



The Bluegrass Blabber

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South Carolina Broadcasters, *Home to Stay*.

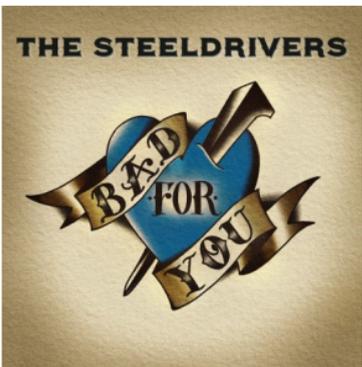


Unabashedly a “hillbilly band,” the three guys and one gal who make up this group are hard-core when it comes to down home, old time music. The even dozen songs on this CD are endlessly fun to listen to. David Sheppard (guitar, vocals), Jackson Cunningham (mandolin, guitar, vocals), Stu Geisbert (bass), and

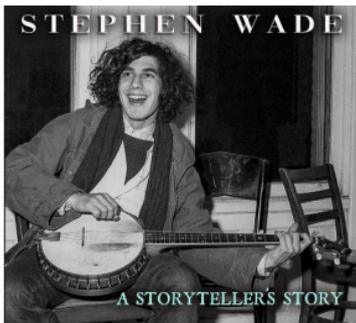
Ivy Sheppard (fiddle, banjo, vocals) are joined on the title track by Donnie Scott (Dobro). Eleven straight-ahead songs here, including a bit of gospel and Don Stover's classic “Things In Life,” in “I'm S-A-V-E-D” you get hilarity, too. This here is a good'n. Get you one! (pxrec.com)

The SteelDrivers, *Bad For You*.

This is one of the most impressive bluegrass bands performing today, and their new album is



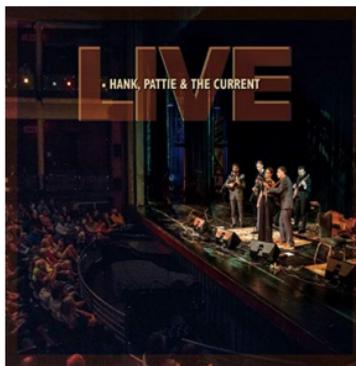
Stephen Wade, *A Storyteller's Story*.



So yes, Stephen Wade is something of an institution among clawhammer banjo fans. Best known for his first-launched in 1979 one-man show, “Banjo Dancing,” he offers here something of a “back story” to that classic stage production.

You get 20 tracks that go for 65 minutes, and the album includes an 11,000-word, 44-page illustrated booklet. Kinda gotta have one o' these, yes. (pxrec.com)

Hank, Pattie & the Current, *Live*.



Here y'go, one solid set of live performances from one solid progressive bluegrass band. This is the kind of music that can't help but make you happy-hoppy-happy. The 13 songs on this live performance CD will put a spark plug in your life and make you glad to be alive. Noteworthy is the fact that, (continued page 8)