

NEW MUSIC THURSDAY ARCHIVE FOR 1/10/08:

- Soil – Let Go **** (Album: True Self)
Review: This is one of those bands that have been getting a lot of play on satellite radio and now it's time to move on up the east side (Well, the U-P side that is...). Soil carries a nice slow hard rock sound to it and it makes "Let Go" one of their sweetest singles to this day I think. Expect a lot more from these guys in the future.

- Within Temptation – What Have You Done ***1/2 (Album: The Heart of Everything)
Review: Within Temptation...a Dutch rock band that has risen themselves on up to the states. You know what makes this band original??? Male-Female vocal combos...just like Skillet, Flyleaf and other Female-Males vocal bands, it carries a kick-ass sound and for them being Dutch...Dutch bands rock my socks. Period.

- Apocalyptica ft. Corey Taylor of Stone Sour – I'm Not Jesus **** (Album: Worlds Collide)
Review: Here's another band that is from another country...Germany. Apocalyptica has a sweet sound to it...and for this single to add on Corey Taylor, it makes it a hell of a lot better. If I had to bank my money on this band...I would say that come June, Apocalyptica will be the new "Jump on the bandwagon" rock band to listen to...and this coming from a person who hates bandwagoners...trust me.

- Course of Nature – Anger Cage **1/2 (Album: Damaged)
Review: I'll be honest with you...when I debuted this song...I really liked the sound of CoN. But when you listen to it over and over again...it kinda dies on you and you realize "...*doesn't this band sound like someone else?*"... "Anger Cage" is a good single for CoN to debut themselves...but I hope in the future we'll hear something a little better. Cross your fingers.

- Luna Halo – Untouchable *** (Album: Luna Halo)
Review: One of those new bands that have a unique name to themselves. For some reason, I feel like these guys are the Von Bondies on drugs...wait...don't the Von Bondies do drugs...??? They use the filter voice for their some of their breaks and when it comes to the chorus...it's

a poppy type jumpy rock. Well...do we want poppy or poopy rock??? I would rather have neither...but you never know...

- Monty Are I – Between The Sheets **** (Album: Wall of People)
Review: One reason why I love this band...sweet band name...and that's something now-a-days...you NEED a sweet and unique band names to get you going. "Between The Sheets" really kicks MAI into gear and makes them sound like a softer A-7-X...and that's the best way I can explain it. If you don't believe me...buy their album.

- Scary Kids Scaring Kids – Faces ****1/2 (Album: The City Sleeps in Flames)
Review: Do you love A-7-X and Shadows Fall? Then you'll love these guys...they have the guitar riffs like early A-7-X on their first album...and the guy ALMOST has the voice of the lead singer from S.F. And how you can you NOT love their band name as well...Scary Kids Scaring Kids...I just wanna see them in concert so I can say that I saw Scary Kids Scaring Kids and then people would look at me funny...wait, don't they already??? ☺ Anyways...check out this single and their new album...you won't be disappointed.

- So They Say – Wake Me Up **** (Album: Life in Surveillance)
Review: For some reason, these guys kind of have the sound of Hawthorne Heights and Story of the Year put together...just not as Emo. With their debut album "Life in Surveillance" in stores...So They Say carries a very unique rock/alternative type motive to their music. I feel like that if you need something to listen to while something is wrong in your life...this is the song to listen to that it'll make you feel better and want you to rock out harder then ever before.

- Alter Bridge – Watch Over You ***1/2 (Album: Blackbird)
Review: Same old Alter Bridge...start some of your songs out slow...hit the climax and BAM! IT'S ON!!! I'll be honest with you...I love Alter Bridge over Creed (Screw you Scott Stapp!) and this song "Watch Over You" is one of those "Make me feel better" songs. The boys start off slow, and when the break hits...then rock out like never before...and their new album kicks ass by the way. Did I mention they kick-ass live in concert? I didn't? Now I did...☺

- Theory of a Deadman – So Happy ****1/2 (Album: Scars & Souvenirs)

Review: Wha...What??? Theory of a Deadman came back??? YEAH!!! Now, I know I have seen these guys live in concert twice already...but I was STOKED when I saw these guys came out with a new single AND they're coming out with a new album as well. "So Happy" has the same T.O.A.D sound to their other songs...but it has nice pizzazz to it since it is the new year. I seriously can't wait until their new album hits stores! Remember...the spring of '08...look for "Scars & Souvenirs".

- Dragonforce – Through The Fire and Flame ****1/2 (Album: Inhuman Rampage)

Review: Dragonforce...a British HARD rock band...debuts itself as a KICK-ASS hard rock band. They have the sound of Killswitch Engage – Lamb of God and Celtic Frost put together... (Isn't that hardcore???) "Through The Fire and Flame" has fast pace guitar riffs and it's one of those "If it's too loud, you're too old" songs. You can tell they're trying to be like Metallica and Tool with the duration of their music...their shortest songs are at about 7 minutes.

- Saving Abel – Addicted ***** (Album: Saving Abel)

Review: If you think Hinder was HUGE in 2007...make sure you watch for Saving Abel in 2008!!! They have that same exact sound as Hinder...but I think a little more hardcore. "Addicted" debuts itself as the song of the week for me...with Saving Abel coming out with their self-titled album later on this year...look for them to TEAR-UP the rock charts in 2008. And if I am wrong about this...well, then I suck, right?