. Veterans of many performances, both on the road and here in Pittsburgh, they are a working band in the true sense of the term. Their music and hard work

continues to win the praises of publications on all levels, from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette to national magazine, **ROCKRGRL**, and international publications, **Metal Maidens** and **Metal Maniacs**. Working around the country from Chicago & Detroit to NYC, they really do get around, playing New York's **CBGB's** on October 22nd and opening for the legendary Misfits at the Machine Shop in Flint, Michigan. They have also shred it on countless beer-soaked stages with like-minded aggressors such as **BROADZILLA**, **BOTTOM**, **HONKEY**, **MODEY LEMON**, **TWO MAN ADVANTAGE**, **HARLOW**, **LO PRO** and **BITCHCAT**, to name a few. Here at home, the band exercises their self-described "iron clad work ethic" on the stage and in open competition. Winners of the 2004 Rolling Rock Hard & Heavy Rock Challenge (held at Nick's Fat City), they bested nineteen other contenders and earned the respect of the Pittsburgh music community in a serious way.



At the legendary CBGBs in New York City

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personalities really stand out." They also worked harder to avoid mistakes. "We were sure to proofread everything four times so as to avoid any typo's!"

A sampling of the new release showed that the bands' "heavy wall of sound" approach is well represented by tunes like "Primer" which showed how far the band has come. Faster & tighter, they pack a metal crunch that rivals or even exceeds anything on their first release. Another song that really stood out was "Fries" the amusing and radio friendly story of a loser who "couldn't even do drive thru."

Pistonwhipped's Release is scheduled for January 29th at the 31st Street Pub, with Evil Machine, a brand new band made up of members of Penance, Delian League, and Bottomfeeder. Abby feels that Evil Machine is the band to keep an eye on. "These guys are definitely up and coming!" Motorpsychos are supportive of the local scene. Says Abby: "There are awesome people in



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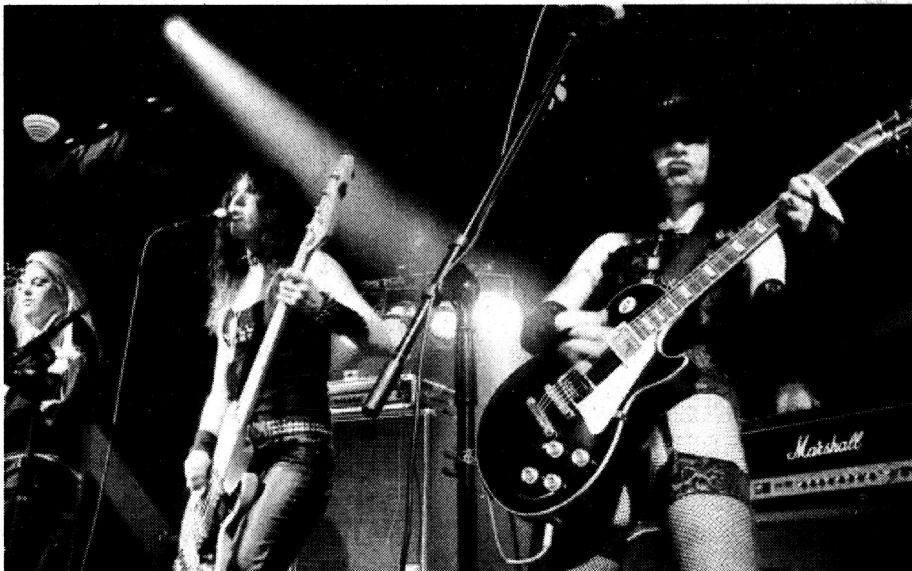
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awesome bands living next door to you!"

When you can't get out to a show, you can hear the 'Psychos on local radio shows such as the 102.5 WDVE Homegrown Show, the 105.9 WDX Edge of the X Show, 88.3 WRCT Carnegie Mellon University and 91.7 WWVU West Virginia University. The band also gets TV coverage, appearing on "Buck the System," a cable television show which features an interview with bass player Amy Bianco as well as Rock Challenge performance footage of the band. The show airs each Thursday night in July at 11:00pm on Channel 21 PCTV, and can only be seen on Pittsburgh cable.

2004 was a busy year for the 'Psychos, and 2005 looks like it will be even more so. In addition to the new release, they have a full local tour schedule, with stops at 31st Street Pub, The Hard Rock Café, Annabell's of Akron, OH, The Smiling Moose, Excuses, and Gooskis.



It looks like a good bet that the rest of the year will be as busy.

They love the local scene, and hope you will come out to see them, as well as any other bands. And they hope to here from you. "We're having a lot of fun and we greatly appreciate of all the positive feedback! It makes us play harder. Thanks and keep supporting all local music! See you at the pub on the 29th!

You won't be disappointed!"

The Motorpsychos are:

Abby Krizner - guitar, vocals
(October 2003)

Pam Simmons - guitar, vocals

Amy Bianco - bass, vocals

Dennis Brown - drums

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