

# TOM STAHL AND THE DANGERFIELDS



~Folk Rock Served With A Side Of Sarcasm~

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## ~PRESS KIT INFORMATION~

### BAND MEMBERS:

- o Tom Stahl [vocals & guitar]
- o Mark Stahl [keyboards]
- o Gary Kowalski [drums, percussion]
- o Gary Gorski [bass guitar]

### BIOGRAPHY:

In October of 94' Tom Stahl had back surgery and that forced him to quit his truck-driving career. He had a degree in Communications, but had written a song or two, and with the support of his wife Mary Lou, he decided to continue in that direction. Tom picked up his guitar and turned to music. In early 1995 he went to an open mic at Nietzsche's in Buffalo NY with four original songs. The organizer of the open mic, Michael Meldrum, asked Tom to come back and do a songwriter showcase in March 1995. In the Spring of that same year, he brought his best tunes out on a debut cassette entitled "I Wanna Be Ignorant". Now there's a CD bearing the same name, the same tunes and a generous helping of extra tracks to go with them. The ball started rolling from there. In 1996, Tom came out with his second CD, entitled "The Song Is The Thing". Over the next three years, Tom released two more original CDs entitled "Hang On" and "Shut Up and Smell The Coffee". In 2000, Tom formed the band [originally known as the Tom Stahl Band, now known as Tom Stahl And The Dangerfields] and they immediately began to collaborate and work on their first CD together. The CD was entitled "Nothing", and was released in 2001. In May 2002 they released, "At The Tralf", a set of live recordings from a December 2001 concert. In April 2003, the band released the 7<sup>th</sup> CD entitled, "Most Town". The 8<sup>th</sup> CD followed in December 2006, "King Of The World". Tom as a solo artist and with his band mates, has opened for such acts as Three Dog Night,

Eric Burdon & The Animals, Loverboy, Joan Osborne, America, Don McLean, Poco, Sara Craig, Black 47, Moxy Fruvous, Tom Cochrane, David Wilcox, Dave Mason, Ron Hawkins [Lowest Of The Low], Artimus Pyle [the original drummer for Lynyrd Skynyrd], Blues Legend Buddy Guy, Paul Revere And The Raiders, Leon Russell, Ellis Paul, Martin Sexton, John Sebastian [The Lovin' Spoonful], Vance Gilbert and Loudon Wainwright III. The Dangerfields have been labeled as R&B, folk, rock, pop, rockabilly, and country. Their sound is described as a cross between The Eagles, Bob Dylan, Tom Petty & the Barenaked Ladies.

### DISCOGRAPHY:

- 1995 – "I Wanna Be Ignorant"
- 1996 – "The Song is the Thing"
- 1997 – "Hang On"
- 2000 – "Shut Up and Smell the Coffee"
- 2001 – "Nothing"
- 2002 – "At The Tralf"
- 2003 – "Most Town"
- 2006 – "King Of The World"

### MUSIC VIDEOS:

- 1998 – "It's Christmas Time Again"
- 2003 – "Most Town"

### SOME QUOTES/TESTIMONIALS:

"Tom Stahl & the Dangerfields, an inventive band that never seems to get the attention it deserves".

- Dan Herbeck, **The Buffalo News**

"...“Angels” would be perfect for a country, pop or light vocal radio format. Stahl has provided Buffalo radio with the rare opportunity to break out a national hit from a local record."

- Anthony Violanti, **The Buffalo News**

"Tom Stahl, Master Of The Three-Minute Story... It takes a lot of song for a man with a harmonica, a guitar and his voice alone to fill a stage and keep an audience enthralled for two full sets."

- **The Buffalo News**

"He mixes thoughtful and poignant lyrics with low-key comedy, producing a show that flows like the calm

before and after the storm. He writes jewel-like, masterful folksongs."

- **The Buffalo News**

"His clear tenor conveys a wide range of emotions and takes on a Bob Dylan quality at times... his thoughtful lyrics also at times make a listener think of the prolific writings of Billy Joel..."

- Eileen Hotho, **The Sun**

"Tom Stahl is one of the most recognizable names in Western New York Music."

- **Buffalo Spree**

"Stahl writes some of the wittiest and loveliest songs you'll ever hear, and catchy melodies. Live, he is an engaging performer with a unique vocal delivery. There is nothing typical about Tom Stahl."

- Geoff Kelly, **Artvoice**

"His music is a collage of life. Some humorous, some deeply moving, often chaotic, Stahl has captured the insanity of our existence, and somehow, made us smile."

- Nancy Jo Eckerson, **Buffalo Friends Of Folk Music**

"Tom Stahl is an eclectic singer songwriter and unique performer."

- Bob Silvestri, **Best Of WNY.com**

"I fell immediately in love with the man and his work... He's a genuinely good man with a good heart, and his songs are as good as he is. He can do it all in three minutes."

- Mike Meldrum, **Buffalo Folk Legend**

"Not only is he adept in his craft... but he's got a way of making the songs sound like what they mean. And that's what it's all about."

- Mike Oliver, **Songwriter**

"He makes the connection as a song writer. He's a great storyteller, and there's a genuineness in his story."

- Mike Ryan, **101.1 FM - The River**

### AWARDS:

MOST RECENT AWARDS:

- o "Best Original Keyboardist" – Mark Stahl  
- 2010 **Buffalo Night-Life Music & Club Awards**
- o "Best Original Male Vocalist" - Tom Stahl  
- 2010 **Buffalo Music Awards**

- “Best Original Keyboardist” – Mark Stahl  
- 2010 Buffalo Music Awards
- “Best Original Drummer” - Gary Kowalski  
- 2009 Buffalo Music Awards
- “Best Original Band”  
- 2008 Buffalo Music Awards
- “Best Individual Vocalist” &  
“Best Acoustic Act” – Tom Stahl  
- Artvoice Best Of Buffalo 2007
- “Best Entertainer” – Tom Stahl  
- Artvoice Best Of Buffalo 2006

#### PAST AWARDS:

- “Top Original Acoustic” - Tom Stahl  
- Buffalo Music Awards
- “Outstanding Male Vocalist” - Tom Stahl  
- Artvoice Music Awards
- “Outstanding Acoustic Performer”- Tom Stahl  
- Artvoice Music Awards

#### SCHEDULED APPEARANCES:

- Food Network’s Food Nation With Bobby Flay  
[Featured Band for Buffalo, NY]
- AM Buffalo [Channel 7/ABC Affiliate – Buffalo, NY]
- Off Beat Cinema  
[Channel 7/ABC Affiliate – Buffalo, NY]
- Daybreak [Channel 2/NBC Affiliate – Buffalo, NY]
- 107.7 The Lake Local Music Show
- 88.7 WBFO “Live At Allen Hall”
- WECK 1230 AM “Buffalo Style”
- “Open Tunings with Scott Regan” WXXI 88.5  
Rochester
- Fairgrounds Gaming & Raceway
- Allentown Arts Festival
- Taste Of Buffalo
- Elmwood Avenue Festival Of The Arts
- Great Blue Heron Music Festival
- Dryja Blues Festival
- Williamson Summer Folk Festival
- Kerrville Folk Festival
- Hamburg All-Stars Music Festival
- Curtain Up! Buffalo
- Polar Bites Buffalo Zoo Benefit
- “Wines In The Wild” Buffalo Zoo Benefit
- Movies In The Meadow
- Buffalo Niagara Guitar Festival
- Buffalo Blues Festival

- Buffalo Old Home Week
- Hamburg's Burgerfest
- Buffalo Place’s “Music On The Central Warf”
- Thursday At The Square
- Buffalo Rocks The Harbor
- Buffalo Music Awards
- Buffalo Bisons Friday Night Bash – Concerts On  
The Plaza
- Molson Canal Concert Series
- Tuesday in The Park At Artpark
- Labatt Blue Light Gateway Park Concert Series
- Akron Midday Concert Series
- Burchfield Nature & Art Center Concert Series
- Wellsville’s “Music On The Lawn”
- Village Of Hamburg “Concerts In The Park”
- Cheektowaga’s Dartwood Park Concert Series
- Newfane’s “Wednesday Concerts at The Gazebo”
- Pine Avenue Business Association “Concerts In  
The Park”
- Town Of Boston Tuesday Concert Series
- Town Of Eden “Music On Main Street”
- Village Of East Aurora “Backyard Bash” Concert  
Series
- Village Of Orchard Park “Quaker Arts Pavilion  
Concert Series”
- Town Of Brant “Concerts In The Park”
- Attica Area Chamber Of Commerce “Gazebo In  
The Park Summer Concert Series”
- Wellsville Area Chamber Of Commerce “Main  
Street Music Fest”
- Erie Canal Harbor at Canal Side “4<sup>th</sup> of July  
Celebration”
- Born to Play: Live Acoustic Performances in 700+  
Gap Stores

#### CHARITY WORK/EVENTS:

- Women & Children’s Hospital of Buffalo
- Roswell Park Cancer Institute
- South Buffalo Community Table
- Boys & Girls Club Of East Aurora
- Food Bank of WNY
- Buffalo Bands For The Homeless
- Musicians For WNY
- The Priscilla Project
- Essential Care for Kids Hospice Buffalo

#### BOOKING INFORMATION:

To book Tom Stahl solo or the complete band, call Tim Toepfer at (716) 239-7881 or email [TOMSTAHLBAND@AIM.COM](mailto:TOMSTAHLBAND@AIM.COM)

Tom and/or the band will perform original songs written by Tom Stahl, along with covers of some classics [Dangerfield Style] such as:

- *Last Dance With Mary Jane - Tom Petty*
- *Imagine [Medley] - John Lennon*
- *Ballad Of John & Yoko - The Beatles*
- *While My Guitar Gently Weeps - The Beatles*
- *All Shook Up - Elvis Presley*
- *That’s Alright Mama – Elvis Presley*
- *Folsom Prison Blues - Johnny Cash*
- *Crying - Roy Orbison*
- *Jacqueline - Bobby Helms*
- *Like A Rolling Stone - Bob Dylan*
- *Holly Jolly Christmas - Burl Ives [holiday favorite]*

Tom and/or the band will perform for any length of time requested. If the timeframe requested is for more than one hour, the performance will generally be divided into 2 or 3 sets [this will depend on the length of time Tom and/or the band is booked for that event].

***"IF YOU BOOK THEM, THEY WILL COME..."***

Check out the **Online Press Kit Page** for sample music clips along with videos of various live performances. You can also read feature articles & reviews. This page is located at:

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