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It's the return of

ENTERTAINMENT MEAT

FROZEN GHOST



By Nadine Murray

Frozen Ghost is a Canadian band comprised of lyricist, Arnold Lanni, and bassist, Wolf Hassel. Arnold and Wolf were previously band-mates in a group called Sheriff which dissolved in 1986 after Arnold's departure. Arnold and Wolf reformed a band and released their first self-titled album in 1987 on the WEA Canada label, and, consequently, picked up a Juno

for being the most-promising group that year.

They are currently touring North America to promote their newest album "A Nice Place to Visit." In an interview with Wolf Hassel, he explained the title as "just sort of a kind of playful idea." Imagine, if you will, the creators of the universe "... probably up, wherever they sort of hand out, kind of laughing at us, maybe going, 'Look at this, I give these people paradise; look what they do to it'."

Frozen Ghost is not a sex, drugs and rock and roll band. The lyrics on "A Nice Place to Visit" are quite spiritual and almost verge on the religious. There seems to be a central thread running through most of the songs that may be construed as religious. Frozen Ghost uses such words as paradise, salvation, damnation, bibles, sin, miracle, sanctuary, devil, heaven, hell and contritition.

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Basic English



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The guitar edged band that is BASIC ENGLISH consists of Tim Armour (lead vocals, guitar, harmonica), John Davis (guitar, vocals), Roger Whyte (drums), and Sean Ryan (bass, vocals).

BASIC ENGLISH originally hails from Halifax, and has been together under different amalgamations for ten years. Tim, John, and Roger moved from Halifax, and hooked up with Sean (via London, Ontario) about two years ago to form the current line up.

The 60's influences of icons Bob Dylan and Leonard Cohen can be found in the songwriting nucleus of Tim Armour and John Davis form BASIC ENGLISH'S rock roots sound reminiscent of R.E.M. and the Georgia Satellites. BASIC ENGLISH has been described as a "cross between Bob Dylan, Leonard Cohen, and early Rolling Stones".

During the last year this sound has enabled the band to accomplish some impressive feats. BASIC ENGLISH were chosen among 750 entrants as finalists in the 1987 Q-107 HomeGrown contest and then went on to win the contest. In addition, the band was the homegrown prizes, BASIC ENGLISH recorded their first single and filmed their first video for the song "Images Of Love", now being aired on radio and shown on Much Music.

Recently, BASIC ENGLISH has been added to The Artist Consulting Team (Blue Rodeo) for management and Trick Or Treat Entertainment Booking Agency for live engagements. BASIC ENGLISH will be touring across Canada for the remainder of 1988 and will be heading into the recording studio in late '88/early '89.